## Regular Meeting of Council for February 3, 2025

#### **Items for Consideration**

#### **Pre-Budget Approval of Fire Department Capital Items**

Through the generous support from a OFM Fire Protection Grant in the amount of \$32,921.80, Stone Mills Fire Dept. are moving forward with purchasing 4 Washer-Extractors and bunker gear items. The initial cost estimate is approximately \$34,000 however, potential tariffs from the United States may impact this figure by up to 25%. Given anticipated tariff changes, staff proposed that the procurement process be expediated by obtaining informal quotes, which maintains competitive pricing and ensuring a timely purchase.

Council provided pre-budget approval to allocate \$59,000 for the 2025 purchase- Staff Report



### **Proposed Road Allowance Closure - 416D County Road 13**

Staff received a request from Fotenn Planning + Design proposing to stop up and close a portion of an unmaintained municipal road allowance at 416D County Road 13. The request is in relation to proposed Consent Applications (B42-2024 & B43-2024). Council directed staff to proceed navigating the necessary approvals related to the lot creations concurrently with stopping up, closing and conveying the portion of unopened, unmaintained municipal road allowance traversing the property known municipally as 416D County Road 13 and Further That to contact the owner of the property immediately west of the lands in question respecting their interest in obtaining the remnant portion of unopened, unmaintained road allowance located between County Road 13 and White Lake. Staff Report

# <u>Update on Actions Taken to Address Funding Challenges for "This Land: A Material Experience"</u>

A <u>Staff Report</u> was presented to Council providing an update addressing the funding challenges incurred by the organizers of "This Land: A Material Experience". Through discussion with the Canadian Urban Institute, staff were able to secure funds through the program's provision to request 25% of the project funding in advance. So far 75% of funds have been received and distributed. This approach respects the contractual obligations of the program and addresses the township's concerns regarding direct financial involvement. The report included items for consideration in relation to future grant funding assistance to applicants to ensure alignment with community goals and township resources.

### Flynn Bridge Replacement

An Ontario Structure Inspection Manual (OSIM) inspection was conducted in 2024 of the Tweed Road Bridge (aka Flynn Bridge) which concluded the bridge has reached the end of its service life. Council received a <u>Staff Report</u> requesting a pre-budget consideration in the sum of \$441,175.00 to cover the cost of a pre-fabricated modular bridge, associated engineering, installation cost of the new bridge, inspection and materials. Delaying until budget approval could disrupt in-water work, which is only permitted from July 15 to September 15 by the Ministry of Natural Resources. Council provided pre-budget approval for this purchase.

## **Consent Agenda Items**

The following items were received under the Consent Agenda.

- Minutes of the January 20, 2025 Council meeting
- City of Toronto Resolution re <u>Declaring Toronto a Paid-Plasma Free Zone</u>
- Town of Kearney Resolution re <u>ARU's</u> and <u>Rural Municipalities</u>
- Town of Halton Hills Resolution re Sovereignty of Canada

## **Notice of Motion**

Council member provided a Notice of Motion to be included on the Feb 3, 2025 Council Agenda. The following direction was provided to staff by Council "That staff be directed to bring a report back to Council with options for installing a bench and plaque honouring Richard Doyle in the Newburgh Conservation Park".

## **Bylaws**

Council passed By-Law No. 2025-1292 - Confirm Proceedings of Council

The complete By-laws as presented and approved are available on the February 3rd Council Agenda

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