

**NORTH ALGONA WILBERFORCE  
SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL**

**July 24, 2020**

**1:00 PM**

**NOTE: SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED FROM THE PUBLIC EITHER ORALLY OR IN WRITING MAY  
BECOME PART OF THE PUBLIC RECORD**

**1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

**2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF**

**3. BUSINESS FOR WHICH MEETING WAS CALLED**

3.1 Road Work – Royal Pines

3.2 Request to change speed limit on Hwy 60 at Deacon

**4. CONFIRMING BY LAW**

By Law 2020-67 to confirm proceedings of council.

**5. ADJOURNMENT**



## **Township of North Algona Wilberforce COUNCIL / COMMITTEE REPORT**

|   |  |
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| <b>Title:</b><br><br><b>Royal Pines<br/>2020 Budgeted<br/>Work Update</b> | <b>Date:</b> July 24 <sup>th</sup><br>2020 |
|   | <b>Council/Committee:</b> Council          |
|   | <b>Author:</b> Andrew Sprunt CAO           |
|   | <b>Department:</b> Public Works            |

### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

That Council accepts the report and directs staff to proceed with work on Royal Pines Road not to exceed \$279,622.23.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The original road plan for 2020 was revised after RFP submissions came in more than \$600,000.00 over budget. Council approved a plan to negotiate with the lowest bidder a reduction in work that would bring the overall project in line with the budgeted amount.

Unfortunately, the reduction in work required the removal of work to be done to Royal Pines. Council expressed concern about dropping Royal Pines from the list and requested that staff look at what could possibly be done on the road in 2020. Staff stated that some work could take place in 2020 using operational road maintenance funds.

At this time through staff and contractor diligence and favorable road conditions after the winter there is \$219,622.23 remaining in the original budgeted amount. The Township has now been approved compensation for the 2019 high water issues from the province (\$60,000.00).

Staff and the original contractor have investigated what can be accomplished within the original awarded tender.

With the addition of the monies received from the province, and staying within the original RFP, and without changing quoted amounts 2.9 km of Royal Pines Road can be completed this year with the addition of the monies received from the province.

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There would be a small portion of the operations budget (\$12,000.00) that would be required for staff to prepare one portion of the road for the contractor. There would be some labour and equipment time also assigned to the project.

The contractor has expressed a willingness to do the work before the end of the summer.

It is the recommendation of staff that Council approves the work and funding for this project that is part of the 2020 budget plan.

With this work complete there will be the remaining 3 km of Royal Pines and the outstanding drainage work on Island View to be carried over to next year. It is advised that the Royal Pines and Island View remaining work will require extensive planning and should be reviewed by a third party.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

Do not continue with 2020 Road Rehabilitation Plan and carry monies over until next year.

Or

Provide alternate direction

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Budget Spread sheet

Scope of work

Original RFP bid sheet

Revised draft bid sheet (staff)

### **CONSULTATIONS:**

**Author:** \_\_\_\_\_  
signature

**Other:** \_\_\_\_\_  
signature

**Treasurer** \_\_\_\_\_  
signature

**C.A.O.** \_\_\_\_\_  
signature

**North Algona Wilberforce  
Public Works Capital Projects  
January 1 - July 23, 2020**

| <b>Road</b> | <b>Budget</b>  | <b>Spent</b> | <b>Balance</b> |
|-------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|
| Black Creek | 170,000.00     | 127,311.04   | 42,688.96      |
| Grist Mill  | 350,000.00     | 436,636.64   | -86,636.64     |
| Island view | 160,000.00     | 157,124.75   | 2,875.25       |
| McMillan    | 65,000.00      | 53,817.34    | 11,182.66      |
| Mink Lake   | 30,000.00      | 54,044.55    | -24,044.55     |
| Royal Pines | 280,000.00     |              | 280,000.00     |
| Tramore     | 0.00           | 6,443.45     | -6,443.45      |
| Total       | \$1,055,000.00 | \$835,377.77 | \$219,622.23   |
|             |                |              |                |

MDRA - McMillan Road

60,000.00

**Grant Total**

\$279,622.23

## Royal Pines Road Rehabilitation 2020

### Two Zones:

1. Highway 60 to Smith Bay Road 1.4km
2. County Road 30 to Germanicus Road 1.5km

### Zone one

- Pulverize 1400 metres
- 100 metres pulverized by others
- Apply gravel 1400 metres
- Final grade and compacting 1500 metres
- 2 Applications of surface treatment 1500 metres

### Zone two

- Pulverize 1500 metres
- Gravel application 1500 metres
- Final grading and compacting 1500 metres
- 2 applications of surface treatment 1500 metres
- 1 application of surface treatment 50 metres

Township will prepare road base 100 metre between Highway 60 and Smiths Bay Road

Pulverization to terminate prior to road intersections at Smiths Bay and Germanicus

**RFP 2020-PW01 Price Bid Form    ROYAL PINES RD**

| SECTION | ITEM DESCRIPTION   | UNIT  | QUANTITY<br>Required | LUMP<br>SUM   | UNIT<br>PRICE                     | TOTAL      |
|---------|--|-------|----------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|------------|
| A       | Mobilization and Demobilization                                    |       | 1                    | x<br>4,000.00 |                                   | 4,000.00   |
| B       | Traffic Control  |       | 1                    | 6,500.00      |                                   | 6,500.00   |
| C       | Environmental Protection   |       | 1                    | 4,500.00      |                                   | 4,500.00   |
| D       | "A" Gravel (OPSS 1010)   | TONNE | 8500                 |               | 18.00/+                           | 153,000.00 |
| E       | Entrance Cut and Restoration                                       |       |                      | 3,500.00      |                                   | 3,500.00   |
| F       | 50cm depth removal, replacement, compaction                        | m2    | 400m x 7m            |               | 30.00/m <sup>2</sup>              | 84,000.00  |
| G       | Geogrid Textile  | m2    | 1400                 |               | 3.65/m <sup>2</sup>               | 5,110.00   |
| H       | 4" Crushed   | TONNE | 400                  |               | 24.00/+                           | 9,600.00   |
| I       | Geotextile   | m2    | 1400                 |               | 3.65/m <sup>2</sup>               | 5,110.00   |
| J       | Pulverization  | m     | 2600m x 7m           |               | 120 <sup>x</sup> /m <sup>2</sup>  | 21,840.00  |
| K       | 2 Applications of Surface Treatment                                | m     | 3000m x 7m           |               | 5.50 <sup>x</sup> /m <sup>2</sup> | 115,500.00 |
| L       | 1 Application of Surface Treatment                                 | m     | 1900.00 x 7m         |               | 2.95 <sup>x</sup> /m <sup>2</sup> | 39,235.00  |
| M       | Single Line Painting   | m     | 5900m                |               | 1.25 <sup>x</sup> /m              | 7,375.00   |
| N       | Final Grading and Compacting of Road Cuts Before Surface Treatment | m     | 2600m x 7m           |               | 0.65 <sup>x</sup> /m <sup>2</sup> | 11,830.00  |

**TOTAL RFP \$** 471,300.00 **CDN**

**HST \$** 61,269.00 **CDN**

**TOTAL WITH HST RFP PRICE \$** 532,569.00 **CDN**

#### Part IV

##### Statement of Understanding

The Contractor has carefully examined the conditions and specifications attached and referred to in this contract, and has carefully examined the site and work location, and understands and accepts the said conditions and specifications, and for the prices set forth in this RFP, hereby offers to furnish all labour, equipment and materials, except as otherwise specified in the contract, to complete the work in strict accordance with said conditions and specifications.

Attached to this RFP is a certified cheque, in the amount of 10% of the total RFP, made payable to the Township. The proceeds of this cheque shall, upon acceptance of the RFP, constitute a deposit which shall be forfeited to the Township, if the Contractor fails to complete the work in accordance with the RFP documents.

This offer shall be irrevocable for a period of thirty (30) calendar days following the date of RFP opening.

I/We (the Contractor) promise to perform the work without undue delay and complete the work by August 31, 2020.

##### SIGNATURE PAGE


By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read and understand this RFP 2020-PW01 and I agree to abide by the terms and conditions contained herein.

|                   | TOTAL      | HST       | TOTAL WITH HST |
|-------------------|------------|-----------|----------------|
| Black Creek Road  | 188,813.75 | 24,545.79 | 213,359.54     |
| Island View Drive | 344,695.00 | 44,810.35 | 389,505.35     |
| Gristmill Road    | 539,100.00 | 70,083.00 | 609,183.00     |
| Royal Pines Road  | 471,300.00 | 61,269.00 | 532,569.00     |
| McMillan Road     | 52,210.00  | 6,787.30  | 58,997.30      |
| Mink Lake Road    | 47,610.00  | 6,189.30  | 53,799.30      |

Price Excluding HST \$ 1,643,728.75

HST \$ 213,684.74

Total RFP Amount \$ 1,857,413.49 CDN

  
Signature of Authorized Official  
(I have the authority to bind the company)

Kent Plummer  
Name

Greenwood Paving (Pembroke) Ltd  
Company Name

177 MacKay Street Pembroke, Ontario K8A 1C2

Address

**RFP 2020-PW01 Price Bid Form    ROYAL PINES RD**

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|---------|--|-------|----------------------|-------------|---------------|----------|
| A       | Mobilization and Demobilization                                    |       | 1                    | x           | 4000.00       | 4000.00  |
| B       | Traffic Control  |       | 1                    | x           | 3250.00       | 3250.00  |
| C       | Environmental Protection   |       | 1                    | x           | 1500.00       | 1500.0   |
| D       | "A" Gravel (OPSS 1010)   | TONNE | 2500                 |             | 18.00x        | 45000.00 |
| E       | Entrance Cut and Restoration                                       |       |                      | x           | 2000.00       | 2000.00  |
| F       | 50cm depth removal, replacement, compaction                        | m2    |                      |             | x             | 0        |
| G       | Geogrid Textile  | m2    |                      |             | x             | 0        |
| H       | 4" Crushed   | TONNE |                      |             | x             | 0        |
| I       | Geotextile   | m2    |                      |             | x             | 0        |
| J       | Pulverization  | m     | 2000m x 7m           |             | 1.20x         | 16800.00 |
| K       | 2 Applications of Surface Treatment                                | m     | 2000m x7m            |             | x             | 77000.00 |
| L       | 1 Application of Surface Treatment                                 | m     |                      |             | x             | 0        |
| M       | Single Line Painting   | m     |                      |             | x             | 0        |
| N       | Final Grading and Compacting of Road Cuts Before Surface Treatment | m     | 2000m x 7m           |             | x             | 9100.00  |

**TOTAL RFP \$ 158,650 CDN**

**HST \$ \_\_\_\_\_ CDN**

**TOTAL WITH HST RFP PRICE \$ \_\_\_\_\_ CDN**



April 7, 2020

## MOVED BY

- ☐ Mayor Brose  
☐ Councillor Buckwald,  
☐ Councillor Berndt  
☐ Councillor Reiche-Schoenfeldt  
☒ Councillor Robinson

## SECONDED BY

- ☐ Mayor Brose  
☐ Councillor Buckwald,  
☒ Councillor Berndt  
☐ Councillor Reiche-Schoenfeldt  
☐ Councillor Robinson

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**


**That Council awards RFP 2020-PW01 to Greenwood Paving for an amount not to exceed \$1,055,000.00 and that Royal Pines Road be deferred to 2021 as it does not conform to the definition of "Critical Infrastructure".**

**Further, that award is contingent on the province permitting the remaining projects.**

Carried: ☒ Defeated: \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn: \_\_\_\_\_

Declaration of Interest: \_\_\_\_\_ Recorded Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

| YES                                 | Voting                              | NO |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Councillor Doug Buckwald            |    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Councillor Melvin Berndt            |    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Councillor Janet Reiche-Schoenfeldt |    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Councillor Maria Robinson           |    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Mayor James Brose                   |    |

Mayor: 

Clerk: 



**North Algona Wilberforce Township**

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RR #1 Eganville, Ontario K0J 1T0

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July 23, 2020

The Honorable Caroline Mulroney  
Ministry of Transportation  
5th Floor  
777 Bay St.  
Toronto, ON  
M7A 1Z8

Dear Minister,

The Township of North Algona Wilberforce is small seasonal and tourist-oriented community that relies heavily on the ability to safely access and travel provincial Highway 60 that meanders through the centre of the township. Residents and visitors alike depend on safe access and egress from the highway at some of the most populated areas in the township fronting directly on the highway. This is especially true in the hamlet of Deacon on the west end of the Township. There are many seasonal and permanent dwellings as well as several of the township's major businesses.

A large portion of this area has a reduced speed limit of 70 kilometres per hour. The township is appreciative of this reduced zone as it slows traffic in the core of this populated area. It is believed that this has prevented accidents and potentially loss of life.

The speed reduction zone has been in place for many years, during that time the population has increased, traffic has increased and the hamlet residential core has expanded.

With these factors considered the Township of North Algona Wilberforce is requesting that the province of Ontario expand the speed reduction zone to include the area between Krantz Road and McMillian Road and that the maximum speed be reduced from 80 kilometres to 70 kilometres .

The Township looks forward to your timely consideration of this request.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Mayor James Brose

cc. Honorable Doug Ford  
MPP John Yakabuski  
Warden Debbie Robinson

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# Staff Report

## Infrastructure and Public Works

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**Report To:** Committee of the Whole  
**Meeting Date:** August 27, 2018  
**Report Number:** CSPW.18.068  
**Subject:** Follow-Up from Letter sent to MTO regarding the Speed Limit West of Thornbury  
**Prepared by:** Reg Russwurm, MBA, P.Eng, Director of Infrastructure and Public Works

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### A. Recommendations

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THAT Council receive Staff Report CSPW.18.068, entitled, "Follow-Up from Letter sent to MTO regarding the Speed Limit West of Thornbury" for their information.

### B. Overview

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This Report is presented to provide Council the follow-up correspondence to a letter Council directed Staff to send to the Ministry of Transportation.

### C. Background

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The current speed limit on Highway 26 from Landsdown Street to just prior to Peel Street, toward the Town of Meaford, changes from 50 km/h to 70km/h and then increases to 80km/h. On November 15, 2017 the Town of The Blue Mountains Committee of the Whole received correspondence from a resident regarding the proposal for a speed limit change on Highway 26 West at Peel Street to the 10th Line. On November 27, 2017, the Town of the Blue Mountains Council received correspondence from another resident of the Town in response to the request to reduce the speed limit on Highway 26.

On November 27, 2017 Council directed Staff to write a letter (Attachment #1) to the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) in London, requesting the speed limits on Highway 26 between Peel Street and the 10<sup>th</sup> Line in The Blue Mountains be reduced. The certified resolution regarding this recommendation is provided as Attachment #2. In addition, the Town made a deputation in January 2018 to the Ministry of Transportation at the annual Rural Ontario Municipal Association Conference that included requesting this speed reduction.

On August 1, 2018, Staff received a letter from the MTO, Engineering Office Traffic Section (West Region) in response. The letter is dated July 16, 2018 and is provided as Attachment #3. The letter confirms that based on accepted traffic engineering principles and the MTO's review, the existing regulatory speed limit of 80km/h for the section of highway in question is appropriate.

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#### **D. Analysis**

None.

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#### **E. The Blue Mountains Strategic Plan**

Goal #4: Promote a Culture of Organizational & Operational Excellence

Objective #3 To Consistently Deliver Excellent Customer Service

Objective #5 Constantly Identify Opportunities to Improve Efficiencies and Effectiveness

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#### **F. Environmental Impacts**

None.

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#### **G. Financial Impact**

None.

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#### **H. In Consultation With**

None.

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#### **I. Public Engagement**

The topic of this Staff Report has not been subject to a Public Meeting and/or a Public Information Centre as neither a Public Meeting nor a Public Information Centre are required.

The residents who presented correspondence to Committee and Council have been made aware that this Report is coming forward.

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#### **J. Attached**

1. Attachment # 1 - Letter dated December 6, 2017 from Reg Russwurm to Heather Hanson, Traffic Supervisor, MTO
2. Attachment # 2 – Certified Resolution from Town of The Blue Mountains Council, dated November 27, 2017
3. Attachment # 3 – Letter from the Ministry of Transportation, dated July 16, 2018

**Reg Russwurm**

Reg Russwurm, MBA, P.Eng  
Director of Infrastructure and Public Works

For more information, please contact:  
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[directoripw@thebluemountains.ca](mailto:directoripw@thebluemountains.ca)  
519-599-3131 extension 260



# Town of The Blue Mountains

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**OFFICE OF:** Reg Russwurm, MBA, P.Eng.  
Director of Infrastructure & Public Works  
Email: [REDACTED]  
Phone: 519-599-3131 Ext 260

December 6, 2017

By-Mail

IPW FILE # I41-SPEEDLIMIT-02

Heather Hanson  
Traffic Supervisor  
Ministry of Transportation  
659 Exeter Road  
London, ON  
N6E 1L3

**RE: Correspondence to Town of The Blue Mountains Council, November 15, 2017  
and November 27, 2017 regarding the Proposal for Ministry of Transportation  
Speed Limit Change on Highway 26**

Dear Ms. Hanson,

On November 15, 2017 the Town of The Blue Mountains Committee of the Whole received correspondence from a resident regarding the proposal for a speed limit change on Highway 26 West at Peel Street to the 10<sup>th</sup> Line. On November 27, 2017, the Town of the Blue Mountains Council received correspondence from another resident of the Town in response to the request to reduce the speed limit on Highway 26.

The current speed limit on Highway 26 from Landsdown Street to just prior to Peel Street, toward the Town of Meaford, changes from 50 km/h to 70km/h and then increases to 80km/h. Refer to Attachment #1.

Through correspondence to Council, requests have been made to adjust the speed limit west of Landsdown Road in Thornbury. Staff have reviewed the requests and compiled the ask on Attachment #2.

A copy of the correspondence to Council has been provided with this letter which will further explain the concerns and reason behind the request for a speed limit reduction on Highway 26.

Please consider the speed reduction proposal for the connecting link portion east of Peel Street and the portion on Highway 26 west of Peel Street. Your quick attention to this request would be appreciated.

If you have any further questions or concerns, please contact the undersigned.

Yours Truly,

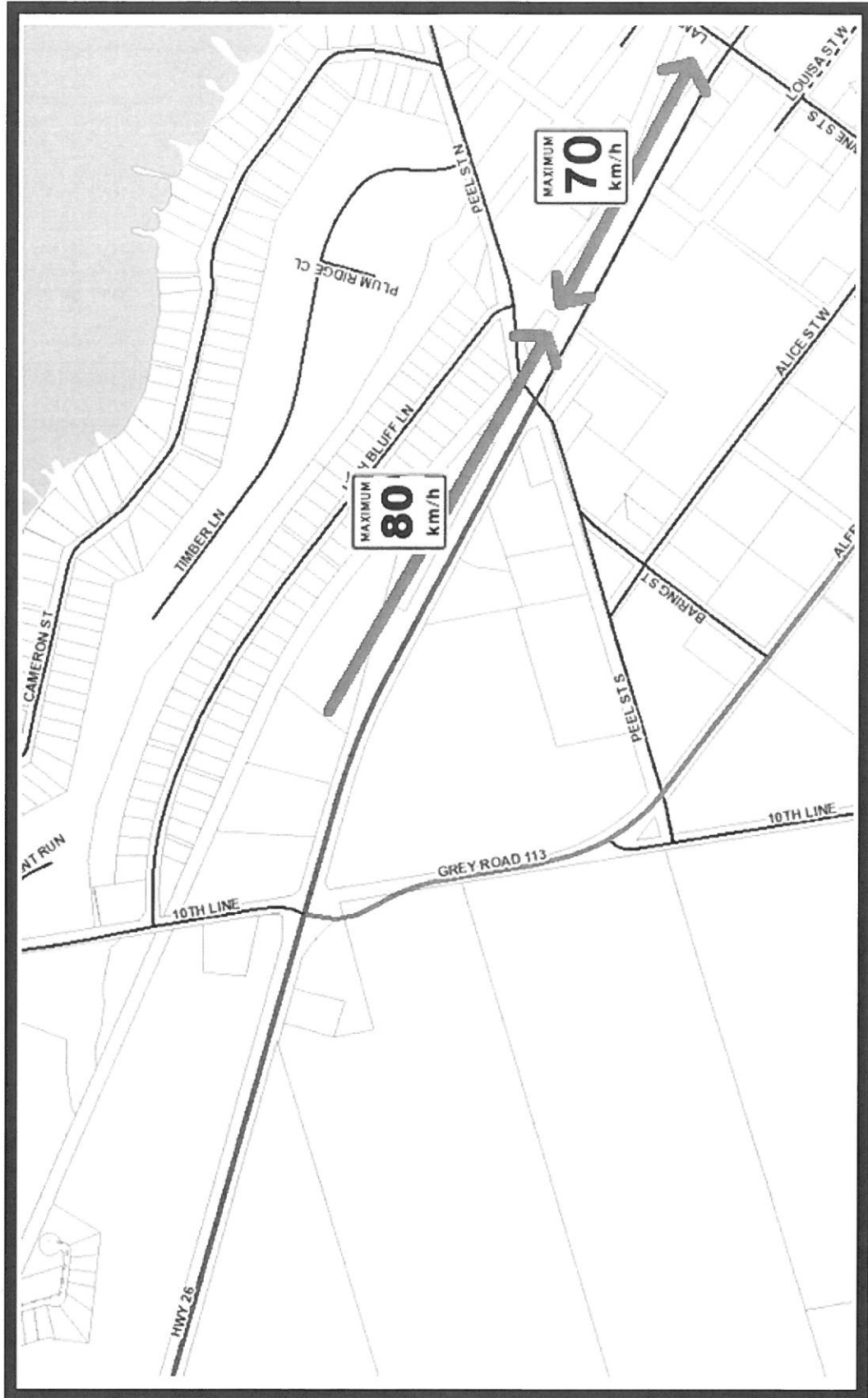
**Reg Russwurm**

Reg Russwurm, MBA, P.Eng.  
Director of Infrastructure & Public Works Department  
Town of The Blue Mountains, ON  
RR/jh

Enclosed: (1) Map: Current Speed Limits on Highway 26  
(2) Map: Proposed Speed Limits on Highway 26

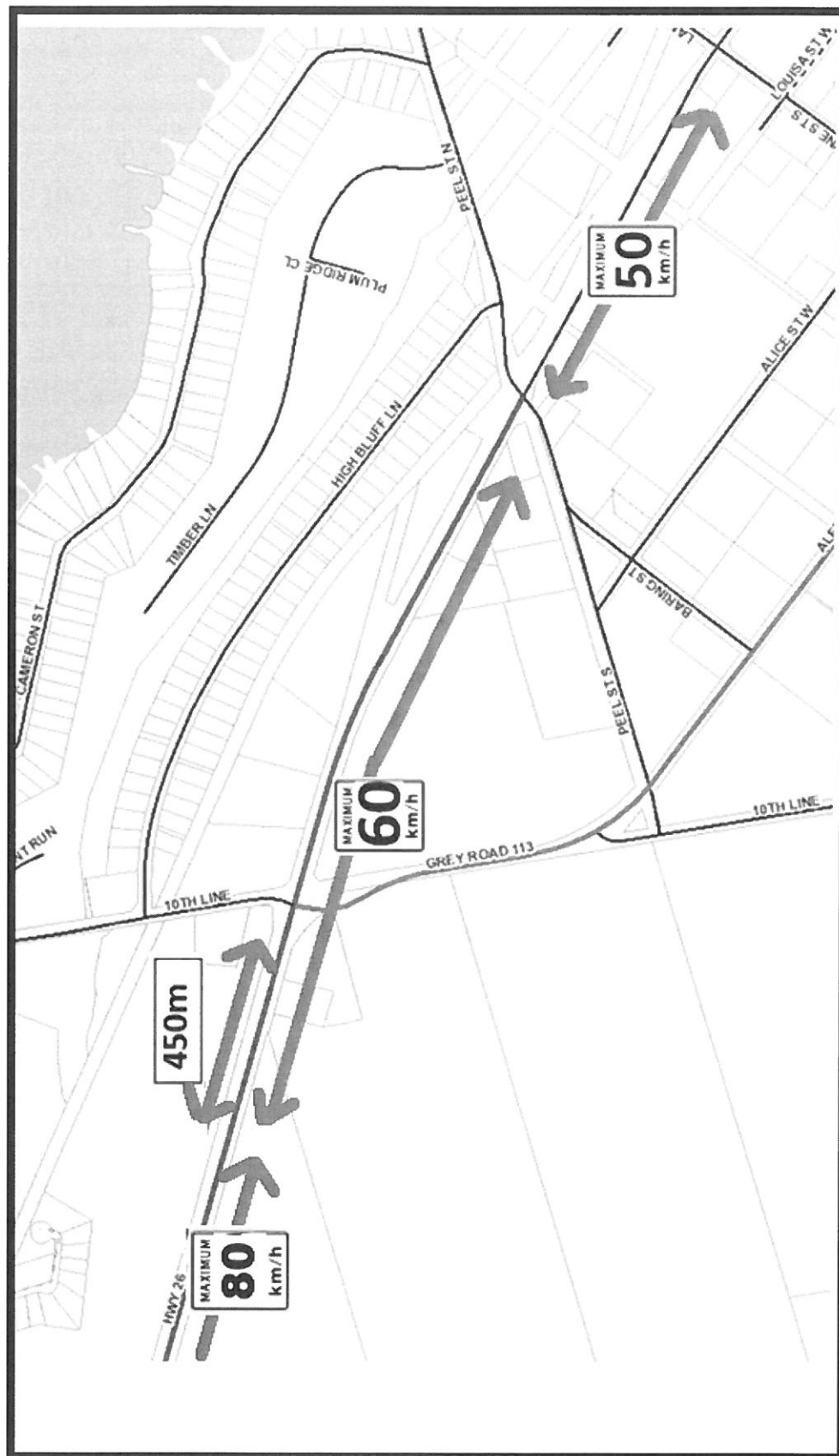
CC: Council, Town of The Blue Mountains (by mail)  
Jim McCannell, Manager of Roads and Drainage, Town of The Blue Mountains (via email)  
Martin Mayr, resident (via email)  
Kyle and Debby Oakley, resident (via email)

Current Speed Limits on Highway 26  
Attachment # 1





Proposed Speed Limits on Highway 26  
Attachment # 2





## Town of The Blue Mountains

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November 27, 2017

Moved by: R.J. Gamble

Seconded by: Joe Halos

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives the deputation of Martin Mayr providing a proposal to reduce the speed limit on Highway 26 between Peel Street and the 10<sup>th</sup> Line in The Blue Mountains;

AND THAT Council directs staff to write a letter to the Ministry of Transportation in London requesting the speed limits on Highway 26 between Peel Street and the 10<sup>th</sup> Line in The Blue Mountains be reduced, and to include the concern in the Town's delegation to the Ministry of Transportation at the Rural Ontario Municipal Association conference, and the Ontario Good Roads Association conference, **CARRIED**.

CERTIFIED TO BE A TRUE COPY

**-Original Signed-**

.....  
Krista Royal, Deputy Clerk

**Ministry of Transportation**  
Engineering Office  
Traffic Section  
West Region

659 Exeter Road  
London, Ontario N6E 1L3  
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**Ministère des Transports**  
Bureau du génie  
Section de la circulation routière  
Région de l'Ouest

659, chemin Exeter  
London (Ontario) N6E 1L3  
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Télécopieur: (519) 873-4388



July 16, 2018

Mr. Reg Russwurm  
Director of Infrastructure and Public Works Dept.  
Town of The Blue Mountains  
32 Mill Street, Box 310  
Thornbury ON  
N0H 2P0

Dear Mr. Russwurm:

**RE: Highway 26  
Speed Limit Change West of Thornbury**

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Dear Mr. Russwurm,

Thank you for the letter regarding the speed limit on Highway 26 at the west end of Thornbury.

When setting speed limits, the Ministry of Transportation considers the geometry of the highway, the amount and type of development adjacent to the highway, collision history and driver expectations.

Research has shown that a lowered speed limit is not likely to reduce vehicle speeds where drivers do not see a reason to slow down. The principles of driver expectation suggest that lower speed limits are associated with built up areas that have numerous accesses to and from the highway.

Ministry staff conducted a field review and a spot speed study along Highway 26 on July 11<sup>th</sup> 2018. The study was within the existing 80 km/h speed zone at the west end of Thornbury to confirm existing operating conditions. In general, it was found that 85 percent of eastbound traffic was travelling below 89 km/h, while 85 percent of westbound traffic was travelling below 86 km/h.

Based on accepted traffic engineering principles, our review confirms that the existing regulatory speed limit of 80 km/h for this section of Highway 26 is appropriate.

Thank you for your interest in highway safety.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.



Sophie Vaillancourt, EIT  
Traffic Section  
West Region, London



# Automated Speed Limit Guidelines

## FORM A - Automated Speed Limit Guidelines Spreadsheet

Version:  
10-Apr-09

|                                |                            |  |               |      |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|--|---------------|------|
| Name of Corridor:              | Highway 26 - Thornbury     |  |               |      |
| Segment Evaluated:             | 25680 6.5                  | to   | 25680 5.6     |      |
| Geographic Region:             | West Region                |  |               |      |
| Road Agency:                   | Ministry of Transportation |  |               |      |
| Road Classification:           | Highway                    | Length of Corridor:  | 900           | m    |
| Urban / Rural:                 | Rural                      | Design Speed: (Required for Freeway, Expressway, Highway)  | 100           | km/h |
| Divided / Undivided:           | Undivided                  | Current Posted Speed: (For information only)               | 80            | km/h |
| Major / Minor:                 | Minor                      | Prevailing Speed: (85th Percentile - for information only) | 89 EB & 86 WB | km/h |
| # Through Lanes Per Direction: | 1 lane                     | Policy: (Maximum Posted Speed)                             | 80            | km/h |

| RISK |   | Score                 |    |
|------|---|-----------------------|----|
| A1   | GEOMETRY (Horizontal)                                 | Medium                | 6  |
| A2   | GEOMETRY (Vertical)                                   | Lower                 | 3  |
| A3   | AVERAGE LANE WIDTH                                    | Medium                | 10 |
| B    | ROADSIDE HAZARDS                                      | Medium                | 8  |
| C1   | PEDESTRIAN EXPOSURE                                   | Lower                 | 1  |
| C2   | CYCLIST EXPOSURE                                      | Lower                 | 1  |
| D    | PAVEMENT SURFACE                                      | Lower                 | 2  |
| E1   | NUMBER OF INTERSECTIONS WITH PUBLIC ROADS             | Number of Occurrences | 1  |
|      | STOP controlled intersection                          | 0                     |    |
|      | Signalized intersection                               | 0                     |    |
|      | Roundabout or traffic circle                          | 0                     |    |
|      | Crosswalk   | 0                     |    |
|      | Active, at-grade railroad crossing                    | 0                     |    |
|      | Sidestreet STOP-controlled or lane                    | 2                     |    |
| E2   | NUMBER OF INTERSECTIONS WITH PRIVATE ACCESS DRIVEWAYS | Number of Occurrences | 1  |
|      | Left turn movements permitted                         | 1                     |    |
|      | Right-in / Right-out only                             | 0                     |    |
| E3   | NUMBER OF INTERCHANGES                                | Number of Occurrences | 0  |
|      | Number of interchanges along corridor                 | 0                     |    |
| F    | ON-STREET PARKING                                     | N/A                   | 0  |

Total Risk Score:

33

Recommended Posted  
Speed Limit (km/h):

As determined by road characteristics

80

As determined by policy

80

The recommended posted speed limit may be checked against the prevailing speeds of the roadway and the road's safety performance.

Comments:



## Town of The Blue Mountains

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<https://www.thebluemountains.ca>

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**OFFICE OF:** Mayor Alar Soever

Email: [REDACTED]

Phone: 519-599-3131 Ext 400

**Sent via E-mail**

July 6, 2020

Premier Doug Ford  
Legislative Building  
Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1  
Email: [REDACTED]

Dear Premier Ford:

**RE: Vehicular Traffic and Safe Capacity on Local Beaches**

The Town of The Blue Mountains is one of Ontario's premier tourist destinations and, with the current desire for staycations we are being over-run by visitors from the GTA. This is causing issues in managing increased vehicular traffic and the safe capacity on our beaches. We have taken the position that as Ontarians we are all in this together and therefore from the beginning, we have been reluctant to ban visitors.

We in the Town of The Blue Mountains are doing our best to manage the situation. For example, we have hired 8 additional by-law officers for the summer. We will have a by-law staff of 13 for the summer, this for a community with a permanent population of 7,025, or the equivalent of the City of Toronto having a by-law staff in excess of 5,000.

These officers will manage parking, as well as safety and social distancing at our parks and beaches. This has already paid dividends as our by-law being present was instrumental in two successful water rescues carried out by our fire department in the last few weeks. We have had excellent cooperation from our OPP detachment as well.

We cannot manage the situation we find ourselves in alone and therefore we have two simple asks from your government, neither of which require funding, only quick action:

- 1) As an urgent safety matter, we ask the Province to temporarily reduce the speed limit on Highway 26 to 50 kmph from a point 300 m west of the entrance to Craigleith Provincial Park to the east end of the village of Craigleith, as is done for construction zones. With the large number of people crossing the highway on foot to access the waterfront and the heavier than normal traffic volume, it is almost a certainty there will be a fatality there in the near future.
- 2) Increase the amount of usable waterfront at Craigleith Provincial Park by cancelling campsites along the waterfront and converting the area to day use. We have very little usable beachfront and this would greatly alleviate the overcrowding on our beaches.

We look forward to your timely consideration of these two requests.

Yours Truly,

  
Mayor Alar Soever  
Town of The Blue Mountains

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