

Date: December 9, 2024

To: Mayor and Council

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RE: Gibbs Drain – Section 4 - MTO Highway Widening Project

### RECOMMENDED ACTION

That the Engineer's Report prepared by Dillon Consulting, dated November 15, 2024, regarding the Gibbs Drain for the MTO Widening Project, pursuant to Section 4 of the Drainage Act, **BE ADOPTED**.

#### **BACKGROUND**

On July 10, 2023, Administration received a request from the Ministry of Transportation ("MTO") for drain improvements for the new intersection of County Road 29, South Talbot Road and Highway 3.

#### DISCUSSION

The Engineer has prepared an Engineer's Report dated November 15, 2024. The Engineer's Report provides for the legalization of the drain and a full cleanout of the lower portion along with the installation of 2 new culverts.

Landowners within the watershed have been invited to this Meeting to Consider and have received a copy of the Engineer's Report.

#### FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Allowances have been given to a landowner.

A future maintenance schedule has been prepared for the drain.

100% of the costs are assessed to the MTO. The total cost of the project is \$206,800.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS**

The Engineer's Report has been sent to the Essex Region Conservation Authority for review and comment. A permit application and fee may be required.

The Department of Fisheries and Oceans self-screening report has been completed.

# **CONSULTATIONS**

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