

Staff Report to Council - for Direction

Title: Agreement with Town of South Bruce Peninsula - Sauble Beach

Paramedic Station

From: Lynn Hatten, Acting Director of Corporate Services

Date: April 4, 2024

Staff Recommendation:

That a by-law be introduced authorizing the Warden and Clerk to execute the Town of South Bruce Peninsula's Municipal Capital Facility Agreement for the Sauble Beach Paramedic Station.

Report Summary:

The County of Bruce leases space from the Town of South Bruce Peninsula for the Paramedic Station located 672 Main Street, Sauble Beach. In 2022, the Town of South Bruce Peninsula designated the lands as a Municipal Capital Facility for the purpose of exempting the Sauble Medical Clinic building from taxation.

The Town of South Bruce Peninsula requires the County, being the tenant of the land, to sign their Municipal Capital Facility Agreement to fulfill MPAC's requirements to exempt the portion of land leased by the County from taxation.

Background:

The County of Bruce leases 672 Main Street, Sauble Beach from the Town of South Bruce Peninsula for the Sauble Beach Paramedic Station. The Town of South Bruce Peninsula is permitted under the *Municipal Act*, 2001 to designate land as a Municipal Capital Facility and enter into an agreement with their tenant to exempt land, or portion of it, from taxation. Ontario Regulation 603/06 defines the purposes for which a municipality can request an exemption from taxation; one being for the provision of social and health services. The County's paramedic service qualifies as an exemption under the provision of social and health services.

The Town of South Bruce Peninsula is requesting the County of Bruce enter into a Municipal Capital Facility Agreement to confirm the County leases the space for the purpose of providing social and health services, as contemplated in Ontario Regulation 603/06.

The Municipal Capital Facility Agreement is in addition to the 5-year lease agreement the County entered into with the Town of South Bruce Peninsula in March 2022.

Financial/Staffing/Legal/IT Considerations:

By designating the property as a Municipal Capital Facility South Bruce Peninsula and the County of Bruce will be exempted from collecting and paying property taxes on this facility.

Interdepartmental Consultation:

Link to Strategic Goals and Objectives:

Community and Partnerships - Enhance and grow partnerships

Departmental Approval:

Lynn Hatten, Acting Director of Corporate Services

Approved for Submission:

Christine MacDonald, Chief Administrative Officer