Request for Decision

United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria Municipal Council

Type of Decision									
Meeting Date	Friday, March 19, 2010				Report Date	Wednesday, March 17, 2010			
Decision Required		Yes	Х	No	Priority	x	High		Low
Direction Only		Information Only		х	Type of Meeting	х	Open		Closed

REPORT TITLE

Clerk's Report - For Information Only 19/03/10/201

- As you know, under the Safe Drinking Water Act we were audited by the RCDBH and have an obligation to install necessary water filters. Upon attempting to locate quotes, one provider completed an analysis of our system and has determined that it requires some significant changes.
 - a. After their initial survey it appears that the line between the hall and garage has a leak that requires correcting.
 - b. Abandoned tank in garage needs to be replaced.
 - c. Dead end piping needs to be corrected.
 - d. Hot water heating system needs to be drained annually.
 - e. Galvanized piping and fittings that are in contravention of the plumbing code need to be replaced.
 - f. Leaking at the pressure tank.
 - g. Distribution lines need to be pressurized to determine where leaks are located.
 - h. Well should be sanitized and retested.
 - i. Filtering systems are required.

There is funding from the Gas Tax program that has been allocated to this program. It seems that our initial estimates will be low. We have contacted another service provider to determine what they determine is required. It has been noted in years past that this process was required. Now, its simply time. A more detailed report with quotes etc. will be provided at a later date. Depending on the quotes received (total expense) we may need to amend our budget. Should quotes fall within parameters as expressed in our by-law; staff will proceed with this process.

Upon learning of the challenges we are facing a request has been made of the RCDBH for an extension which was granted. We now have until May 30, 2010 to complete the required work. Further extensions may be required and will be granted on a month by month basis as we proceed.

- Roads truck has arrived. We will arrange for signage and installation of a new equipment rack ASAP. It was suggested that the light bar remaining after the sale of the fire equipment could have the panels replaced with appropriate colours and used for the roads truck. The smaller single light could then be placed on the disposal site vehicle. (Thank you Ruth)
- 3. Maps and refinishing. We have received some very old framed maps that were being discarded by the Land Registry Office in Pembroke. Upon request we received those that pertained to our municipality. My question to Council, should we keep them as is, or attempt to restore them. Should we proceed to obtain quotes for restoration or is this something that Council feels does not require attention at this point.

- 4. Bear Wise funding application has arrived, due date April 29. Does Council think that it would be a benefit to pursue bear proofed garbage disposal for all area parks & boat launches? There would be a municipal contribution required however; we do have funds marked for recreation within reserves that could be utilized. Total bins required w/b approximately 7. Could provide them for recycling as well.
- 5. Councillor Foote had a question from a ratepayer concerning our placing a Yield sign at the end of Chokecherry Lane where it meets Boudreau Road. Separate report created.
- 6. Bob has confirmed that we will be able to provide, free of charge a demonstration trailer as part of our fire safety education for 2009. The trailer is provided by OFM and is being loaned to LH for a number of weeks. They have agreed to allow us to use it during May Madness to demonstrate the benefits and efficiencies of residential sprinkler systems. It seems that with lobbying, the installation of these systems in new builds will eventually become part of the building code. Until then they are being promoted and encouraged. In our municipality with no residential fire service, promoting installation of these systems is a good decision. Bob is looking into local insurance reactions or reductions in costs due to installation will be on hand that day to answer questions from a building inspector perspective.