

Staff Report

Report Title: Municipal Drain Status Update January 2025Date: Jan. 13, 2025Report Number: DRA-2025-03Department: DrainageFile Number: C11 DRA 25Prepared By: Ken McCallumAttachments: None

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report DRA-2025-03 prepared by Ken McCallum, Drainage Superintendent.

Background:

Municipal Drainage projects are in various stages of completion. This report is to provide the Committee with an update on each drain in progress.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

Previous update provided in Report DRA-2024-12-07 (previous report).

Capital Works

Hamilton Municipal Drain:

The December 12th meeting of Landowners has been rescheduled to January 16th, due to a delay in issuing notices as a result of the postal service outage.

Gaunt-Laidlaw Municipal Drain

The Engineer's report will be considered at a public meeting on February 3rd, 2025 as part of the Council meeting. Notices have been provided to landowners as required by legislation.

Vandiepenbeek Municipal Drain

Municipal staff will continue to work with the project Engineer to address any outstanding concerns identified by landowners during the one-year construction warranty period.

Others

There has been no change to the status with respect to the following ongoing capital drain projects: Black Creek Municipal Drain, Park Street & Railway Street Municipal Drains, Bruce Beach Drain Phase 1 & 2, Clark Creek Municipal Drain and Thompson Lamont Deyell Municipal Drain, Pennell Municipal Drain, Jantzi Municipal Drain and Kempton Municipal Drain.

Maintenance Works

Stewart Municipal Drain

Information on required maintenance works has been provided on the January 13th, 2025 agenda through Report DRA-2025-02 for consideration.

Others

The following are ongoing maintenance drain projects with no change in status since the last report: Reavie Municipal Drain, Carrick Municipal Drain, Kincardine Kinloss Municipal Drain, and Pollard Municipal Drain.

Maintenance Assessments Outstanding

The following maintenance projects have been completed and Staff are preparing assessments to landowners; A. MacDonald Municipal Drain, McDonald Bushell Municipal Drain. The by-laws to assess costs to landowners in accordance with the last revised assessment schedule governing the drain are expected to be considered at the February or March meetings of Council.

Financial Impacts:

The cost of constructing, maintaining and/or repairing municipal drains is assessed to all the landowners within the drain watershed depicted in the last engineer's report as outlined in the *Drainage Act, 1990*. The Township is responsible for any Assessments to all Municipal lands and roads as determined by the engineer.

The Township's Drainage Superintendent duties are provided through a shared services agreement with the Municipality of Huron-East. The Township of Huron-Kinloss would typically have two days each week of availability for the Drainage Superintendent to perform the duties assigned

Performance Measurement:

N/A

Strategic Area:

□Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle □Prepare for Inclusive Growth ☑ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery□ Ensure Financial Stability

Strategic Goal: Protect, promote and restore our natural environment

Respectfully Submitted By:

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Report Approved By:

Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer