

June 24, 2010



## City Council Committee Report

**To: Mayor & Council**

**Fr: Richard Perchuk, Manager of Operations  
Michael Mostow, Solid Waste & Fleet Supervisor**

**Re: Transport Truck Funding**

### **Recommendation:**

**That** Council hereby authorizes an additional budget request in the amount of \$80,000 for the purchase of a Transport truck for the haulage of recyclable materials by the City of Kenora to Manitoba; and,

**That** Council hereby authorizes the additional request to be funded through the reallocation of \$80,000 from the Solid Waste Capital Reserves; and

**That** in accordance with Notice By-law Number 144-2007, public notice is hereby given that Council intends to amend its 2010 Solid Waste Capital Budget at its July 12, 2010 meeting; and,

**That** Council hereby gives three readings to a by-law to amend the budgets for this purpose; and

**That** Council give three readings to a by-law to enter into an agreement with the City of Dryden to provide payment to the City of Kenora for the haulage of their recycle material to Winnipeg as required; and further

**That** Council of the City of Kenora give three readings to a bylaw to execute an agreement with Waste Diversion Ontario (WDO) and Stewardship Ontario for funding under the Continuous Improvement Fund (CIF) in the amount of \$80,000 representing provincial contributions under the Blue Box Program Plan for the purchase and installation of a tractor unit.

### **Background:**

The City of Kenora Transfer Station's recycle material has been hauled to Metro Recycling in Winnipeg, Manitoba by Gardwine Trucking since 2000. Gardwine previously hauled household garbage to Brady Landfill Site in Winnipeg, Manitoba with a fleet of four trailers. Since November 2009 Gardwine has hauled household garbage to the City of Kenora Jones Road Landfill site.

As a result of the changes Gardwine has reduced the number of trailers on site for the City of Kenora to two because of the reduced trips to Manitoba. This

makes planning the loads and moving material a major challenge for the department. The City of Kenora is currently operating on an extension to the original contract with Gardwine. With the reduced trips to Manitoba Gardwine has indicated that a new contract is required and the rates would increase, due to the reduced trips to Manitoba.

Late in 2008 the Continuous Improvement Fund (CIF) fund sponsored a Blue Box Recycling assessment. One of the recommendations from the report was to investigate a more cost effective means of handling and shipping our recycle materials to Manitoba. Last fall the Solid Waste department applied to the CIF for funding to redesign the recycle building and install a self packing trailer. Since then the city has been approved for 50% funding (\$248,000.00) on the project which is now well under way. This will be a long overdue improvement to the handling of recycle material on site.

The next recommendation was for the City of Kenora to look at reducing haulage costs by working with the City of Dryden. It is proposed that a second self compacting trailer be located in Dryden, identical to the one Kenora. Kenora would purchase and operate a new Transport truck to tow the recycle trailers to Winnipeg. The City of Kenora would also enter into an agreement with Dryden to haul their trailer to Winnipeg as required. With the two identical trailers, the City of Kenora would operate the trailers in rotation and invoice Dryden for haulage of their recycle materials. The City transports an average of three loads of recycle materials per week and Dryden averages one per week. Based on the present operating cost for the City of Kenora and Dryden it is estimated the City of Kenora would reduce its handling cost by \$35,000.00 per year and Dryden will see a cost saving of \$25,000.00 per year.

If this recommendation were to go forward an additional staff member will be required. This cost was included in the costing and the haulage agreement will have to be prepared between Dryden and Kenora. Having a dedicated Transport truck and trailer will give the city more control over when loads are shipped, and the handling of materials as they come on site. The renovations at the Transfer Site and the new trailer purchase should be completed by August

Dryden's portion of the agreement allows funding for 50% funding for the purchase of a new trailer, Kenora would receives 50% for the purchase of a Transport truck to pull the trailers. The CIF project has allowed for the purchase of the Transport truck at 50% of up to \$160,000.00.

**Budget:** Solid Waste Reserves

**Communication Plan/Notice By-law Requirements:**

Resolution & By-law required.

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