

Council Report

STAFF: Thomas McCarthy, Public Works Superintendent DATE: April 8, 2025
SUBJECT: 2025 Roadside Mowing

Recommendation

That Council accept the offer from Vandriel Excavating Inc. to extend the tender for roadside grass cutting services for a period of one year for a total cost of \$ 65,625.00 plus H.S.T.

Background

The Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh mows ditches from fence to fence once a year to keep brush from growing in the road allowance and weeds from spreading into farmers fields. This service usually gets tendered out as some of the ditches are too steep to be mowed with Township equipment.

Comment


Township staff were contacted by Vandriel Excavating Inc. who indicated that should it be agreeable with Council they would provide the service that was tendered in 2022 for the same price in 2025. Township staff received one tender for this service from Vandriel Excavating Inc. when the work was tendered in 2022. This tender has already been extended for two one-year periods in 2023 and 2024. Comments received by the public based on the work performed last year were positive.

The 2022 bid summary can be seen below:

Company	Cost per Kilometre	Bid Price	Bid Price with HST
Vandriel Excavating Inc.	\$ 175.00	\$ 65,625.00	\$ 74,156.25

The 2025 budget for roadside mowing is \$ 75,000. Township staff do not anticipate that re-tendering this work would result in a lower cost.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas McCarthy
Public Works Superintendent

Approved by:



Mark Becker
Chief Administrative Officer