

# Drainage Board Meeting Minutes April 21, 2022, 5:00 PM

**Location:** Large Meeting Room, Town of Essex, 33 Talbot Street South, Essex

# 9<sup>th</sup> Concession Drain, Sections 78 & 76 Report Geographic Township of Colchester North Project REI2021D013, Town of Essex, County of Essex

Accessible formats or communication supports are available upon request. Please contact the Clerk's Office at <a href="mailto:clerks@essex.ca">clerks@essex.ca</a> or 519-776-7336 extension 1100 or 1101.

The Clerk confirmed that all notices have been sent in accordance with The Drainage Act.

Present: Kirk Carter, Drainage Board Chair

Janice Dougherty, Vice-Chair

Felix Weigt-Bienzle, Drainage Board Member

Percy Dufour, Drainage Board Member

Also Present: Robert Auger, Clerk, Legal and Legislative Services

Lindsay Dean, Drainage Superintendent

Tanya Tuzlova, Operations/Drainage Clerk

Gerard Rood, Professional Engineer, Rood Engineering Inc.

Kim Verbeek, Town of Essex Councillor

Regrets: None

Absent: None

General Public: Please see attached Sign-in Sheet

#### 1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:03 PM.

#### 2. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

There were no declarations of conflict of interest noted at this time.

# 3. Adoption of Published Agenda

# 3.1 Drainage Board Agenda for April 21, 2022

#### DB22-04-006

Moved by Board Member Weigt-Bienzle Seconded by Board Member Dufour

**That** the published agenda for the April 21, 2022 Drainage Board Meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried

# 4. Adoption of Minutes

# 5. List of Written Appeals

The Clerk informed that no written appeals were received by the Clerk's Office.

#### 6. Public Presentations

# 6.1 Gerard Rood, Professional Engineer

Re: Re: Report from Rood Engineering Incorporated dated March 24, 2022 regarding 9<sup>th</sup> Concession Drain Sections 78 & 76 Report, Geographic Township of Colchester North, Project REI2021D013, Town of Essex, County of Essex

Lindsay Dean, Drainage Superintendent, presented the overview of the Drainage Act process. Ms. Dean informed taxpayers regarding the purpose of the Meeting to Consider and responsibilities of property owners during the meeting. Ms. Dean also explained drain billing and debenture procedures.

Mr. Rood presented a detailed review of the report.

#### DB22-04-007

Moved by Board Member Dougherty

Seconded by Board member Weigt-Bienzle

**That** the Engineers Report and presentation of Lindsay Dean, Drainage Superintendent, be received.

Carried

#### 7. Public Delegations/Presentations

Dave Bennett, 1460 South Malden Road, on behalf of Judith Calhoun, stated that in his opinion, the cleaning of the drain is not required since the problem is at the Canard River.

The Chair advised that the report shows that the drain has significant accumulation of sediment, and the drain should be cleaned.

Lindsay Dean, Drainage Superintendent, further advised that cleaning would be required to restore the drain to its full capacity. Ms. Dean added that the purpose of this meeting is to review specifications of the bridges, profile and to deal with technical details of the report.

Dave Bennett commented that cleaning of the drain will cause standing water at the bottom of the drain.

Ms. Dean replied that cleaning the drain will add additional capacity to the flow. Ms. Dean further added that natural watercourse is not under the jurisdiction of the Town of Essex.

Mr. Rood advised that Mr. Bennett contact Essex Region Conservation Authority to remove severe blockages in the river to provide better habitat for local species. Mr. Rood added that cleaning of the municipal drain will involve removing only 6-10 inches of sediment in his location.

Board Member Dougherty advised that Mr. Bennett send a request to Essex Region Conservation Authority to attend the meeting next time to address this concern.

Walter Howson, 9703 9<sup>th</sup> Concession, asked for further clarification on why only three properties south of the 9<sup>th</sup> Concession Road are included in the watershed of this drain.

Mr. Rood replied that based on the previous report, the other properties are assessed either into the Spindler Drain or the Campbell Sideroad Drain.

Lindsay Dean, Drainage Superintendent, added that if the property owners believe that their property is draining into the other drain, to advise the Engineer or Drainage Superintendent since it would be very costly to investigate drainage for each property.

Phill Bezaire, 4179 Roseland Drive East, Windsor, advised that he has requested the cleaning of the drain so it could be continuously used per its capacity.

Paul Perz, 9773 Concession 9, commented that he checked the drain and the flow is good therefore no cleaning is required.

Lindsay Dean, Drainage Superintendent, explained that there is very little sediment accumulation across from Mr. Perz's property and that the sediment accumulation is located further downstream.

Board Member Weigt-Bienzle replied that Mr. Perz has a farm and farmers have certain responsibilities and some of those responsibilities are under the Drainage Act.

Mr. Weigt-Bienzle further suggested that all outlets are protected with gabion stones to minimize sediment accumulation.

Ms. Dean advised property owners to keep a buffer strip to minimize sediment accumulation and reduce the frequency of maintenance works.

#### DB22-04-008

Moved by Board Member Wegt-Bienzle

Seconded by Board Member Dufour

**That** the presentation by Gerard Rood be received and that the Report for the 9<sup>th</sup> Concession Drain, Sections 78 & 76 Report, Geographic Township of Colchester North, Project REI2021D013, Town of Essex, County of Essex be recommended for adoption, and that it be recommended that a provisional by-law be prepared for Council's consideration and that the report proceed to a Court of Revision to be scheduled.

Carried

# 8. Adjournment

DB22-04-009

Moved by Board Member Dufour
Seconded by Board Member Dougherty

**That** the meeting be adjourned at 5:05 PM.

	Carried
Chair	
Recording Secretary	

April 21, 2022 9th Concession Drain, Sections 78 & 76 Report

							DAVE RUNCH	PULL & PAM BEZAIRE	Ton Howsen	WATO HOWSON	Kim Verbeet	Faul Yerz	Name
9							1460 SMR ESSEX	4179 R.D.E/WWDSOE	9728 CON 9	9703 con 9		4773- 9 (wn	Address
													Telephone
													E-mail
		-											