

Meeting Date: January 20, 2025
Department: Community Services
Report No.: CS-2025-02
Submitted by: Robert Lilbourne, Director of Community Services
Approved by: Trisha McKibbin, Chief Administrative Officer
SUBJECT: **Bleacher Tender Award – Jays Care Foundation Grant**

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT: Report CS-2025-02 “Bleacher Tender Award – Jays Care Foundation Grant” be received for information, and further;

THAT: Council approve the awarding of the Bleacher Tender to W.H. Reynolds of Cambridge ON for the value of \$28,301.91 plus HST.

BACKGROUND:

In May 2024, Council and staff were informed that the Municipality of Strathroy-Caradoc successfully secured a grant from the Jays Care Foundation's Field of Dreams program. As Council may recall, this project involves relocating the hardball diamond from Alexandra Park to the Bantam Diamond at Yorkview Community Park. The diamond in Alexandra Park will be modified to accommodate slow pitch, fastball, and minor baseball, ensuring continued play at that location.

The total project cost is \$275,000.00, which was approved in the 2024 Capital Budget. Of this amount, the Jays Care Foundation will provide \$125,000.00.

COMMENTS:

The Bleacher Tender was advertised on the Municipality's Bids and Tenders page of our Website. At the time of closing the Municipality received only 1 bid submission.

- W.H. Reynolds Cambridge Ltd. (Known As – The Bleacher Guys)

After reviewing the bid, staff recommend W.H. Reynolds Ltd. of Cambridge ON.

The recommended company is the only bidder, and met all the requirements.

CONSULTATION:

Supervisor of Parks and Recreation Facilities

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

\$28,301.91 will be allocated from the approved 2024 Capital Budget, which has a total value of \$275,000.00. This phase of the project had a budget amount of \$40,137.60.

Of the \$275,000.00, approximately \$170,000.00 has been spent to date. This leaves approximately \$100,000.00 to conduct the remaining work, which includes but is not limited to asphalt, backstop pads, protective netting, scoreboard installation, and signage.

ALTERNATIVE(S) TO THE RECOMMENDATION:

1. Council to provide alternate direction.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

This matter is in accord with the following strategic priorities:

Local Infrastructure and Capital Investment: Households and businesses in Strathroy-Caradoc will be supported by reliable, financially responsible, and well-maintained infrastructure networks.

ATTACHMENTS:

None