

Request for Decision United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria Council

Type of Decision									
Meeting Date	Thursday, April 25, 2019				Report Date	Tuesday, April 9, 2019			
Decision Required	X	Yes		No	Priority	X	High		Low
Direction	X	Information Only			Type of Meeting	X	Open		Closed

Report #25/04/19/1102 – 2019-10 ATV By-Law and 2019-11 Snowmobile By-Law

SUBJECT: Snowmobile and ATV By-Law

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council adopt By-Law 2019-10 being a by-law to regulate the operation of off-road vehicles within the townships; and
Adopt By-Law 2019-11 being a by-law to regulate and govern the use and operation of Motorized Snow Vehicles (Snowmobiles) within the townships;
And repeal all by-laws that contradict the requirements of the above by-laws.

BACKGROUND/EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

There have been some concerns identified with the ATV and Snowmobile By-Laws that are currently in place. There are regulations and penalties listed in the by-laws that are not enforceable because we do not have a by-law officer. The Ontario Provincial Police can still issue warnings or penalties through the Highway Traffic Act and Motorized Snow Vehicles Act when they are patrolling in our municipality and have witnessed an infraction to either Act, regardless if the municipality has a by-law or not.

Council has expressed interest in having a general by-law that allows off-road and motorized snow vehicles on municipal roads.

Financial Considerations/Budget Impact:

None at this time

Others Consulted:

Sergeant Kenneth Kee, Ontario Provincial Police
Mayor Grills
Township of Bonnechere Valley

Approved and Recommended by the Clerk

Crystal Fischer,
Interim Clerk