



TOWN OF MINTO

DATE: June 26, 2018

REPORT TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Mike McIsaac Road Foreman

SUBJECT: Speed Reduction 12th Line and Pike Lake Sideroad

STRATEGIC PLAN

Develop a transportation plan that includes a roads and bridges inventory and capital replacement program keeping in mind sustainable funding sources, impact on tax rate, and minimum construction and maintenance standards.

BACKGROUND

Town staff has received inquiries regarding the speed of vehicular traffic and public safety/pedestrian safety on Pike Lake Sideroad between Hwy 89 and the 12th Line and on the 12th Line between the County Road 6 and the Pike Lake Sideroad from the commercial and passenger vehicles generated from the local businesses in the area with residents requesting a speed reduction in these areas to 60km/h. The road segments in question are highlighted in red below.



COMMENTS

Due to the volume and mix of recreational, residential and commercial users of these road segments compiled with the current horizontal and vertical curve alignments, narrow surface width, private driveway access locations and other roadside hazards, staff agrees the lower requested speed limit is warranted. Although traffic studies do not indicate speeding infractions or a history of collision reports at the current speed limit of 80km/h in this area, the reduced speed limit will help to maximize general safety with the growing users of the area.

In February the Mayor, C.A.O. Clerk and Public Works staff met with the quarry owners along the 12th Line to discuss road maintenance and traffic issues. They were willing to meet further on road reconstruction when design information is available. In the spring the Town received a petition from many area residents concerned about potholes and road damage caused mainly by heavy truck traffic. Public Works completed some hot mix patches that will hold for the time being, but reducing speed and directing more truck traffic to County Road 6 as soon as possible helps reduce wear and tear on the road.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Costs associated with the implementation of the lower speed limit will be covered under the 2018 Operating Budget

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the Road Foreman's May 26, 2018 report Speed Reduction 12th Line and Pike Lake Sideroad and considers a bylaw in regular session approving a speed limit of 60km/h on Pike Lake Sideroad from Hwy 89 to the 12th Line of Minto and the 12th Line from Pike Lake Sideroad to County Road 6 of Minto.

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