

**STAFF REPORT:           ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**



**REPORT TO:**           Engineering & Public Works Committee  
**MEETING DATE:**       August 26, 2008  
**REPORT NO.:**         EPW.08.96  
**SUBJECT:**            Award of Tender (TBM-RD-2008-11), Loading and Hauling of Snow  
**PREPARED BY:**       Jim McCannell, Manager of Roads and Drainage

**A. Recommendation**

THAT Council approve the award of Contract TBM-RD-2008-11 to Arnott Construction Ltd. in the amount of \$349.50 per hour for the loading and hauling for snow during removal operations, excluding GST for a total estimated cost of \$69,900, as outlined in Report EPW.08.96 and;

THAT the Mayor and the Clerk be authorized to execute the Contract Documents for Contract No. TBM-RD-2008-11.

**B. Background**

From time to time throughout the Town snow accumulates to the point that removal is necessary for the safety and convenience of road and parking lot users. Annually the Town retains a Contractor to undertake this work under the direction of the Manager of Roads and Drainage.

The Town issued a tender call for the loading and hauling of snow and received tenders for Contract TBM-RD-2008-11. The following table summarizes the tender prices received:

<b>CONTRACTOR</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Hourly Rate</b>	<b># of Hours</b>	<b>TOTAL Estimated Cost</b>
Arnott Construction Ltd.	Loading/Hauling for Snow Removal Operations	\$349.50	200	\$69,900
	<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$69,900</b>
Zwart's Topsoil & Landscape Supplies	Loading/Hauling for Snow Removal Operations	\$305.00	200	\$61,000
	<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$61,000</b>

Please note: Tender Prices are excluding GST, and total number of hours based on 2005 / 2006 winter maintenance season.

Zwart's Topsoil submitted an incomplete tender submission and based upon the recommendation of the Finance Department, this tender was disqualified. In addition to the incomplete submission, the bidder also qualified their bid by claiming the need to charge extra for traffic control and traffic protection. This bidder was contacted to discuss and explain the

decision. This contract is only a one year contract. Staff will explore other options in the future for this type of work.

It is recommended that Contract TBM-RD-2008-11 Loading and Hauling of Snow as tendered be awarded to Arnott Construction Ltd. who had the lowest price meeting all the requirements of the contract documents and has demonstrated a satisfactory construction schedule.

### **C. The Blue Mountains' Strategic Plan**

Contact TBM-RD-2008-11 addresses the Town's Strategic Plan #2, "Addressing the Town's municipal infrastructure needs".

### **D. Environmental Impacts**

The equipment needed to load and haul snow requires significant volumes of diesel fuel. The Contract will be asked to participate in the Town's no idling program.

Starting this winter snow will be hauled to the Tomahawk site at the request of the Director of Parks and Recreation. The snow will be piled and used for tobogganing and sliding. This will be on a trial bases.

### **E Budget Impact**

There is sufficient funding in the 2008 Roads & Drainage Operational Budget to accommodate loading and Hauling of Snow described in Tender TBM-RD-2008-11. Works preformed after January 1, 2009 will be paid from the proposed 2009 Budget. The proposed 2009 Budget has \$347,500 for contract services including Snowplowing, (street, sidewalk and parking lots) street sweeping, line painting and catch basin cleaning and loading and hauling of Snow.

### **F. Attached**

None.

Respectfully submitted,

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