



Village of Merrickville Wolford

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Re: Award Brushing Tender

The Committee of the Whole of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford, at its meeting on April 14, 2025, passed the following motion regarding the Public Works Report: Award Brushing Tender:

Moved by: Councillor Maitland
Seconded by: Mayor Cameron

THAT the Committee of the Whole receive this report for information;

AND THAT the Committee directs staff to bring the final request to award the Brushing Tender in two parts as:

Part 1; Award Pioneer (from Boundary / Bolton to Snowdons Drive East) to Tarstone Contracting, and

Part 2; Award Pioneer (from Snowdons Drive East to Snowdons Corners Road and to Land O Nod) to Tackaberry

to the April 28th Regular Council Meeting.
Carried.

Report to Committee of the Whole

Date: 4/14/2025
From: Chad Kean, Manager of Public Works
Re: Award Brushing Tender

RECOMMENDATION

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BACKGROUND

The PW Department created a tender for ditching requirements for various roads throughout the municipality. The 2025 tender was created with an hourly brushing rate (for various rods) and a km cost for selected roads.

The 2025 tender was created with a selection of roads that require brushing:

- Bolton
- Pioneer
- Corktown
- Various as required

The 2025 budget allocated \$20,000 for brushing operations.

ANALYSIS

The importance of undertaking brushing along the Municipality's roads is vital in order to assist with adequate sightlines, thawing the road surface in the spring, assisting with natural sun melting of snow trace, reducing damage to plow trucks and the travelling public (trailers, large loads).

This therefore decreases maintenance as well as increases the efficiency of the road by avoiding stream erosion on the shoulders and surface of gravel roads, as well as reduces the possibility of washouts.

A tender was created and posted on Biddngo and the Township website on February 26 and closed March 28, 2025.

Following the closing of the tender (PW-2025-05), 2 contractors submitted quotations for the various road segments that were outlined in the tender.

Currently this operation is contracted out, however staff are planning to present further options / discussion points for Council's consideration.

BUDGET/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The 2025 Budget allocated \$20,000 toward Ditching Operations throughout the Township.

Of the two bids received, PW Staff recommend awarding the tender as follows:

Pioneer – Boundary / Bolton to Snowdons Drive East

- Award to Tarstone Contracting

Pioneer – Snowdons Drive East to Snowdons Corners Road

- Award to Tackaberry

Pioneer – Snowdons Corners Road to Land O Nod

- Award to Tackaberry

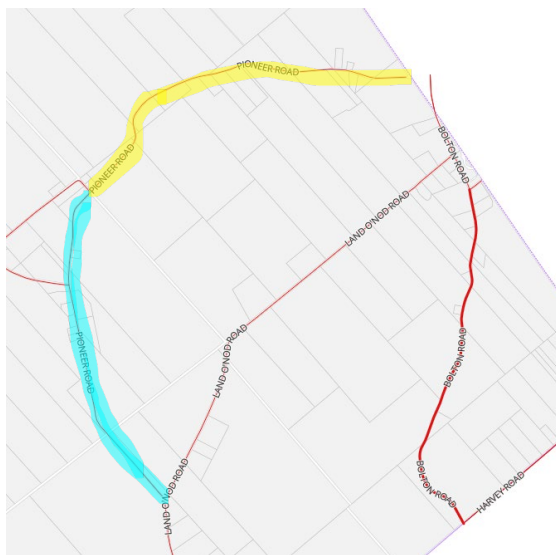
The above brushing scope totals \$19,304 (excluding HST)

Corktown (intermittent – hourly rate)

- Award to Tarstopne if budget permits

Various (hourly rate)

- Award to Tarstone if budget permits



In order to maintain within the budgeted amount for the specific brushing operations, Public Works staff would be responsible for determining the required roads for ditching and to track the ongoing lengths (km) or hourly rate(s) for appropriate reconciliation.

CONCLUSION

It is staff's recommendation to award the brushing in 2 parts as:

Part 1; Award Pioneer (from Boundary / Bolton to Snowdons Drive East) to Tarstone Contracting, and

Part 2; Award Pioneer (from Snowdons Drive East to Snowdons Corners Road and to Land O Nod) to Tackaberry

OTHERS CONSULTED

Public Works Staff

ATTACHMENTS

N/A

Submitted by:

Chad Kean, Manager of Public Works

Approved by:

Darlene Plumley, CAO