

The Corporation of the Town of Blind River
REPORT

Report of the CAO/Clerk
Water & Wastewater Contract
June 17, 2020

RE: Renewal of Water and Waste Water Contract

PURPOSE

Provide Council with Option for tendering the water and waste water contract

BACKGROUND

The Town of Blind River currently uses the services of PUC out of Sault Ste. Marie to manage and maintain our water and sewer services. The contract was due in 2019, however council extended the contract by a year as there were many contracts that came due in 2019 and the wastewater plant was under construction upgrades. This renewal was not increased from the previous year and stayed at the amount of \$894,747.12 (HST Inc.)

In 2015 when the town last went out for tender we received three quotes as follows:

Northern	OCWA	PUC
\$3,650,323.55	\$3,397,771.00	\$4,086,330.75

At the time the water treatment plant had many issues that were just coming under control, this included the THM emergency that occurred in 2010. At the time Council felt that PUC had the best handle on the plant operations and were fearful of a reoccurrence.

With the year extension to the five year contract with PUC being up for renewal, Council should consider retendering the contact for a new five year term.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council authorize the CAO to direct the Director of Public Services and Tulloch Engineering to work on new tender documents for the Water and Wastewater Services:

AND THAT PUC be put on notice of their contract coming to an end in December of 2020.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathryn Scott
CAO/Clerk