

STAFF REPORT

Department: Environmental Services and special Projects

Date: March 11, 2025

Item: Household Hazardous Waste Day

Recommendation: Be It Resolved That: The contract to provide Household Hazardous Waste Services for an Event Day be awarded to GFL.

Background:

- Every year, the municipality partners with Sables-Spanish Rivers, Nairn-Hyman, Balwin and the communities in the Rainbow Service Board to host a Household Hazardous Waste Day. Residential households, not commercial, can dispose of hazardous waste they have accumulated that cannot be disposed of at a landfill.
- This year's event is scheduled for April 26th, 2025.
- An RFQ was sent to 5 service providers, staff had correspondence with 4 of them with only one firm responding to the RFQ.
- GFL is holding last year's pricing for the event, however actual event costs are determined by the quantity of waste collected. The contract event is expected to cost approximately \$52,000 (excluding HST).

The cost of the event is offset from revenues received from the various producer responsibility organizations (PRO) responsible for the disposal of the waste. Total revenue received in 2024 was \$15,450 from the PRO's. This value is lower than the \$24,000 that was received in 2023. The 2024 event had lower participation as compared to other years and weather was likely a contributing factor.

The remaining cost which includes PWD labour and advertising is split with the participating municipalities. The split is percentage by participating households. On average the municipality is around +/-70% of the cost. The municipalities net cost for 2024 was \$33,275

The 2024 cost to the municipality \$33,275.

**Analysis:**

- This is a very important service for the residents of the community and surrounding participating municipalities. The waste that is collected at these events is waste that cannot go to landfill. Residents need a place/event to responsibly dispose of this type of waste.
- The municipality has a long history of working with GFL, the events are run well.
- Due to the lower than average turn out in 2024, Staff anticipates greater participation and increased tonnage for 2025. With increased participation, the municipal portion could be starting around \$20,000, should participation levels and tonnages mirror 2024 our cost is estimated at +/- \$33,000.

Existing Policy: Procurement of Goods Policy F17-01325

Strategic Goal: Town Government

Financial Commitment: Depending on participation and quantities collected cost is expected to range from \$20,000 to \$33,000

Budgeted: **Yes** ☒ **No** ☐

Implementation: Upon Council Approval

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Approval of Recommendation: **Yes**☒ **No**☐

Comments: