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NORTH HURON AND MORRIS TURNBERRY PARTNER TO ‘SHARE SERVICES’ Two (2) Year Pilot Project

North Huron and Morris Turnberry are continuing to strengthen their working relationship by partnering on the delivery of Public Works Services, Building Services, Drainage Services, Administration Services.

The Council of Morris Turnberry and the Council of North Huron have approved a Concept Report and a Cost Analysis Report, in regards to the sharing of services for the following:

1. Public Works Services
2. Building Services
3. Drainage Services
4. Partial Administration Services

By working together, this partnership will achieve savings and efficiencies that are not possible by working individually.

Morris-Turnberry Mayor Paul Gowing stated: *“The sharing of our resources only makes our two municipalities stronger and the delivery of these services, more efficient. This natural partnership recognizes our common goals, geography and service needs and will allow for future development in our community.”*

North Huron Reeve- Neil Vincent stated: *“By working together and pooling resources, we can provide more efficient and effective services, with a greater focus on customer service.”*

The merger of services is planned to be in place and operational by July 1, 2016.

The Cost Analysis Report estimates a potential savings in excess of \$600,000 by the end of 2018 by sharing equipment, staff and other resources to provide an innovative approach for the provision of services.

While there will be **no job loss** due to this project, one of the goals will be to work toward a more streamlined organizational structure and revised job descriptions to ensure both municipalities are well positioned to meet current and future challenges. The first order of business will be to hire a Director of Public Works to oversee the joint operation.

Teamwork by the Municipalities will assist in making the area attractive for economic growth.

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