

Municipality of East Ferris

Report to Council

Report No.: FD-2026-01

Date: July 14, 2026

Originator: Steph Amyotte, Fire Chief

Subject: Fire Station 2 (Astorville) Septic Replacement

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of East Ferris awards the septic replacement for Fire Station 2 to EBL Groundworks in the amount of \$22,300.00 plus HST.

BACKGROUND

Following an assessment of the existing septic system at Fire Station 2, staff have determined that the system has reached the end of its serviceable life and requires replacement. Replacing the system is necessary to ensure continued reliable operation of the facility and compliance with current regulatory standards.

As part of the 2026 Capital Budget, Council approved \$35,000.00 for the replacement of the septic system at Fire Station 2. To support the project, the Municipality retained a qualified third-party consultant to prepare a septic system design at a cost of \$4,071.75 plus HST. The completed design was submitted for approval, and all required permits have since been obtained.

Obtaining an independent design ensured that all contractors were provided with the same specifications, creating a fair and competitive procurement process.

Staff invited quotations from three qualified and licensed contractors with experience in septic system installations. The bids received are outlined in the next section.

OPTIONS

Option 1: EBL Groundworks

EBL Groundworks submitted a quotation of \$22,300.00 plus HST to remove and dispose of the existing septic tank and supply and install a new septic system in accordance with the design prepared by Canadian Shield Consultants Agency Inc.

Option 2: Clearline Site Solutions

Clearline Site Solutions submitted a quotation of \$34,000.00 plus HST to remove and dispose of the existing septic tank and supply and install a new septic system in accordance with the design prepared by Canadian Shield Consultants Agency Inc.

Option 3: Poly B Plumbing

Poly B Plumbing submitted a quotation of \$41,538.00 plus HST to remove and dispose of the existing septic tank and supply and install a new septic system in accordance with the design prepared by Canadian Shield Consultants Agency Inc.

RECOMMENDATION

The recommendation is to award the work to lowest bidder EBL Groundworks in the amount of \$22,300.00 plus HST.

This project will bring the septic system into compliance with current standards and is expected to provide reliable service for the remaining life of the building. The new system includes a septic bed, which will increase the system's treatment capacity and reduce the frequency of required septic tank pump-outs, resulting in improved operational efficiency and lower long-term maintenance requirements.

Respectfully Submitted,

I concur with this report and recommendation.



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