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Report 2021-26

Report Title: Golden Plough Lodge and Northumberland County Archives and Museum Redevelopment – Construction Update

Committee Name: Public Works Committee and Community Health Committee

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Strategic Plan Priorities: Sustainable Growth
Thriving and Inclusive Communities

Information Report

Purpose

The purpose of this report is for Staff to provide the Public Works Committee and the Community Health Committee with an update on the construction of the Golden Plough Lodge (GPL) and Northumberland County Archives and Museum (NCAM) Redevelopment.

Background

In December 2020, the County received all required permits and authorizations to officially award the contract for the construction of the new GPL/NCAM to Matheson Constructors Ltd

(the Contractor). The Contractor mobilized to site and began construction on December 14, 2020.

Consultations

County Staff is working with the Town of Cobourg Staff on the Town's Development Agreement so that all concerns are addressed prior to its execution by both parties. County Staff also continues to consult and collaborate with Town Staff on any concerns that arise during construction and any other documentation required by the Town. In addition, County Staff continue to collaborate and consult with our internal and external stakeholders such as GPL Staff and our neighbours.

Legislative Authority/Risk Considerations

N/A

Discussion/Options

Courthouse Road is now owned by the County and Staff will be preparing a by-law for County Council to close the east-west section (middle section) of Courthouse Road to accommodate construction. The eastern leg of Courthouse Road (from Elgin Street West to Halcyon Place) will remain open. In addition, the western leg of Courthouse Road (from Elgin Street West to the Church on the Hill) will also remain open. County Staff will continue to work with Town of Cobourg Staff, Halcyon Place representatives, and Church On The Hill representatives, to ensure concerns are addressed prior to the roadway closure.

Pre-construction condition inspections have been performed by Golder Associates for the three neighbours that are closest to the construction site (Linmac Inc., Halcyon Place, and Church On The Hill). Seismic monitors have been installed on the west side of Halcyon Place's property in order to monitor vibration.

Bi-weekly construction meetings are being conducted with representatives from County Project Management Staff, the Contract Administrator (Salter Pilon Architecture), members of the Consulting Team (as required), the County's Site Representative (BTY Group) and the Contractor (Matheson Constructors Ltd.) where site activities are discussed.

To date, construction fencing has been installed, site trailers have been installed, and topsoil is being stripped and removed from the site. The Contractor is doing necessary preparations, and equipment is arriving on site for, the installation of the foundations including rammed aggregate piers.

Financial Impact

The first Payment Certificate has been issued by the Contractor in the amount of \$1,176,654.54 plus HST. This payment has been approved and payment is being processed by the County.

Member Municipality Impacts

County Staff are working with Town of Cobourg Staff to ensure the Town's Development Agreement is executed promptly. In addition, County Staff continue to work closely with Town of Cobourg Staff to ensure any concerns that arise during construction are diligently resolved.

Conclusion/Outcomes

Construction of the new GPL/NCAM is progressing well. Staff will bring a monthly report to the Committee/County Council to provide updates on the construction of the new GPL/NCAM.

Attachments

N/A