



MUNICIPALITY OF THAMES CENTRE

REPORT NO. PW-DR-011-24

TO: Mayor and Members of Council
FROM: Drainage Superintendent
MEETING DATE: December 9, 2024
SUBJECT: O'Reilly Drain 2024 – Meeting to Consider

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Report No. DR-011-24 prepared by the Drainage Superintendent, dated December 9, 2024, concerning a meeting to consider the O'Reilly Drain 2024, **BE RECEIVED** for information;

AND THAT the Drainage Report for the O'Reilly Drain 2024, as prepared by Spriet Associates, dated October 16, 2024, **BE RECEIVED AND ADOPTED**;

AND THAT the first sitting of the Court of Revision on behalf of the O'Reilly Drain 2024, **BE SCHEDULED** for January 13, 2025.

PURPOSE:

To provide Council with the information necessary to deal with the request under the *Drainage Act* as it relates to the requirements for the Meeting to Consider. This meeting will deal with engineering matters only. Assessment questions will be dealt with at the Court of Revision.

BACKGROUND:

The O'Reilly Drain was originally constructed in 1968.

In early 2023 roughly 230m of tile located in an area dense with trees was found to be infiltrated with tree roots and required replacing. After reviewing the potential repairs with the owners impacted by this section of the drainage works it was decided an improvement to the entire drain was preferable and if possible, a relocation of the existing drain to avoid the area ripe with tree growth.

Additionally, through a Section 4 request, the drain is being extended to provide the furthest upstream owner with an outlet for their land.

COMMENTS:

The engineer was able to find a suitable way to relocate the drain in order to avoid the property dense with tree growth.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

As outlined under the Drainage Report.

STRATEGIC PLAN LINK

Pillar: *Smart Planning*

Goal: *Make smart planning decisions to grow the community, while maintaining a "hometown feel"*

CONSULTATION:

None.

REFERENCES:

None.

ATTACHMENTS:

- O'Reilly Drain 2024 - Report
- O'Reilly Drain 2024 - Drawings

Prepared by: T. Pitt, Drainage Superintendent

Reviewed by: J. Craven, Director of Public Works

Reviewed by: D. Barrick, Chief Administrative Officer