


**Item No. 11.1.4**  
**Halifax Regional Council**  
**April 29, 2014**

**TO:** Mayor Savage and Members of Halifax Regional Council

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**SUBMITTED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_

Richard Butts, Chief Administrative Officer

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Mike Labrecque, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

**DATE:** April 2, 2014

**SUBJECT:** Award - Unit Price Tender No. 14-227, Road Widening - Hammonds  
Plains Road - Central Region

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**ORIGIN**

The Approved 2014/15 Project Budget.

**LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY**

Under the HRM Charter, Section 79 Halifax Regional Council may expend money for municipal purposes. Administrative Order #35, the Procurement Policy, requires Council to approve the award of contracts for sole sources exceeding \$50,000 or \$500,000 for RFPs and Tenders respectively.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that Halifax Regional Municipality award Tender No. 14-227, Road Widening - Hammonds Plains Road - Central Region, to the lowest bidder meeting specifications, Dexter Construction Company Limited for a Total Tender Price of \$1,404,315.28 (net HST included) with funding from Project Account No(s). CR000005 - Street Recapitalization, CTU00420 - Active Transportation Plan Implementation and CRU01079 - Other Road Related Works, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of this report.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Approved 2014/15 Project Budget includes funds for the micro surfacing and widening of Hammonds Plains Road from Lucasville Road to Pockwock Road.

## **DISCUSSION**

Tender #14-227 was publicly advertised on the Province of Nova Scotia's Procurement website on March 12, 2014 and closed on April 1, 2014. Bids were received from following companies:

<b><u>Name of Company</u></b>	<b><u>Bid Price (net HST included)</u></b>
Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$1,404,315.28*
Cumberland Paving and Contracting Limited	\$1,483,442.28
Basin Contracting Limited	\$2,011,557.01
ARCP - Atlantic Road Construction and Paving Ltd.	\$3,111,331.10

### **\*recommended bidder**

The scope of work for this Tender generally consists of the paving of gravel shoulders to widen the existing travel way, including profile correction, planer patching, micro surfacing, drainage improvements, guiderail installation and associated reinstatement. Lane configurations will be in accordance with the intermediate cross section design which allows for a 3.5 metre wide travel lane, a 1.5 metre wide asphalt shoulder and a 0.7 metre wide gravel shoulder as was constructed on previous upgrades on Hammonds Plains Road.

It is anticipated that work will commence within three weeks of the Tender award and take fourteen (14) weeks to complete.

This is a **UNIT PRICE** contract and the cost will be dependent upon the actual quantities measured and approved by the HRM Project Manager.

There are no Local Improvement Charges associated with this work.

## **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Based on the lowest tendered price of \$1,346,600.00 plus net HST of \$57,715.28, for a net total of \$1,404,315.28, funding is available in the Approved 2014/15 Project Budget from Project Account No(s). CR000005 - Street Recapitalization, CTU00420 - Active Transportation Plan Implementation and CRU01079 - Other Road Related Works. The budget availability has been confirmed by Finance.

**Budget Summary:**                    **Project Account No. CR000005 - Street Recapitalization**

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$8,737,854.65
<b>Less: Tender No. 14-227</b>	<b><u>\$1,014,665.28</u></b> *
Balance	\$7,723,189.37

**Project Account No. CTU00420 - Active Transportation Plan Implementation**

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$655,649.27
<b>Less: Tender No. 14-227</b>	<b><u>\$350,000.00</u></b> *
Balance	\$305,649.27

**Project Account No. CRU01079 - Other Road Related Works**

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$1,455,932.56
<b>Less: Tender No. 14-227</b>	<b><u>\$ 39,650.00</u></b> *
Balance	\$1,416,282.56

\*This project was estimated in the Approved 2014/15 Project Budget at \$825,000, \$370,000 and \$50,000 respectively.

The balance of funds will be used to implement the remaining 2014/15 Street Recapitalization, Active Transportation Plan Implementation and Other Road Related Works projects approved by Council.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

Implications not identified.

**ALTERNATIVES**

Council could choose not to approve the recommendations in this report, but this is not recommended by staff.

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