

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

Type of Decision									
Meeting Date	Thursday, February 20, 2020				Report Date	Friday, January 24, 2020			
Decision Required	X	Yes		No	Priority	X	High		Low
Direction	X	Information Only			Type of Meeting	X	Open		Closed
Report #20/02/20/1001- Blue Box Transition Resolution									

**SUBJECT: Transition of Blue Box Program to Full Producer Responsibility**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council delay passing a resolution with a preferred date to transition to full producer responsibility until further information is received from potential recycling services provider.

**BACKGROUND/EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Staff received a request from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario on December 18, 2019, requesting that Council’s pass a resolution with a preferred date to transition to full producer responsibility with a rationale for the chosen date and whether the municipality is interested or not in continuing to provide services (e.g. contract management, collection, haulage processing services etc.). The information was presented to Council as correspondence at the regular meeting of January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Council directed the Clerk to prepare a resolution for the February meeting. Since then, I have been in contact with Emterra Environmental, who has purchased Beaumen’s facilities in Renfrew. Emterra has provided costing for dual stream recycling processing fees at \$97/tonne. The representative has asked if Council could delay passing a resolution until they are able to provide pricing on transportation (expected for March meeting of Council). Emterra would require a contract to be signed in order to provide services and her suggestion would be a contract ending December 2023 with three, one year extensions; however it would be ideal to wait until further information is received before contract negotiations begin and a resolution is passed.

**OPTIONS:**

Proceed with passing resolution keeping in mind that dates can be amended; or  
 Delay passing resolution until further information is received from Emterra and contract negotiations can begin – the deadline for the resolution to be passed is June 30, 2020.

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS/BUDGET IMPACT:**

None at this time.

**OTHERS CONSULTED:**

Paulina Leung, Emterra Environmental

<b>Approved and Recommended by the Clerk</b>
Crystal Fischer, Clerk-Treasurer