



TOWN OF MINTO

MEETING DATE: September 3, 2024
REPORT TO: Mayor and Council
SERVICE AREA: Finance
SUBJECT: FIN 2024-013 - Application for Tile Drain Loan
Hale, Lawrence E.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT the Council of the Town of Minto hereby receives report FIN 2024-013 – Application for Tile Drain Loan – Hale, Lawrence E., prepared by the Deputy Treasurer/ Revenue Coordinator, for information purposes,

AND FURTHER THAT the Council of the Town of Minto approves the application for a Tile Drain Loan, as outlined under The Tile Drainage Act.

BACKGROUND:

Under Section 3 of The Tile Drainage Act the owner of agricultural land submits a tile drain loan application to the Clerk before the tile work has commenced requesting 75% of the costs of the work to be debentured over 10 years. Council either rejects or approves the application, subject to the availability of funds and any other conditions Council sees fit to prescribe. Under Section 4 of The Tile Drainage Act the municipal tile inspector examines work and files an Inspection and Completion Certificate along with a sketch of the work, completes a Rating By-law for Council to approve before the loan is sent to Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs for their approval then forwarded to the Province of Ontario.

COMMENTS:

Council of the Town of Minto has the authority to approve or decline the application. Town staff have reviewed the application in question, made an on-site visit to the property, and believe that all aspects of the application are in order.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

The Town of Minto is contingently liable should the landowner default on their payments to the Province of Ontario. However, the loan payments are collected in a similar manner to property taxes with all the collection tools applicable to outstanding taxes.

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: Tawnya Robertson, Deputy Treasurer/Revenue Coordinator

REVIEWED BY: Gordon Duff, Treasurer

RECOMMENDED BY: Gregg Furtney, Chief Administrative Officer

Attachment - Application for Loan