

Staff Report

Report From: Jessica Clapp, Asset Management and Environmental Services Manager

Meeting Date: February 5, 2024

Subject: Green Municipal Fund Community Building Retrofit – Pre-Application

Recommendation:

That Goderich Town Council receive the Green Municipal Fund Community Building Retrofit pre-application report for information.

Report Summary:

To inform Goderich Town Council that the pre-application for the Green Municipal Fund (GMF) Community Building Retrofit (CBR), offered through the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), has been approved. Staff will move forward with the full application submission.

Background/Analysis:

At the November 6, 2023, meeting, Goderich Town Council authorized staff to submit a pre-application for FCM's Green Municipal Fund (GMF) Community Building Retrofit (CBR) to complete a feasibility study at the Maitland Recreation Centre, as well as the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Completion of a feasibility study will enable the municipality to identify a sequence of greenhouse gas reduction measures to reduce emissions by at least 50% within 10 years and by at least 80% within 20 years.

The Town of Goderich's pre-application was approved by FCM on January 18, 2024. It should be noted that approval of the pre-application indicates that the project meets the eligibility criteria for the grant program, and the municipality can now proceed to the full GMF application stage. Approval of eligibility does not guarantee funding.

Linkages:

- Corporate Strategic Plan Priority #5: Environmental Stewardship

Financial Impacts/Source of Funding:

There is no financial impact associated with this report.

Approved By: Janice Hallahan, Chief Administrative Officer
Andrea Fisher, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk