



To: Council
From: Ross Gellately, Director of Public Works
Date of Meeting: January 12, 2022
Subject: By-law No. 2022-003 to Repeal By-law No. 2021-092 and Amend By-law No. 2020-011 Seasonal Closure of Specified Sidewalks

Recommendation:

That By-law No. 2022-003, being a by-law to repeal By-law No. 2021-092 and to amend By-law No. 2020-011, Seasonal Closure of Specified Sidewalks, be read and passed in open Council, signed and sealed, this 12th day of January 2022.

Executive Summary:

By-law No. 2020-011 introduced the seasonal closure of specified sidewalks as specified in *Section 16.8(1) of O. Reg. 239/02 Minimum Maintenance Standards for Municipal Highways (MMS)* allows for a Municipality to close a highway or part of a highway by by-law.

This by-law specifies which sidewalks within the Township will be maintained from November 1 to April 1 of each year. The balance of the sidewalks will be deemed closed and "in a state of repair" as specified in the MMS regulation during this period.

In December 2021, Council directed staff to include the sidewalk on Hoople Street from Elm Street to Wales Drive and a section of sidewalk on Wales Drive from Hoople Street to Elm Street. This amendment will add this section of sidewalk to the list of sidewalks maintained in the winter season (November 1st to April 1st) by the Township.

Alignment with Community Strategic Plan:

Goal 2: Sustainable Infrastructure
Objective 2.1: Servicing Capacity

Risk and Asset Management Considerations:

Adding this section of sidewalk to the list of sidewalks maintained in the winter season provides communication to residents to meet the requirements of MMS.

Options:

1. Council adds this section of sidewalk to the winter maintenance list.
2. Other

Financial Impact:

There will be no financial impact with this service modification

Others Consulted:

Public Works Supervisor

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