



WEST HANTS REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY REPORT

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To: West Hants Regional Municipal Council

Submitted by: Kevin Bennett, Manager Parks & Recreation Facilities

Date: January 28, 2025

Subject: **Tender Award – WHRMCD24-11 RFP Trail Maintenance Work**

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

Municipal Government Act, Section 65, Powers to expend funds for a municipal purpose.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approves the award of tender WHRMCD24-11 RFP to Meehan's Garage and Trucking Ltd Equipment for work listed in the RFP in the amount of \$128,945.00 plus applicable taxes and 5% contingency.

BACKGROUND

Property ☒	Public Opinion ☐	Environment ☐	Social ☒	Economic ☒	Councillor Activity ☐
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Tenders were called on the Provincial Procurement site and closed on November 21, 2024.

Included in the 2024-25 West Hants Regional Municipality Capital Budget, Council approved Recreation Property – Active Transportation and Community Trail Opportunities \$250,000.

DISCUSSION

Of the 2024/25 Capital funds approved staff are requesting the funds be re-allocated to upgrades and reconstruction to the section of the former rail line corridor between the Station Road and Hwy 236 and between Hwy 236 and the Little River Bridge. The repairs to this section of the trail

will allow us to continue with the future installation of the Little River Bridge as well and continue the overall improvements to the trail system.

Repairs to the trail include grubbing / mulching, culvert replacement, materials, ditching, resurfacing and concrete pads for benches and garbage cans.

Nine proponents responded to the public tender, as follows:

WHRMCD24-11 RFP Trail Maintenance Work				
Vendor	Item	Purchase Price	Total Value (including applicable taxes)	Average Score
Meehan's Garage	Trail work	\$128,945.00	\$134,476.74	96.33
Vater's Excavating Ltd	Trail work	\$143,368.00	\$149,518.48	95.67
Axeman Construction	Trail work	\$197,250.00	\$205,712.02	90.67
RNS Landscaping	Trail work	\$185,800.00	\$193,770.82	89.33
Total One Contracting	Trail work	\$284,000.00	\$296,183.60	72.33
B. Lynch Contracting	Trail work	\$303,941.00	\$316,980.06	74.33
United Structures Ltd	Trail Work	\$427,000.00	\$445,318.30	74.33
Nichols Group	Trail work	\$239,500.00	\$249,774.55	72.00
Gloade Construction	Trail work	\$427,416.78	\$445,752.96	74.33

The tender was reviewed by Community Development Staff to confirm compliance with the requested specifications and that it would meet our requirements.

Staff are recommending the tender award of \$128,945.00 plus applicable taxes to execute trail maintenance/upgrades to Meehan's Garage and Trucking Ltd.

NEXT STEPS

If approved, staff will proceed with this work.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Tendering Timeline:

Posted to Procurement	November 8, 2024
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Closing Date	November 21, 2024
Price Expiry Date	Not noted

2024-25 Capital Budget - Recreation Property - Active Transportation & Community Trail Opportunities

Meehan's Garage and Trucking	
Tender Pricing	\$128,945.00
Non-Recoverable Tax (4.29%)	\$5,531.74
Contingency (5%)	\$6,723.83
Tender Total	\$141,200.57
Total Project Cost	\$141,200.57
2024-25 Budget Value	\$250,000.00
Less: Bridge Grant	(\$100,000.00)
Remaining within budget	\$8,799.43

A total of \$250,000 was approved in the 2024-25 Capital Budget for bridge, trail and culvert repairs to the rail trail. \$100,000 of the budget was allocated to the bridge through grants from the province. Staff have completed the design work for the bridge, but due to unforeseen challenges staff were unable to complete the bridge project in this fiscal year. The province has granted an extension on any remaining funding.

The remaining budget of \$150,000 was for trail and culvert work, which was to be funded through the Sustainability Services Growth Funding (SSGF). This funding needs to be used by March 31, 2025. With this portion of the project coming in under budget it will free up additional SSGF for other eligible projects.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Council may choose not to proceed this this work.

ATTACHMENTS

None

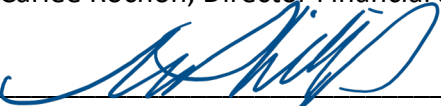
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REVIEW

I support the recommendation.

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Report Reviewed by: _____
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Report Reviewed by: _____
Carlee Rochon, Director Financial Services

Report Approved by:  _____
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