



## Corporation of the Township of Brock

### Staff Report to the Mayor and Members of Council

**From: Ben Kester, CET, CRS-s**

**Position: Interim Director of Public Works**

**Title / Subject: Blackwater Bridge Rehabilitation - Tender # B2024- PW-19**

**Date of Report: January 23, 2025**

**Date of Meeting: January 27, 2025**

**Report No: 2025-OP-003**

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#### 1.0 Issue / Origin

Tender # B2024-PW-19 closed on January 22, 2025 and the tender result report is attached.

#### 2.0 Background

The Blackwater Bridge needs rehabilitating and is currently closed for safety reasons.

#### 3.0 Analysis

See attached report. There were 11 bidders and prices ranged from \$531,269.50 to \$1,692,445.30. Ratcliffe Excavation and Grading was the lowest bidder.

#### 4.0 Related Policies / Procedures

Bridge and large culvert inspections every two years.

## 5.0 Financial / Budget Assessment

Per 2024-OP-015 of December 2, 2024, a budget of \$841,407, however, the construction bid received came in under what was expected. As unexpected contingencies may arise on this project, and to allow staff the ability to respond without having to come back to Council each time, a proposed budget for this project of \$655,106 is proposed and funded as follows:

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Contract Administration – Chisholm Fleming	\$76,681
Construction (with non refundable HST)	\$478,425 (\$531,269.50 with full HST)
Contingency	\$100,000
<b>Total Estimated Budget Requirement</b>	<b>\$655,106</b>
Less: OCIF Grant	(\$380,000)
Less: Deferred Revenue	(\$54,166)
Less: Draw – Roads and Bridges Reserve	(\$220,940)
<b>Net</b>	<b>\$nil</b>

As the proposed budget above is less than the total approved of \$841,407, the draw on the roads and bridges reserve will be reduced.

## 5.1 Asset Management

The idea of asset management is to keep the assets in good condition rather than leaving the asset to deteriorate to the point of needing to be replaced.

## 6.0 Climate Change Impacts

N/A

## 7.0 Communications

The bridge is currently closed, and signs have been erected.

## 8.0 Conclusion

Tender B2024-PW-19 should be awarded to the lowest bidder.

## 9.0 Recommendation

That Council award tender B2024-PW-19 to Ratcliffe Excavating and Grading for a total of \$531,269.50 (HST included); and

That a total budget of \$655,106 for the Black Water Bridge Rehabilitation be approved; and

That the Black Water Bridge Rehabilitation project be funded as follows:

- \$380,000 from Ontario Community Infrastructure Funds
- \$54,166 from Deferred Revenue

- \$220,940 from Roads and Bridges Reserve