



**TOWNSHIP OF ESSA
TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, September 5, 2023 – 3:15 p.m.

ZOOM MEETING

In attendance:

Mayor Sandie Macdonald, Chair
Councillor Henry Sander
Michael Mikael, Manager of Public Works
Colleen Healey-Dowdall CAO
Eric Steele, OPP, Chair
Michael Owen, Ward 1 Community Representative
Dan Tucker, Ward 3 Community Representative
Rick Foley, Ward 2 Community Representative
Vanessa Kupch, Secretary

Regrets: Sgt Chris McConnell

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

Mayor Sandie Macdonald opened the meeting at 3:17 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by: Foley Seconded by: Henry

Be it resolved that the Agenda as presented be approved.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by: Foley Seconded by: Henry

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Traffic Advisory Committee meeting dated May 16, 2023, be approved as printed.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 County Road 21 & 56 Roundabout Construction by Simcoe County
Construction started in August ,2023. High traffic impact on Essa Local Road network was discussed. The County's updated traffic management plan was also discussed to eliminate high traffic volumes on the Township Local Roads. Further information can be found on Essa Township's website.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Automated speed enforcement going live on November 7th, 2023. There is now a section on Essa Township's website for information on the ASE.

5.6 Resident Concerns:

DATE	CONCERN LOCATION	CONCERN
May 19, 2023	32 Coulson Avenue	Resident is requesting speed bumps on Coulson Avenue due to increased speed and drivers racing up the street.
May 27, 2023	Marshall Crescent	Resident is requesting for speed bumps to be installed on Marshall Crescent.
April 26, 2023	Meadowland Blvd, Thornton	Resident is requesting two speed bumps to be removed. The first speed bump is in between 2 stop signs that are 200 meters apart. So, a stop sign, 100 meters and then a speed bump, another 100 meters and a stop sign. The second speed bump is near the dead end of Meadowland Blvd.
April 27, 2023	11 th Line	Resident is requesting for the speed limit on the 10 th Sideroad by the 11 th Line to be reduced to 60 km.
May 19, 2023	58 Simcoe Street	Resident is requesting for speed bump in front of his home to be moved due to him loosing parking space on the road for his truck trailer during the summer months.
May 27, 2023	8 Marshall Crescent	Resident is requesting speed bumps to be installed Marshall Crescent. Reported speeding along Marshall Crescent, from Denny to the train tracks.
May 29, 2023	McKinnon Road	Resident is requesting speed bumps to be installed along McKinnon Road. Resident would also like to see Clearview reopen the bridge on Concession Road 2, to have an alternative route to alleviate traffic congestion between County Road 90 and County Road 10/26.
May 30, 2023	11 th Line	Resident very concerned with drivers racing on the 11 th Line.

May 26, 2023	Malcolm Street	Resident has concerns regarding speed bumps in various parts of Angus. She noted that some drivers will go directly in the middle of the speed bump which is unsafe for oncoming traffic. She also noted that some drivers are ignoring stop signs throughout Essa.
May 29, 2023	Mill Street	Resident has requested for police to do patrols along the section of Mill Street, across from the high school. He has also requested for the speed limit to be reduced to 40km/hr in this area.
June 6, 2023	Stoddart Street	Resident is requesting speed bumps to be placed on Stoddart Street in Thornton due to an increase of East bound traffic on Robert Street. Drivers will use Stoddart Street as a short cut when the traffic lights are red at Highway 27, which causes safety concerns of speeding and a noise disturbance.
June 6, 2023	Thornton Avenue	Resident has requested for speed bumps to be placed on Thornton Avenue, near County Road 27.
July 6, 2023	25 th Sideroad	Resident is concerned of speeding and distracted driving at various intersections in Essa, including the 25 th Sideroad and County Road 56, the 25 th Sideroad and the 8 th Sideroad, and County Road 56 and the 10 th Sideroad. She has reported that she has witnessed several accidents within these locations and would like to see more Police Patrols and perhaps lights to reduce speeding.
June 25, 2023	Willoughby Road	Concerns of speeding on Willoughby Road during the evening. Has requested for OPP to add this section in to their speed control rotation. Resident has requested "gates" or flexible delineator posts to slow down drivers rather than speed bumps.
June 25, 2023	Greenwood Drive	Request to have speed bumps between bridge and 4 th and between bridge and Greenwood Drive.
June 25, 2023	Greenwood Drive	Request to have a 3 way stop at Greenwood Drive and the 4 th .

July 24, 2023	Stoddart Street	Concerns of excessive speeding on Stoddart Street by Victoria Street, as drivers have been using this road as a bypass.
July 24, 2023	Barrie Street	Concerns of drivers traveling with excessive speed on Barrie Street by Meadowland Blvd., north bound.
July 24, 2023	Barrie Street	Concerns of excessive high speeding, dangerous passing as residents are pulling into driveways on Barrie Street, just north of County Road 21.
July 24, 2023	County Road 27	Concerns of very dangerous passing of heavy trucks as they are pulling into driveways and excessive high speeding on County Road 27 just south of the 9 th Line.
July 24, 2023	Barrie Street	Concerns of excessive speeding and dangerous passing on Barrie Street, just south of the cemetery.
July 24, 2023	177 Barrie Street	Concerns of dangerous passing, excessive speeding, and stunt driving daily.
July 24, 2023	Barrie Street	Request to have the cross walk on Barrie Street and Robert Street to be repainted as several people use this cross walk to get ice cream.
July 25, 2023	Coulson Avenue	Resident has reported increased speeding and racing up the street on Coulson Avenue therefore, he has requested for speed bumps to be installed.
Augst 11, 2023	Centre Street	Resident concerned of speeding along Centre Street, even with speed bumps implemented. She also has requested for no parking to be implemented on both sides of Centre Street as it causes visibility issues when she is pulling out of her driveway at 199 Centre Street. She has had many incidents that could have resulted in an accident as she cannot see oncoming traffic when pulling out of her driveway.

August 11, 2023	9 th Line	Resident concerned with speeding along the 9 th Line, she is requesting for the 9 th Line speed to be reduced to 50km/hr. She has reported that drivers are speeding and passing her son's school bus while it is at a stop to drop her son off. She has also mentioned that drivers are failing to stop at the stop sign on the 9 th Line and 30 th Sideroad.
August 21, 2023	Strong Street & Mount Crescent	Resident concerned with drivers failing to stop at the corner of Strong Street and Mount Crescent. The stop sign is currently being blocked by a light post.
August 28, 2023	Vernon Street	Resident concerned with excessive speeding on Vernon Street. She has witnessed her neighbour's pets being hit by drivers that are speeding down this road. She believes drivers are utilizing this road as a shortcut/bypass to access County Road 10. She has requested for stop signs to be placed at the intersection of Vernon Street and Sandsprings Crescent as this may slow down drivers.

6 OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 Round Table Comments/Questions.

Rick Foley, Ward 2 Community Representative has requested cross walks in Thornton, specifically Barrie Street and County Road 21, be repaved.

Traffic that has been directed to the 8th Line due to the roundabout construction will be monitored for the next two weeks. Sgt. Eric Steele will have patrols monitor the speed along the 8th Line.

7. ESTABLISH DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next Traffic Advisory Committee meeting will be scheduled virtually for Tuesday January 9th, 2023.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Sander

Seconded by: Henry

Be it resolved that this meeting of the Traffic Advisory Committee of the Township of Essa adjourn at 4:00 p.m.