



TOWN OF MINTO

MEETING DATE: May 7, 2024
REPORT TO: Mayor and Council
SERVICE AREA: Public Works
SUBJECT: PW 2024-014 - Boundary Road Agreement – West Grey

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT Council of the Town of Minto receives report PW 2024-014 regarding Boundary Road Agreement – West Grey and considers approving a By-law in regular session authorizing the Mayor and Clerk of the Town of Minto to sign the Agreement.

BACKGROUND

Currently the boundary road agreement between Minto and West Grey has expired. The boundary agreement allows for maintenance of any highway and/or bridge forming the boundary between the municipalities and summarizes responsibilities of each municipality for routine maintenance, level of service and a procedure for capital projects.

COMMENTS:

Historically there has been a Boundary Road Agreement (BRA) between the Municipality of West Grey and the Town of Minto dating back to pre-amalgamation. The BRA has not changed fundamentally and works well for both parties, with no changes required other than to update the term. Key considerations of the BRA are winter maintenance activities; procedures for responding to winter events outside of normal winter control season (before November and after April); responsibility for drainage, ditching, storm drains, potholes, cracks, shoulder gravelling; and routine patrolling, all in accordance with the Ontario Regulation for Minimum Maintenance Standards. Further, there is a section in the agreement dedicated to capital costs which speaks to cost sharing and lays out a notification/communication procedure for one municipality to communicate with the other municipality on projected expenses.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

There is no direct financial impact associated with this report. The cost for winter control operations and routine maintenance is a part of the general operating budget. Capital projects are brought forward during the budgeting process for council consideration.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

Goal 5: Responsible Government

Deliver services in an open, accountable, and transparent manner while providing an outstanding working environment for our employees and community.

PREPARED BY: Mike Mclsaac, Roads and Drainage Manager

RECOMMENDED BY: Chris Harrow, Interim Chief Administrative Officer

Attachment: Boundary Road Agreement