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Halifax Regional Council October 22, 2002

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Matifax Regional Council

Dan English, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: October 16, 2002

SUBJECT: Award of Unit Price Tender No. 02-298, Shoreline Stabilization,

Shore Road - East Region

ORIGIN

Approved 2000/01 Capital Budget.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council award Tender No. 02-298, Shoreline Stabilization, Shore Road - East Region to Fred M. Dunphy Excavating & Construction Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a revised Tender Price of \$89,368.50 plus net HST for a total of \$95,114 from Account No.CGU00026, Shore Road Bank Stabilization, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of this report.

BACKGROUND

The 2000/01 Approved Capital Budget included funds for the construction of shoreline protection along Shore Road in Eastern Passage in order to protect the roadway and related infrastructure from erosion. Staff engaged the services of an engineering consulting company to identify critical areas, and to provide detailed engineering design of the shoreline protection. As well, the consultant identified additional areas that would require future shoreline protection.

DISCUSSION

Tenders were called on September 21, 2002 and closed on October 4, 2002. The following bids, exclusive of taxes, were received:

		Bid Price
1.	Fred M. Dunphy Excavating & Construction Limited	\$ 59,579.00
2.	Amber Contracting Limited	\$ 78,980.00
3.	Doug Richard Backhoe & Trucking Limited	\$110,082.00
4.	Brycon Construction	\$119,000.00
5.	J. R. Eisener Contracting Limited	\$136,180.00
6.	Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$154,400.00
7.	W. Eric Whebby Limited	\$168,760.00

The scope of work for this tender includes the supply and placement of armour stone and filter stone to control further erosion to the existing shoreline at specific locations along Shore Road in Eastern Passage. The low unit price from the low bidder reflect the availability of armour stone.

After the tender closing the low bidder, Fred M. Dunphy Excavating & Construction Limited, informed HRM staff that they would be willing to provide approximately 50% more amour stone at the low tender unit prices. Because of the favourable unit prices received and the budget availability, staff is recommending that the scope of work be increased by 50% to include the adjacent portion of shoreline that would otherwise require protection in the not too distant future. The revised Tender Price would be \$89,368.50, exclusive of taxes.

It is anticipated that work will commence within two weeks of the tender award.

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.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Based on the revised Tender Price of \$89,368.50 plus net HST for a total of \$95,114, funding is available in the 2000/01 Approved Capital Budget under Account No. CGU00026, Shore Road Bank Stabilization. The budget availability has been approved by Financial Services.

Budget Summary: Account No. CGU00026, Shore Road Bank Stabilization

Cumulative Unspent Budget \$188,771

\$ 93,657

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES/BUSINESS PLAN

This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

The improvements to the shoreline will impede erosion, thereby protecting the integrity of HRM's infrastructure. This protection will therefore eliminate the requirement for future capital and maintenance expenditures.

ALTERNATIVES

There are no recommended alternatives.

Additional copies of this report, and information on its status, can be obtained by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax 490-4208.

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^{*} This project was estimated in the 2000/01 Capital Budget at \$200,000.