

Type of Decision									
Meeting Date	Friday, April 20, 2012				Report Date	Monday, April 16, 2012			
Decision Required	X	Yes		No	Priority	X	High		Low
Direction	x	Information Only			Type of Meeting	X	Open		Closed
REPORT TITLE									
Deux Rivieres and Canada Day Report #20/04/12/1202									

Subject: Authorization from Council to spend additional funds on transportation to and from Deux Rivieres for Canada Day celebrations depending on demand.

RECOMMENDATION: That Council pass the following resolution authorizing staff to determine demand for transportation to and from Deux Rivieres for Canada Day celebrations and to hire transportation.

WHEREAS Deux Rivieres residents have made it known that they feel distanced from the rest of the municipality;

AND WHEREAS the main municipal function of late has been the Canada Day celebrations;

AND WHEREAS an offer of transportation may be seen as a move to include Deux Rivieres residents;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria does hereby authorize staff to survey Deux Rivieres residents to determine a demand for and commitment to the use of hired transportation for Canada Day celebrations;

AND FURTHER that Council authorize staff to spend up to \$_____ on transportation for this specific purpose.

Background/Executive Summary: Canada Day celebrations are for residents and visitors alike however the distance to Deux Rivieres may make it prohibitive for residents to drive to Mackey for the afternoon. As a gesture of inclusiveness, Council could determine the need and if it exists provide transportation to and from Deux Rivieres for Canada Day celebrations.

I have researched the option of 12 or 15 passenger vans but no one rents them around here due to licensing issues.

Options:

1. could include a 55 seat bus – quoted at \$1,000 plus tax;
2. the rental of passenger vans – cost to be determined; or
3. Volunteers with vans to transport people. Council could reimburse these people for gas/mileage. This would require us to ensure that each driver had acceptable liability insurance.

Any other suggestions?

Financial Considerations/Budget Impact: Could be as much as \$1,000

Policy Impact: No applicable policy.

Others Consulted/Resources/References: Canada Day Committee; Thom Transit; Valley Transportation; Avis Chalk River;

Approved and Recommended by the Clerk

Melinda Reith,
Municipal Clerk

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