Township of South Stormont

ACTION REQUEST Finance Department



To: Council

From: Cindy Delgreco, Director of Finance/Treasurer

Date of Meeting: May 10, 2023

Subject: By-law No. 2023-035 Authorize an Application to the

Ontario Infrastructure and Lands Corporation

Recommendation:

That By-law No. 2023-035, being a by-law to authorize the submission of an application to the Ontario Infrastructure and Lands Corporation (OILC) for;

(1) Fire Pumper Tanker Truck; and

(2) 2022 Capital Bridge Reconstruction Work

be read and passed in open Council this 10th day of May 2023.

Background:

(1) South Stormont Fire and Rescue Pumper Truck

South Stormont Fire and Rescue had 3 pump trucks that were over 20 years old. The tanker shuttle accreditation required their replacements in 2020 and losing the shuttle accreditation would increase home insurance rates up to 20% for residents.

Staff recommended replacing one pump truck per year for 3 years to maintain the accreditation (2020, 2021, 2022). Due to Covid-19 this schedule was not able to be met. The first truck was proposed and approved in the 2020 budget and was received in 2021. This report explains the necessary by-law to implement the debenture process for the second pumper tanker for Station 4.

The 2022 budget for the second replacement truck was \$580,000. The price for the original truck build was estimated in October of 2021 at \$568 942.00 (net cost \$578,955.38). Change order as of October 2022 for \$28,447.10 brought the build price to \$597,389.10 (net cost \$607,903.15). This change order included changes to the original build and 50% of the changes in cost of materials since the original agreement was made. The proponent covered the remaining 50% increase in cost. The debenture options were reviewed for the truck and a loan through OILC is advised to be the best option as the loan term extends to 20 years and has a locked in interest rate.

The last confirmed current interest rate for a debenture of this term and amount through OILC was 4.26%; subject to current market conditions until final documents are authorized and signed. Based on these conditions, the estimated interest for this debenture, over a 20-year term paid monthly, is \$616,128 with blended payments of \$7,834 monthly.

(2) 2022 Capital Bridge Reconstruction Work

The approved 2022 budget outlined capital projects for bridge reconstruction (\$750,000) that would be financed through a debenture. The capital projects were completed and now require financing of \$656,000 for the completed projects.

Infrastructure Ontario will require additional paperwork to complete the financing at which time the final debenture amount, debenture rate and payment schedule will be confirmed.

Options:

- That Council authorizes the submission of the applications to the Ontario
 Infrastructure and Lands Corporation for the pumper tanker truck and the
 bridge reconstruction work.
- 2. Other.

Financial Impact:

This debenture will increase South Stormont debt by \$1,264,000 and the estimated interest of \$616,128 will be expensed for the next 20 years.

Others Consulted:

Director of Protection of Persons & Property/Fire Chief

Ontario Infrastructure and Lands Corporation