

**TOWN OF MINTO** 

DATE: August 15, 2017 REPORT TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Belinda Wick-Graham, Business & Economic Manager

SUBJECT: Signage Grant – Leonard's General Store

### STRATEGIC PLAN

9.1 Provide grants for businesses that improve the building facades, address structural improvements, and promote re-use and redevelopment of existing buildings where architectural and heritage features are maintained.

### **BACKGROUND**

The Signage Grant Program was initiated in 2009 and continues in 2017 with \$3,000 available in signage grants on a first-come, first-serve basis.

### **COMMENTS:**

The signage at Leonard's General Store was replaced in an effort to beautify the building prior to the Clifford 150<sup>th</sup> Community Anniversary and Homecoming. The new signage includes two oval façade signs, a 4 X 4 sidewall sign, a 4 X 8 sidewall sign and three perpendicular faces.

The Clifford Downtown Revitalization Committee has reviewed the application via email and is in support of the proposal.

# FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The total cost of the eligible signs is \$2,390. This project would qualify for 50% matching funds and therefore would be eligible to receive the maximum \$1,000. In 2017, three signage grants for a maximum of \$1,000 have been approved. Two of the approved signs have not been completed yet. \$18,200 remains in the Community Improvement Plan Grant Program with one in-take left for our Structural Funds in September.

# RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the August 15, 2017 report from the Business & Economic Manager regarding Signage Improvement Grant Application #C06 and approves a \$1,000 grant for property located at 38 Elora St. N. Clifford (Leonard's General Store).

Belinda Wick-Graham Business & Economic Manager

EXISTING SIGNAGE - 38 Elora St. N. Clifford









