

Council Memorandum

Date: January 28th, 2020

To: Council

From: Councillor Dunn

Re: Waived landfill tipping fees for residents impacted by sewage back-up

Recommendation

That the memorandum from Councillor Pat Dunn regarding waived landfill tipping fees for residents impacted by sewage back-up be received; and

That Council direct staff to waive tipping fees for the residents affected by the sanitary sewage backup that occurred on January 11th, 2020.

Rationale

In April of 2019, the City of Kawartha Lakes waved landfill tipping fees for flooddamaged goods within specified areas that had been impacted by flooding or impacted by a lack of curbside pickup due to road closure. Like the Burnt River floods, the residents of Ward 5 were impacted by sanitary-sewer back-ups as a result of a severe weather event.

Based on initial reporting, the flooding and resulting damage falls under Section 5.02 of the Consolidated By-law Regarding the Collection and Management of Waste and Recyclables (2016-144). Clause iv states that:

Materials determined by the Director of Public Works and his or her designate or designated as damaged materials resulting from an extreme weather event within the City; received for disposal at designated City landfills during designated periods of time associated with said weather event.

Consequently, the residents affected by the sewage back up in January should be considered for waived landfill tipping fees.