



TOWN OF MINTO

MEETING DATE: December 3, 2024
REPORT TO: Mayor and Council
SERVICE AREA: Public Works / Finance
SUBJECT: PW 2024-029 - Municipal Drain Maintenance Assessments

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT the Council of the Town of Minto hereby receives Report PW 2024-029 Municipal Drain Maintenance Assessments, prepared by the Drainage Superintendent and Treasurer, for information purposes;

AND FURTHER THAT the Council of the Town of Minto considers passage of the related Assessment By-Law in open session.

BACKGROUND

The Drainage Act, R.S.O. is one of the oldest pieces of legislation in Ontario with its roots under Common Law. The process to establish a Municipal Drain and assess its costs is established under this Act. Once a Drain has been created, its ongoing maintenance is covered under Section 74. This legislation allows the cost of authorized maintenance and repair works to be assessed against all upstream lands and roads in the watershed of the Drain.

COMMENTS:

Drainage Superintendent Ryan Binkle has coordinated drain maintenance on the many Drains included in the Schedules of Assessment of Maintenance. The works were carried out by qualified contractors and the final costs and assessments were calculated. The final calculations are:

Drain	Year of Maintenance	By-Law(s)	Repair Amount	Assessment less Allowances
1	2022	1055	\$47,225.06	\$33,580.39
1	2023	1055	\$3,954.16	\$2,747.91
1	2024	1055	\$30,633.08	\$21,507.74

15	2023-2024	1057	\$47,699.84	\$32,493.53
107	2024	29-88	\$14,900.84	\$10,203.29

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

The Town of Minto has paid all amounts due to contractors. The Town is also responsible for all costs assessed against municipally owned lands under these drainage assessments. Drainage assessments which are not paid upon receipt of a valid invoice may be collected in the same manner as property taxes.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 1: Manage our Infrastructure

Maintain, renew, and expand our municipally owned infrastructure to enhance healthy growth and our environment.

PREPARED BY: Ryan Binkle, Drainage Superintendent
Gordon Duff, Treasurer

RECOMMENDED BY: Gregg Furtney, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)

Attachments:

Drain maps & Schedules of Assessment