



## Staff Report

**Report Title: Clark Creek Municipal Drain Update (2)**

**Prepared By: Emily Dance, Clerk**

**Department: DRAIN**

**Date: Jul. 4, 2022**

**Report Number: DRAIN-2022-07-12**

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**E09 CLA21**

### Attachments:

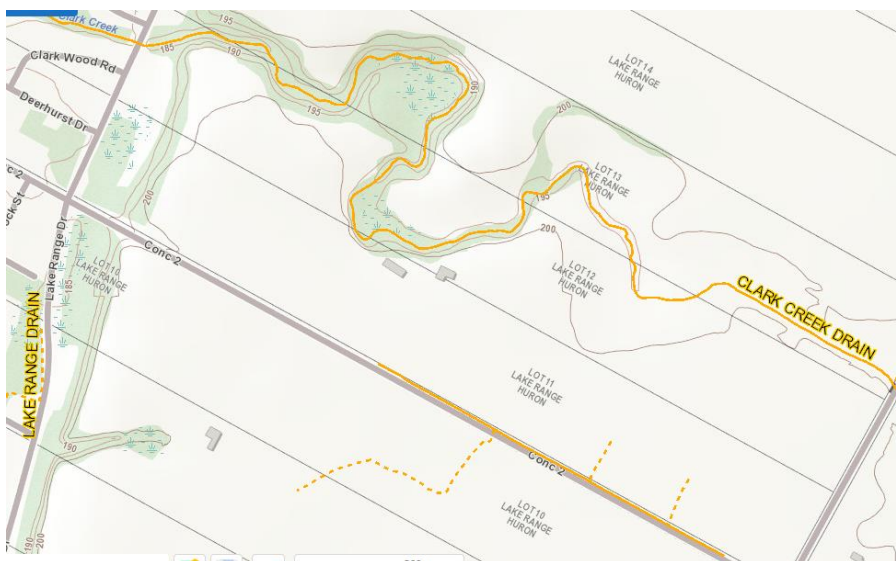
### Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report DRAIN-2022-07-12 prepared by Emily Dance, Clerk

### Background:

On May 18, 2011, Township of Huron-Kinloss appointed K. Smart and Associates by resolution to prepare a report under Section 78 of the Act for an improvement to the Clark Creek Municipal Drain.

The work was initiated as a result of a request by a landowner, Kitt Elmes in 2011 due to concerns with the drainage and loss of land due to erosion and other problems associated with the existing Clark Creek Drain, in Lots 12 & 13, Lake Range.



The original report was submitted on December 21, 2015. After the report was filed, Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) noted concerns with the design, therefore Council referred the report back to the engineer on February 1, 2016.

Following on December 13, 2021 Council approved the Clark Creek Municipal Drain, 2021 report that addressed the concerns of the DFO, the municipality and landowners by proposing a realignment of 275m of the channel, constructing several riffle structures consisting of riffle stones, riprap and vegetated riprap, and the construction of a riprapped laneway crossing with 92m of new laneway.

**Discussion:**

The tender documents were sent out directly to drainage contractors and posted to the municipal website on May 18, 2022 with a closing date of June 14, 2022.

Unfortunately, there were no tenders received for the project.

Upon speaking with the Engineer, this may becoming a trend due to the unknown costs of inflation, fuel prices and contractors being fully booked for the 2022 season.

The Engineer has suggested that the tender be re-issued in the fall with the hopes that the contractors will feel more comfortable booking work for 2023 season. The Engineer will also review the tender documents to see if there are any items that could be amended to encourage tender submissions.

To note as per the Drainage Act, if the tenders are more than 133% of the estimated cost of an adopted S. 78 report, Council is required to hold another meeting with the landowners and the petitioners have a right to add or withdraw their names from the petition.

**Financial Impacts:**

The Township of Huron-Kinloss Roads is assessed at \$16,476.

**Strategic Alignment / Link:**

We are an environmentally conscious community that are good stewards of our natural environment.

**Respectfully Submitted**

Emily Dance, Clerk

**Approved By:**

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer