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Staff Report CL2020-008

Title of Report:CL2020-008 - Request to Purchase Road AllowanceDepartment:ClerksBranch:NoneCouncil Date:March 4, 2020

Recommendation:

Be it resolved that Council receive Staff Report CL2020-008 for information; and **That** Council direct staff to proceed with **Option** _____ as outlined in this report.

Background:

On February 17, 2020, staff received correspondence from Mr. Mahlon Weber who expressed interest in purchasing road allowance from the Township so he can move his existing lane way onto the road allowance that runs on the East side of his property along Provincial Highway 89 in the former Egremont Township.



Mr. Weber has spoken to the Township Planner who in consultation with the Public Works Manager advised that the Township does not normally allow lane ways in unopened road allowances and the Township does not generally sell road allowances. Staff explained that Council would need to declare the land as surplus and follow the proper surplus land sale procedure if Council wishes to sell the land. Staff advised Mr. Weber to make a written request to Council expressing interest in purchasing the road allowance for their consideration. Mr. Weber's written request is included in this report as Attachment #1.

Staff Comments:

As this request is in the preliminary stages, and further information would need to be brought forward for Council to make an informed decision, the following are options for Council to consider at this time:

Option 1: Council does not proceed with the request and directs staff to send correspondence to Mr. Weber informing him of Council's decision to not sell the road allowance.

Option 2: Council directs staff to bring back a report outlining related future use, restrictions, and/or any Planning implications on the subject lands and outline the appropriate process to declare the lands as surplus if Council decides to sell the road allowance.

Financial Implications:

There is no financial impact to the municipality as a result of this report. If Council proceeds to sell the road allowance the resulting sale of the property would generate revenue for the Township.

Communications & Community Action Plan Impact:

This report has been written and presented to Council to communicate accurate information to the public.

Concluding Comments:

That Council direct staff to proceed with Option 1 or Option 2 as outlined in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

Dept. Head: Original Signed By Lindsey Green, Acting Clerk

CAO Approval: Original Signed By
Dave Milliner, CAO

Attachment #1 - Correspondence recevied from Mr. Weber