

**REPORT TO:** Mayor and Members of Council

**PREPARED BY:** Jonathan Lampman, Infrastructure Supervisor

**DEPARTMENT:** Infrastructure & Operations

**DIVISION:** Drainage

**MEETING DATE:** Wednesday, March-20-19

**SUBJECT:** Meeting to Consider Engineer's Report – McEwen Drain

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Be it resolved that Council accepts the Final Report for the McEwen Drain dated February 13, 2019 prepared by R. Dobbin Engineering Inc.

That Council gives two (2) readings for a Provisional By-Law as Section 45(1) of the *Drainage Act, R.S.O. 1990*.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The final report dated February 13, 2019 was received by Municipal staff on February 19, 2019. On February 21, 2019 notices and copies of the report were mailed to assessed landowners to attend this meeting to consider the Engineer's Report and that Council gives first and second reading for a Provisional By-Law.

The intention of the meeting to consider is to confirm the following:

1. To give council a chance to consider the engineers report.
2. At this point the consideration is for the technical design aspects of the drain only. Monetary or assessment based questions or concerns can be heard but will be dealt with after the meeting to consider by-law has been given 2 readings.
3. That any petitioner has the right to withdraw from the petition at this point (section 42 *Drainage Act, R.S.O. 1990*).
4. Any other owners requiring drainage, on said drain, may sign the petition to carry the drain forward (section 43 *Drainage Act, R.S.O. 1990*)
5. Persons wishing to sign may do so, and that council may authorize that the head of council to sign the petition if council has lands or roads assessed within the area requiring drainage.

6. That the clerk receives and records written additions to the petition (if any)

## **LINK TO STRATEGIC PRIORITIES**

**By Managing Growth And Land Use Wisely**

**By Preserving And Promoting Agriculture And The Agricultural Industry**

## **BACKGROUND**

A petition for drainage works by owners was received by staff December 5, 2016 under section 78 of the *Drainage Act, R.S.O. 1990*. R. Dobbin Engineering Inc. were appointed as Engineer to the project. Site meetings were held February 9, 2017 and December 11, 2017. Permits have been obtained from ABCA and DFO to carry out the replacement of approximately 650 meters of existing closed tile and to enclose approximately 1,340 meters of open channel within the existing drain.

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## **DISCUSSION**

It has been recommended that a new report be prepared for the McEwen Drain.

## **FINANCIAL**

The total assessment for construction on the McEwen Drain is estimated at \$648,820.00 (Total Estimate minus Allowances, not including H.S.T.) Only the lands used for agricultural purposes are eligible for the Farm Property Class Tax rate which is grantable. The grantable portion will be applied to OMAFRA upon completion and inspection of the drain.

*Preapproval*

## **ATTACHMENT**

McEwen Drain Report

Prepared By: Jonathan Lampman, Infrastructure Supervisor

Reviewed By: Jonathon Graham, Deputy CAO/Director of Operations

Approved By: Nandini Syed, CAO/Director of Finance (Treasurer)