 Committee Report

# Report TR-TAPS-24-14

**To**: Chair Barfoot and Members of the Transportation and Public Safety Committee

**From**: M.J. Kelly, Director of Transportation Services

**Meeting Date:** April 17, 2014

**Subject: Material Disposal Agreement**

**Status**: Recommendation adopted by Committee as presented per Resolution TAPS49-14; Endorsed by County Council May 6, 2014;

## Recommendation(s)

**WHEREAS the County of Grey Transportation Services requires material disposal locations throughout the County to deposit excess fill material excavated from maintenance and construction activities on Grey County roads;**

**AND WHEREAS the approval to execute these agreements is currently not included within the delegation of duties by-law;**

**AND WHEREAS staff ensures that standard agreements are properly completed and signed by the landowner prior to the disposal of material on the private property;**

**AND WHEREAS timing of the completion of the Material Disposal Agreements is imperative and often requires approval prior to the next scheduled Transportation and Public Safety Committee meeting;**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Report TR-TAPS-24-14 regarding Material Disposal Agreements be received;**

**AND THAT the Director of Transportation Services be given authorization to execute the Material and Disposal Agreements on behalf of Grey County;**

**AND THAT this approval be included in the next revision of the Delegation of Duties Policy.**

## Background

During maintenance and construction activities the Transportation Services Department often requires a place to dispose excess fill material removed from Grey County roads. This would include excess material from activities, such as ditch cleaning and culvert installations.

The County can dispose the material at a landfill site or obtain an agreement from a landowner that wishes to receive fill.

The utilization of private property is usually more economic because there are no tipping fees and the haul distance is shorter.

The County has historically obtained agreements with private property owners to dispose the excess fill on their property with the Director executing the agreements.

In the past, the Material Disposal Agreements have not been presented at the Transportation and Public Safety Committee meetings for approval.

Although staff endeavors to identify disposal sites well before the work commences, often the sites are not presented until just prior to the work being completed. As a result, the time required to pass these agreements through the Transportation and Public Safety Committee is not practical.

Approximately six to eight Material Disposal Agreements are executed annually.

In accordance with the Delegation of Duties By-Law 4824-13, the Material Disposal Agreements are to be executed by the Warden and Clerk.

## Financial / Staffing / Legal / Information Technology Considerations

If the Material Disposal Agreements are not executed quickly the opportunity to use the property may be jeopardized. As a result, the haul distance may be increased and/or tipping fees will be charged to dispose the material.

There is no money paid or received to or from the property owner accepting the disposal material.

The Delegation of Duties By-Law 4824-13 does not address the Material Disposal Agreement. The Director of Transportation Services is requesting approval to execute these agreements as an operational matter and the next revision of the delegation of duties by-law will incorporate this matter.

## Link to Strategic Goals / Priorities

Listening and Working Together - Section 5.2; collaborate with the public to improve the delivery of County Services.

## Attachments

Material Disposal Agreement

Respectfully submitted by,

M.J. Kelly
Director of Transportation Services







