



## Committee Report

**To:** Warden Mitch Twolan  
Members of the Transportation & Environmental Services  
Committee

**From:** Miguel, Pelletier  
Director of Transportation & Environmental Services

**Date:** June 20, 2019

**Re:** Jenny Street Wiarton Reconstruction Additional Funds for  
Watermain Upgrades

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### Recommendation:

**That the Jenny Street, Wiarton watermain upgrades be funded from the Federal Gas Tax One Time Top Up.**

### Background:

The construction of a new building at the Bruce County Wiarton Patrol yard created the need to rebuild a section of Jenny Street as part of the site upgrades. As part of the reconstruction, but not required in the scope of the County's project, the Department entered into a cost-share agreement with the Town of South Bruce Peninsula on May 1, 2018, authorized by By-law 2018-035, for watermain upgrades on Jenny Street East. The agreement included the preliminary cost estimates for the municipal watermain upgrades for which The Town of South Bruce Peninsula would be responsible for 100% of the water main costs and had agreed upon to a maximum of \$19,000. The quotes received in 2018 for the watermain work were higher than estimated and both parties agreed to defer the work until 2019. New quotes were requested in 2019 with the lowest submission for the watermain component being \$47,171 and the highest quote being approximately \$67,000.

The municipality did not agree to pay for the additional cost of the watermain work and, at the time, the County was not in a position to pay the additional cost of this work as it was not required as part of the County's Wiarton Patrol Yard site plan work or road upgrades to Jenny Street. It has been proposed that additional funds needed could be sourced from the Federal Gas Tax One Time Top up. The latest quote submissions have expired and it is expected that the next request for quotes, especially because of the time of year, will be higher than estimated. It is estimated that the additional costs with new quotes will be in the range of \$30,000 but we should be prepared to potentially go up to \$48,000.

If the additional funding is not confirmed by July 5, 2019, it is unlikely that the work could be completed this year and should be deferred to another year.

**Financial/Staffing/Legal/IT Considerations:**

Based on the forecast provided in the report to Corporate Services Committee - Federal Gas Tax Funding - One Time Top Up dated May 2, 2019, this project would be eligible for the funding and fit within the funding envelope.

There are no staffing, legal or IT considerations associated with this report.

**Interdepartmental Consultation:**

Consulted the Corporate Services Department to include this project in the list of potential projects for the Federal Gas Tax Funding Top Up.

**Link to Strategic Goals and Elements:**

- 6 - Explore alternate options to improve efficiency, service
  - C - look for economy of scale or shared services among our department and our communities.

**Approved by:**

Murray Clarke  
Acting Chief Administrative Officer