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**DRAINAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
APRIL 19, 2018 @ 10:30 A.M.
Committee Room 'A', 2021 Division Road North, Kingsville**

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson, Larry Patterson called the Meeting to order at 10:28 a.m. with the following persons in attendance:

Members:

Larry Patterson
Thomas Neufeld
Richard Welker
Jeff Stephenson
Henry Denotter
Lyle Hall
Gerard Rood

Members of Administration:

Drainage Superintendent – K. Vegh
Deputy Clerk – Administrative Services R. Baines

B. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Chairperson, Larry Patterson reminded members that any declaration and its general nature are to be made prior to each item being discussed.

C. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

NONE

D. STAFF REPORTS

NONE

E. BUSINESS CORRESPONDENCE – ACTION REQUIRED

NONE

F. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

1. Kingsville Drainage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes — June 9, 2017

01-2018 Moved by Lyle Hall, seconded by Jeff Stephenson to receive the minutes of the Kingsville Drainage Advisory Committee Meeting dated June 9, 2017



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G. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Status of maintenance on natural watercourse

Ken provided an update on the status of maintenance on natural watercourse. The department of Fisheries and Oceans had concerns with proof of flooding and significant property damage. There were consultations with ERCA and Ministry of Natural Resources relating to the extension of #47 drain as this municipal drain stops just north of Road 2.

Discussion commenced regarding the motion from the June 9, 2017 minutes and inquired on the timeline of the pilot program for the #47 Drain. Larry to bring notice of motion to Monday's April 23rd council meeting to move pilot program forward.

2. Status update of 2018 drain maintenance and 2019 projects and budget

Ken provided an update on the following 2018 projects: Boose drain, Grainger Drain, Centre branch of 4th concession, McMahon drain, Irwin drain, and East Branch of #47. Ongoing engineering projects include Esseltine drain, McDonald drain, Kunch drain and Lane drain. Spraying projects include Knight, Conklin, Armstrong and Upcott. Three bridge projects include bridge over Loyst, 9th concession and Clifford. Capital project underway is the bridge replacement over Patterson drain, and there is the continued Phragmites program.

There was a brief discussion of 2019 projects and budget. Ken stated that Town is being proactive and aggressive in maintaining municipal drains. Finances are where they need to be and will need justifying if there is a request for more funds.

3. Copy of policy regarding brushing of banks

Ken provided an overview of the policy on brushing of banks and the required forms to be completed and submitted to ERCA, MNR and Department of Fisheries & Oceans. There is not a specific Town of Kingsville policy on brushing of banks.

Discussion on *Drainage Act* and various other acts that restrict works and that several updates to legislation hinders progression.



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4. Copy of policy/by-law/section of *Drainage Act* that stipulates who can perform works on a municipal drain

Ken provided an overview of section 74 of the *Drainage Act* and authorization. R. Welker inquired about conducting tile work on his own property. Ken clarified that he can work on it as long as he does not alter or damage the drain. A farmer can maintain banks of a drain but cannot submit a bill to the town.

5. Spraying of drains & status

Ken provided an overview of the Arner Townline and tree removal and stated that there is now supporting evidence to support the spraying of drains (test projects). It provides a 10-year buffer in between maintenance. Ken stated that seeding bank slopes will be carried out going forward. There was discussion on water sampling for phosphorus and poor surface water quality.

Committee members thanked Ken for his hard work on drain improvement through regular maintenance and that Council be advised.

Tim Byrne and Cynthia Casagrande from ERCA entered meeting at 11:22 am. Larry provided them an overview of the discussion items so far.

Discussion on #47 drain extension to facilitate a sufficient outlet and possible opposition. It's all a natural watercourse. It was suggested possible application to province for a grant? There would need to be a signed drainage works petition to proceed. Discussion on who signs petition and responsibility for engineer costs if works don't proceed. ERCA has stated that they will support the extension of the drain.

H. NEXT MEETING DATE

1. The next meeting of the Kingsville Drainage Advisory Committee shall take place on June 28, 2018 at the Municipal Building @ 9:00 a.m.

I. ADJOURNMENT

02-2018 Moved by Thomas Neufeld, seconded by Jeff Stephenson to adjourn this Meeting at 11:36 a.m.



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CHAIR, Larry Patterson

DEPUTY CLERK – ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES,
Roberta Baines