



**TOWNSHIP OF ESSA
TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2023 – 3:15 p.m.
ZOOM MEETING
MINUTES**

In attendance: Mayor Sandie Macdonald, Chair
Councillor Henry Sander
Michael Mikael, Manager of Public Works
Eric Steele, OPP, Chair
Michael Owen, Ward 1 Committee Representative
Rick Foley, Ward 2 Committee Representative
Dan Tucker, Ward 3 Committee Representative
Vanessa Kupch, Secretary

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

Sgt. Eric Steele opened the meeting at 3:15 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by: Foley Seconded by: Sander

Be it resolved that the Agenda as presented be approved.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by: Sander Seconded by: Owen

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Traffic Advisory Committee meeting dated September 20, 2022, be approved as printed.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 Barrie Collingwood Railway Active Transportation Trail (BCRY) Preliminary Roll Plans Illustrating the Trails options and corresponding typical cross sections.

4.3 Transportation & Trails Master Plan Public meeting

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 County Road 21 & 56 Roundabout Construction by Simcoe County
Construction is Scheduled to begin this summer. Traffic Management Plan impact on Essa Local Road network.

5.4 Resident Concerns:

DATE	CONCERN LOCATION:	CONCERN:
October 10, 2022	5068 25 th Side Road	Speeding concerns; the speed drops to 60 km/h closer to the village of Baxter. The resident would like to see it dropped closer to the row of houses (south of the old dump). Vehicles are going past at speeds higher than 80 km/h. The Resident explained that when the school is let out, due to traffic congestion in front of the school, cars are speeding through the subdivision to get to County Road 21. They turn onto Marshall Crescent and come out at Richard Street.
October 2022	160 Murphy Road Baxter	Concerns with the speed of traffic through Baxter.
October 2022	5801 County Road 21	Concerns with the speed of traffic on County Road 21.
October 2022	180 Murphy Road, Baxter	Extremely frustrated with traffic through Baxter.
October 2022	5614 County Road 21	Concerns with traffic flow
October 2022	5543 20 th Sideroad	Concerns of the truck traffic from Decast
October 2022	128 Denney Drive	Excessive Speeding Concerns
October 2022	6500 5 th Line	Excessive Speeding Concerns
April 3, 2023	County Road 27	The resident concerns are very high speeding, passing school bus when children are getting off, dangerous passing of vehicles when other vehicles are turning into driveways. With a daily traffic volume of 12,900 vehicles on County Road 27
May 8, 2023	Brian Avenue	Resident requested a speed bump to be placed along Brian Avenue by the school. Traffic and speed have increased on Lee and Brian Avenue since the speed bump was placed on Cecil Street

6. OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 Round Table Comments/Questions.

The Manager of Public Works noted that County Road 21 & 56 Roundabout Construction by Simcoe County will commence in early July. There will be four different phases of road closures regarding the Traffic Management Plan to impact Essa Local Road Network.

The Manager of Public Works noted that there will be lights installed on Denny Drive by the developer this year.

The Manager of Public Works mentioned there will be automated speed limit on 20th Sideroad to the 9th Line to address speed concerns.

Sgt. Eric Steele will be increasing enforcement on County Road 27 to address speeding and residents' concerns of vehicles passing school buses.

The Manager of Public Works will be adding speed enforcement cameras on Cecil Street this year. He will collect traffic data from Brian Avenue before moving the speed bump along Brian Avenue.

Dan Tucker introduced himself to the Committee.

7. ESTABLISH DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next Traffic Advisory Committee meeting will be scheduled virtually for September 5, 2023, at 3:15 p.m.

Thank you to everyone for their attendance and input during this term of Council.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Sander Seconded by: Foley

Be it resolved that this meeting of the Traffic Advisory Committee of the Township of Essa adjourn at 3:50 PM.