

Monthly Report

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General Drainage Update

1. I assisted the clerk in planning a second onsite meeting for the new petition drain in the Smith municipal drain watershed that will need to take place following a low attendance at the initial meeting as a technical issue providing a mailing list occurred and a large section of the watershed landowners did not receive the invitations. The *Drainage Act* requires every landowner to be invited to official meetings when a new engineer's report will affect them in the future. The mail-out of the second onsite meeting was sent to owners to let them know the meeting would repeat the same information shared with the landowners.
2. I received a request from OMAFA for supporting documentation so they would accept the grant application for the "emergency work" of Mill Creek already submitted in 2023. I submitted the documents until OMAFA was satisfied with the details shared. We began to work on the final schedule of assessment of the completed Mill Creek project.
3. I assisted the finance department by reviewing the assessment schedules to assess the cost for the municipal drains where the 2024 maintenance work completion. We also reviewed some municipal drain schedules where work in neighboring municipalities affected landowners in Champlain which is part of the watershed.
4. We received a few land severance requests and sent recommendations/ comments to have the engineer's report updated during the severance procedures



to keep the assessment schedule up to date to be able to keep performing maintenance with actual data to assess fair cost shares for each parcel of land as required by the *Ontario Drainage Act*.

Respectfully submitted by

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