

FORMAL REPORT

To: Mayor Strathdee and Members of Council

Prepared by: Dave Blake, Environmental Services Supervisor

Date of Meeting: 25 July 2017

Subject: PW 39-2017 Waste Collection Services Contract with

Bluewater Recycling

PURPOSE

This report presents information to Council regarding solid waste curbside collection services within the Town of St. Marys. This report provides information related to the current understanding of services and proposed Agreement for services with Bluewater Recycling Association (BRA).

RECOMMENDATION

That PW 39-2017 Waste Collection Services Contract report be received as information; and,

THAT Council approve By-Law 62-2016 authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to sign the Solid Waste Curbside Collection Agreement with Bluewater Recycling Association in substantially the same form as the draft presented.

BACKGROUND

In circa 2012, the Town of St. Marys completed a significant change in the way that the municipal solid waste was collected at curbside. Historically, the Town of St. Marys administered and collected the material via municipal forces. In July 2012, the Town retained the services of Bluewater Recycling Association (BRA) to continue curbside collection services on an interim basis until a long term solution could be achieved.

On June 26, 2012, By-Law 44-2012 was approved which authorized the CAO to contract Bluewater Recycling Association for co-collection services, which includes waste collection.

Although the above noted By-Law was approved, an Agreement was never executed with BRA for waste collection services.

This report aims to complete a housekeeping item by presenting a By-Law for consideration by Council as well as presenting an Agreement for solid waste collection services for consideration.

REPORT

The Town has utilized waste collection services from BRA since mid-2012 to provide curbside waste collection to municipal properties. As part of the program, the Town has adopted the automated service from BRA which includes the use of wheelie bin containers for residents. Each property under the program received a wheelie bin in 2012 from BRA which remains the property of the Association.

The execution of the Agreement (attached) would formalize the existing service provided to the Town by BRA through to 2022.

SUMMARY

Based on the information detailed within this report, Staff recommends that Council approve By-Law 62 of 2017 authorizing an Agreement between the Town of St. Marys and Bluewater Recycling Association for the residential curbside collection of solid waste from within the Town of St. Marys. The execution of such an Agreement will solidify the current understanding of services adopted in 2012 by the Town.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The proposed Agreement with BRA for curbside collection services will have the following financial implications:

- \$34.85 / wheelie bin with 2,692 bins currently in use within the Town for a total solid waste collection cost of approximately \$93,816.20 per year.
- The annual cost would increase based on annual CPI increases as well as number of extra bins added to collection routes each year.

The above noted financial implications have been incurred by the Town of St. Marys since circa 2012 when BRA was retained by the then Chief Administrative Officer / Clerk for curbside collection services.

The Town currently administers a full user-pay model for water collection. Waste collection costs are currently recouped via annual charges administered on municipal tax bills.

OTHERS CONSULTED

Jed Kelly - Director of Public Works, Town of St. Marys

Francis Veilleux - President, Bluewater Recycling Association

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment No. 1: Draft Agreement for Solid Waste Collection Services

REVIEWED BY

Recommended by the Department

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CAO / Clerk