#### Request for Decision United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria Council

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# Commitment to Promotion & Education for BlueBox - Report #16/10/15/1203

### **Subject:**

Re-allocating a portion of 2015 surplus.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council adopt the following resolution committing up to \$2,000 towards Promotion and Education for our Blue Box program for 2015.

**WHEREAS** the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria has agreed to continue as a partner in the Shared Service Centre of Excellence with 5 other county municipalities to coordinate improvements in Blue Box and Waste Management;

**AND WHEREAS** the group has been successful in obtaining funding through the Continuous Improvement Fund of 40% of total project costs requiring a financial commitment from each member community;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** in order to participate in this component of the shared service agreement the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria does hereby agree to commit up to a maximum of \$2,000 for Blue Box Promotion and Education for 2015 from an estimated surplus in the Environmental Expenses and Special Project lines from the 2015 municipal budget.

# BACKGROUND/EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Staff have identified an anticipated surplus of approximately \$5,000 from the Waste Management category of the municipal 2015 budget which might be used towards this project.

The Shared Service Centre of Excellence was formed to coordinate the sharing of waste management and blue box practises to increase participation, simplify duties for individual staff members and realize economies of scale.

The group coordinator has obtained funding through Stewardship Ontario's Continuous Improvement Fund for specific Blue Box Promotion and Education. If member municipalities can not commit funding specific for this project, additional funding would be available to other participants.

Benefits are increased promotion and education; leveraged funds, limited staff input as the proposal and follow up are being taken care of by our contractor.

It is staff recommendation that up to \$2,000 be committed to this project using as yet unaudited surplus available.

# **Options/Discussion:**

# **Financial Considerations/Budget Impact:**

Funds committed will be leveraged at 40%. Although this item was not specifically budgeted for in 2015; surplus funds exist and staff recommend should be utilized for this project.

# **Policy Impact:**

Recommendation meets current policy. Not originally budgeted but funds do exist.

## **Others Consulted:**

Approved	and Recommended	by	the	Clerk
Melinda Reith,				

Municipal Clerk Melinda Reith