



Municipal District of Bonnyville No. 87

Request for Decision (RFD)

Meeting: Regular Meeting of Council
Meeting Date: February 11, 2025
Originated By: Bryan Bespalko, General Manager of Infrastructure Services
Title: Truman Bridge Damage – Reward Offer

PROPOSAL & BACKGROUND

On October 26, 2024, the Truman Bridge sustained damage when a semi-truck hauling logs attempted to cross the bridge, striking the structure with the load.

A report was presented to Council on January 28, 2025, with options for repair. As the M.D. does not insure bridges as part of an insurance policy, and the RCMP investigation did not produce any suspects, the M.D. must absorb the cost of repair.

Council directed Administration to proceed with a repair of the bridge to pre-collision condition for a cost of \$800,000.00.

Council also directed Administration to determine if a reward for information leading to the conviction of the culprit could be offered.

DISCUSSION ON BENEFITS, DISADVANTAGES & OPTIONS

Administration discussed this issue with legal counsel and it was determined that the M.D. could offer a reward.

Administration is looking for direction from Council on how Council would like to structure the reward offer.

REFERENCE TO STRATEGIC PLAN

N/A

REFERENCE TO PROVINCIAL/FEDERAL LEGISLATION

N/A

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING

Reward to be funded from the 2025 Council Public Relations Budget.

COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY

Reward offer to be communicated through M.D. social media and the local newspaper.

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDED ACTION

THAT Council approves providing a reward in the amount of \$_____ for information that leads to the successful conviction of the person(s) and/or company responsible for the damage to BF 72515 Truman Bridge on October 26, 2024, to be funded from _____.

COUNCIL OPTIONS

1. THAT Council approves providing a reward in the amount of \$_____ for information that leads to the successful conviction of the person(s) and/or company responsible for the damage to BF 72515 Truman Bridge on October 26, 2024, to be funded from _____.
2. THAT Council refers the Truman Bridge Damage Reward Offer report back to Administration for additional information regarding _____ and to bring it back to a future meeting of Council.
3. THAT Council accepts the Truman Bridge Damage Reward Offer report as information.

Report Approval Details

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Attachments:	
Final Approval Date:	Feb 10, 2025

This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

Stephanie Severin