## HALDIMAND COUNTY

Memorandum PW-FLE-M01-2018 Emergency Purchase – Water and Wastewater Division



## For Consideration by Council in Committee on August 28, 2018

To: Mayor Hewitt and Members of Council

From: Mike Fagan, Manager, Fleet and Equipment Operations

Earlier in 2018, the Water and Waste Water division were experiencing operational issues with the 2005 Jumping Jack tamper. It was difficult to start and would quit working completely at other times. The Fleet division performed a thorough inspection on the tamper and were unable to find the issue. The tamper was then sent to a local dealer for inspection and they were also unable to determine the problem.

The reliability of the equipment was causing service level issues for the Division as the tamper is a vital piece of equipment when the excavation of water lines is required. When refilling an excavation site, it is imperative that proper compaction is performed to avoid the risk of settlement and the need for staff to return to the job site for further repairs. If the excavation site was in the road allowance and significant settlement were to happen, damage to vehicles could occur and the County may be held liable.

Based on the current Fleet and Equipment replacement schedule, this unit was not due for replacement until 2025. The option to rent a tamper until the unit could be brought forward in the 2019 Capital budget was investigated, but proved not to be financially viable.

As a result, the purchase of a new replacement Jumping Jack tamper in the amount of \$4,322.50 plus HST was completed under Procurement Policy 2013-02 Section 4.03 k. Procurement in Emergencies, sub section (a) "an imminent or actual danger to the life, health or safety of the public" as well as sub section (c) "an imminent or actual danger of damage to or destruction of real or personal property belonging to the County or public if the damage or destruction is a result of County function or responsibility". Capital project C.315.0168 Jumping Jack (1) Emergency Purchase was created, with the expense to be funded CRR WWW Equipment.

In accordance with Section 4.03 k (ii) (c) of the Procurement Policy, this memo is being presented to advise Council of this emergency purchase.