

Type of Decision							
Meeting Date	Tuesday, October 16, 2018			Report Date	Thursday, October 11, 2018		
Council Decision Required	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	Priority	X	High	Low
Complies with Current Policy	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Creates New Policy	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
Aligns with Strategic Plan	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Priority in Asset Management Plan	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Follows Procedure By-law	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	Follows Procurement By-Law	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Aligns with Zoning By-Law	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Aligns with previous Council precedent	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>
As per Provincial Legislation	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>			Provincial Act or Regulation	Off-Road Vehicles Act (ORVA) and the Highway Traffic Act.		
Direction	x	Information Only		Type of Meeting	X	Open	Closed
<b>REPORT TITLE - ATV and Off Road Vehicle By-Law</b>							
Report #16/10/2018 - 1002							

## Subject: Consideration of allowing ATVs and Off Road Vehicles on Municipal Roads

### RECOMMENDATION:

That Council adopt the following recommendations.

#### Resolution #1

**WHEREAS** The ATV and Off Road Vehicle By-Law has received its first reading at the September 11<sup>th</sup> meeting and staff did make amendments as directed by Council;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** in order to permit off road vehicle use in a safe and controlled manner, and to provide a document which Ontario Provincial Police and any municipal enforcement staff might use to enforce municipal rules, the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria does approve the attached by-law number 2018-19, ATV and Off Road Vehicle By-Law as amended to become effective immediately on final passing.

**AND FURTHER THAT** this by-law be READ a second and third time and finally passed this 16th day of October, 2018.

### BACKGROUND/EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

1. The use of off-road vehicles on municipal roads is illegal unless a municipality passes a by-law allowing such use.
2. The consultation which occurred in respect to the use of the Algonquin trail identified some resident dissatisfaction with the current status of uncontrolled use of ATVs and trespass in each of our 4 communities.

3. In order to ensure that respectful controlled use of ATVs on municipal roads is legally approved and permitted by the municipality, a by-law is required.
4. Council has an obligation to the public to ensure public health and safety and enacting an ATV by-law will allow council to set times of use and speed limits which the OPP and any municipal enforcement officers in the future may enforce.
5. Attachments with excerpts from local ATV associations, as well as the Ministry of Transportation have been provided to support staff recommendations.
6. The local Renfrew County ATV Club and the Ofof ATV Clubs have requested of Council use of the rail trail through Head, Clara & Maria to connect their trails in other areas.
7. Some sections of the by-law may seem that they do not apply to our situation eg. Construction areas, but we never know what the future holds and it is better to be pro-active than re-active after something has occurred. If it doesn't really apply to what is occurring right now, does not mean that it won't be valid in the future.

**Options/Discussion: As presented in the report from the September 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.**

**Financial Considerations – Budget Impact:**

Financial considerations would include those for enforcement, advertisement, increased police calls, by-law enforcement.

**Others Consulted:**

OPP, appropriate legislation, various municipal ATV By-Laws – City of Pembroke, Town of Renfrew, Town of Mattawa, City of Greater Sudbury and others...

Approved and Recommended by the Clerk

Melinda Reith,

Municipal Clerk

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