



## **Staff Report PW2020-023**

**Title of Report:** PW2020-023 Department Report  
**Department:** Public Works  
**Branch:** None  
**Council Date:** April 15, 2020

**Recommendation:**

**Be it resolved that** Council receive Staff Report PW2020-023 for information.

**Background:**

Public Works Department update.

**Staff Comments:**

**Transportation and Public Safety:**

1. The new Trackless Municipal Tractor with attachments was received on March 18, 2020, purchased in the 2020 Capital Budget.
2. Roads crews have had to replace 2 road crossing culverts due to failure and closed these sections of road for the day for the works.
3. Southgate Sideroad 57 between Southgate Roads 08 and 10 has been closed due to soft road conditions with the frost coming out.

**Waste Resources and Diversion Management:**

1. Staff received correspondence from Green For Life Environmental (GFL) on March 9, 2020 (attachment #1). The letter advises with the rapid decline of oil commodity prices that is impacting the collection, processing and handling of waste oil collection, that GFL will now be charging \$0.08/litre and a minimum stop fee of \$75.00 plus taxes for used waste oil collection pick-up. In the past used waste oil has been collected by GFL at no cost to Southgate.
2. The transfer stations will not be accepting Municipal Hazardous and Special Wastes until further notice, so that staff do not have to handle materials with close contact points due to COVID 19 concerns. Some of these materials include Orange Drop, paint, chemicals, electronic wastes, batteries, oil and antifreeze.
3. In a continued effort to help stop the spread of COVID-19 and further protection for our First Responders, as of April 6, 2020 the access points for Wilder Lake on the East side of the lake (Lake Road) and West side of the lake (past Homestead Resort) are closed for public access, until further notice.
4. As of Thursday April 9, 2020, the Dundalk Transfer Station will be open from 10am to 3pm, and will continue to be open on Thursday's as well until further

notice to help alleviate steady volumes of materials being received and to assist with reducing and dispersing resident traffic and contact for physical distancing for everyone's protection.

**Financial Implications:**

The GFL requirement for payment for used waste oil collection in 2019 would have resulted in 10,090 litres of oil at \$0.08/ litre = \$807.20 and there were 6 pick-ups at \$75.00/ shipment resulting in a total of \$1,257.20, therefore the 2020 waste and recycling operations budget could be impacted by \$1,300.00 that has not been allocated.

The Dundalk Transfer Station opening for Thursday's with staff time and trucking costs could be approximately \$950.00 per opening, if volumes are same.

**Communications & Community Action Plan Impact:**

Goal 5 - Upgrading our "Hard Services"

**Strategic Initiatives:**

**5-B** - The Township will have adopted a long-term asset management plan for the timely repair, replacement, and expansion of the Township's infrastructure, facilities, and other assets.

**Concluding Comments:**

Staff recommends that Council receive Staff Report PW2020-023 for information.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Dept. Head:** *Original Signed By*  
Jim Ellis, Public Works Manager

**Treasurer Approval:** *Original Signed By*  
William Gott, CPA, CA Treasurer

**CAO Approval:** *Original Signed By*  
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**Attachments:**

Attachment #1 – GFL Letter Dated March 9, 2020