

Report to Council

Report Title: Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Risk Management Agreement

Prepared By: Fiona Hamilton, Clerk

Department: Clerk

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Report Number: CLK2020-45

File Number: C11CL

Attachments: Draft Agreement for Risk Management Services

Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number CLK2020-45 - Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Risk Management Agreement, prepared by Fiona Hamilton, Clerk for information purposes and further approves a by-law coming forward renewing the Risk Management Agreement with the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority.

Report:

Background:

According to the Clean Water Act, the Municipality of Brockton is responsible for the enforcement of Source Water Protection Plans. In 2016, Brockton entered into an Agreement with the Grey Sauble Conservation (the "GSCA") appointing the GSCA as Brockton's agent for these enforcement responsibilities as permitted by the Clean Water Act as Brockton is in the Saugeen, Grey Sauble, Northern Bruce Peninsula Source Protection Region. The current Agreement expires January 24, 2021.

Analysis:

Staff are recommending that Brockton enter into a new Risk Management Agreement with the GSCA to ensure proper oversight of the enforcement responsibilities under the Clean Water Act.

The costs associated with the Risk Management Agreement in 2016 were \$30,323.00 per year to be billed on a cost recovery basis. The new agreement is proposing \$6,500.00 per year to be adjusted after the third year to ensure the service is being delivered on a cost recovery basis. The cost is the amount estimated for staffing level resources, screening land-use planning applications and conducting annual inspections and reporting.

It should be noted that this Agreement addresses responsibilities under the Clean Water Act that would not be amended by the legislative changes introduced in Bill 229. Even with those changes, source water protection,

including the ongoing maintenance of the local Source Protection Committee and planned amendments to the Source Protection Plan were still considered a core service of conservation authorities.

Staff are pleased with the arrangement with the GSCA and believe the new Agreement to be fair and reasonable.

Sustainability Checklist:

What aspect of the Brockton Sustainable Strategic Plan does the content/recommendations in this report help advance?

- Do the recommendations help move the Municipality closer to its Vision? Yes
- Do the recommendations contribute to achieving Cultural Vibrancy? Yes
- Do the recommendations contribute to achieving Economic Prosperity? Yes
- Do the recommendations contribute to Environmental Integrity? Yes
- Do the recommendations contribute to the Social Equity? Yes

Financial Impacts/Source of Funding:

- Do the recommendations represent a sound financial investment from a sustainability perspective? Yes

Reviewed By:



Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer

Respectfully Submitted by:



Fiona Hamilton, Clerk

Reviewed By:



Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer