
HALDIMAND COUNTY

Memorandum LSS-M05-2019 Additional Information Related to Report LSS-03-2019 Unsolicited Offer from Reynolds, Church Street, Jarvis

For Consideration by Council in Committee on February 5, 2019



To: Mayor Hewitt and Members of Council

From: Sandra Marsh, Property Coordinator

Included in the open session agenda of the Council in Committee meeting of January 15, 2019, was Report LSS-03-2019 Unsolicited Offer from Reynolds, Church Street, Jarvis concerning County-owned vacant land abutting 1 Church Street in Jarvis, approximately 0.24 acres in size. Confidential memorandum LSS-M01-2019 provided additional information related to options for disposal of the property and tabled Memorandum LSS-M04-2019 provided additional information regarding revisions made to the original offer submitted.

At the Council in Committee meeting of January 15, 2019 Council selected Option 3 with respect to the options provided in the aforementioned confidential Memorandum. This matter was later deferred at the Council Meeting of January 21, 2019, in order to obtain additional information regarding the impact of an existing gas monitoring stand which appears to be on or close to the subject land and to determine how merging of the subject property would impact the current residential use of the abutting lands located at 1 Church Street in Jarvis.

The only way to accurately confirm if the gas monitoring stand is located within the boundaries of the subject land or on the road allowance is to have a survey completed at the County's cost, however, since the County sells land on an as is/where is basis, this is not recommended. Mr. Reynolds does, however, have the option of paying for a survey if the gas monitoring stand location is of concern to him.

Both the subject lands and the abutting lands located at 1 Church Street are zoned commercial. A single detached dwelling is permitted as of right in the CD (Commercial) zone, therefore, merging of the lands will have no implications from a land use perspective, on the existing dwelling. The lands, once merged, will remain zoned commercial.

On January 28, 2019, staff received written notification that Mr. Reynolds rescinded his revised offer which was outlined in Confidential Memorandum LSS-M04-2019, and his original offer still stands.

If Council wishes to discuss the options available to them before providing final direction to staff on negotiating parameters, these discussions should take place in closed session.