

Type of Decision									
Meeting Date	Tuesday, July 24, 2018				Report Date	Monday, July 16, 2018			
Decision Required	X	Yes		No	Priority	X	High		Low
Direction	x	Information Only			Type of Meeting	X	Open	?	Closed
REPORT TITLE - Legal Counsel Review of Council									
Report #24/07/18 - 701									

Subject: Legal Review of Council Relations & Council/Staff Relations

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council adopt the recommendations included in the report from Wishart Law Group and E4M as prepared by Peggy Young-Lovelace and Paul Cassan.

WHEREAS Council has received training and authorized staff to provide documentation to Wishart and E4M for review concerning recent Council and Council/Staff Relations;

AND WHEREAS the municipality has recently contracted with Wishart Law Group for legal services and E4M who have been charged with providing advice to facilitate Council moving forward in a cohesive manner;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria does hereby accept the resulting report and recommendations and direct staff to implement same as soon as possible;

BACKGROUND/EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Ms. Young-Lovelace and Mr. Cassan have met with Council, have discussed the current situation within council and council/staff relations and have reviewed related reports and documents and have promised to have recommendations available to Council for July 24, 2018.

Staff will forward as soon as provided. At this time, it is unknown whether some of the discussion will be in a closed session or not. With elections coming, time is of the essence and it is hoped that some outstanding challenges may be formally resolved to everyone's satisfaction. It is expected that a public report will also be included for circulation.

Options/Discussion:

This process is as per policy. Council may determine whether or not a closed session is required at the meeting. Hopefully with advance notice, this might be decided prior and advertised but if not, Council is within its authority to move to closed at the time.

Approved and Recommended by the Clerk

Melinda Reith, Municipal Clerk

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