

Erin pre-qualifies contractors for two wastewater treatment plant contracts

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Council has approved a list of pre-qualified contractors for two separate contracts for the wastewater treatment plant. (Screenshot from May 12 meeting)

ERIN – Council here is proceeding with a list of pre-qualified contractors for two phases of the town's much-anticipated wastewater treatment plant.

On May 12, council received the report regarding the general contractor for the sewage pumping station, directing staff to proceed with a list of pre-qualified contractors, which includes:

- ASCO construction Ltd.;
- Bennett Mechanical Installations Ltd.;
- Clearway Construction Inc.;
- I.R.A. Ltd.;
- Jeviso Construction Corporation;
- North America Construction Ltd.;
- Peak Construction Group Ltd.; and
- Torbear Contracting Inc.

The contract for the sewage pumping station was posted to the town's website on April 14 and closed April 29, receiving 11 submissions.

Each pre-qualification submission was reviewed by WSP staff and town staff and assessed on various criteria including their corporate profile, project qualifications, projects completed in the past 10 years and health and safety.

The submissions were evaluated independently by each member with the total scores averaged to determine the overall score for each submission.

Eight of the submissions came out with scores greater than the minimum required score of 70.

"Those contractors that received 70 points or over were listed in table two as being awarded for pre-qualification so that would leave us with eight contractors that we will include in the bid once it goes out," Nick Colucci, the town's director of infrastructure services, explained.

Trunk sewer contract

Council also reviewed the report for a separate contract for the micro-tunnelling contractor for the trunk sewer, directing staff to proceed with the following list of pre-qualified contractors:

- Earth Boring Co. Ltd.;
- Erritt Construction Ltd.;
- Michels Canada Co.;
- Technicare Underground Inc.; and
- Ward and Burke Microtunnelling.

As with the sewage pumping station, the contract for the micro-tunnelling was posted to the town's website on April 14 and closed April 29, receiving the five submissions listed above.

"After review, based on the criteria that's included in the report, we had all five contractors meet this 70-point threshold so we're recommending to award to all five with the understanding that these five contractors would be listed in the tender for the construction of segments one to four as the preferred contractors," Colucci told council.

"So the general contractor that will be bidding on segments one to four will use one of these contractors in their bid for those segments."

He noted there will be one general contract for the first four segments, which will include the underground servicing of sewers.

"We didn't pre-qualify the general contractor for that work because there's a lot of just general excavation work which we can do through the normal tendering process," he explained.

"We only pre-qualified the tunnelling contractor because that's very specialized work and similar to the previous one, its specialized work to build a pumping station."

Council approved the pre-qualified list of contractors for both projects.

