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Request for Decision United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria CotWhole

Type of Decision									
Meeting Date	Friday, February 5, 2016				Report Date	Monday, February 1, 2016			
Decision Required	X	Yes		No	Priority	X	High		Low
Direction	X	Information Only			Type of Meeting	X	Open		Closed

Boat Launch Upgrades- Report

#05/02/16/1201

Subject:

Review of the changes to municipal boat launches with direction for funds set aside for projects additional to those approved through the Canada 150 grant.

RECOMMENDATION:

Council to provide direction either as a recommendation to Council and/or staff direction.

BACKGROUND/EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Included as attachments:

- Canada 150 Report to Council - June 2015
- Stonecliffe Boat Launch Report to Council – September 2015

Improvements to the boat launches as outlined in the Canada 150 grant are being planned and organized to begin April 1, 2016. These include clearing an area in front of each ramp, extending the ramps, attaching floating docks, installation of lights, toilets, wash stations and waste receptacles.

Specific amendments to the Stonecliffe site have not proceeded as quickly. Any work to be undertaken in creating a break-wall (extensive work in the water) will require environmental assessments and environmental engineers to plan the project increasing costs significantly.

Council needs to provide direction to staff to proceed with this part of the project, separate from the Canada 150 planned projects. There is currently \$30,000 budgeted for these projects.

- One component will be the breaking and removal of rocks exposed with low river levels in the spring and in an area up to 6 metres in front of the Stonecliffe launch.
- Extension of the cement ramp pads both in the water (covered in Canada 150) and on shore (from Council's budget).

Approved and Recommended by the Clerk

Melinda Reith,
Municipal Clerk *M Reith*