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VIA EMAIL

Dear Bryan,

**RE: Assumed Road Conditions**

First, let me thank you and Brenda for meeting with me on October 12, 2017 regarding the new policy on Seasonal Level of Service (SLOS) for Un-Assumed and Private Roads. Our Board met recently and we have agreed to perform title searches on all roads around the lake and will share that information with you. I expect this will happen before year end. We have also published the SLOS policy on our website, written a blurb about the change in our last newsletter, and will be advising owners of road ownership once our title searches are completed. We hope these actions will be mutually beneficial.

As our Board discussed this Policy our attention turned quickly to the condition of various Assumed Roads around the lake and the picture is not particularly good. We completed condition maps of the roads and took a number of pictures which are included with this letter/email. As a general comment most gravel roads are not too bad, but many of the paved/semi paved roads need work and in many cases pot holes exceed the City's own standards for depth and size. Our comments, by highest severity are as follows;

**Lakeside Drive**

Worst road by far as the paved surface was graded over with gravel and we now have a severe washboard surface which is very hard to control vehicles on unless at a crawl.

**Hugill Hill**

Generally the gravel section is average, however, there is an S turn right before the hill at Weldon Drive with significant pot holes on only one side of the road. The tendency is to move to the smooth side of the road where there could be oncoming traffic. Definitely a safety issue and a liability issue for the City.

**Ledge Hill Road**

While not a lake access road it is a road used by most owners for the landfill. As you leave 121 going up the hill there are more patched pot holes than paved road, not to mention ongoing new pot holes

**7th Concession to 5th Concession – North Line**

All in disrepair, sections where there are more patches than pavement and on-going new pot holes. The intersection at 6<sup>th</sup>/Northline is a mess with very significant pot holes. 5th Concession is slightly worse than 7th.

Another safety issue is the pot holes on the corner where the 7th meets North line at the S curve. Cars will move over to the smooth parts on a blind corner which creates a significantly safety and liability issue.

**Island Drive – Rustic Trail – Hill Side**

Average to Good – just a few minor pot holes.

Bryan, you know as well as any of us that the biggest issue we will face is the condition in the spring. With the thaw freeze situation through the winter existing patches will be lifted out and new ones created. There are also some asphalt paved sections that may get lifted by the snow plows. On 7<sup>th</sup>, there are significant cracks in the pavement which will fill with water during the thaw freeze creating an even worse situation by spring. I think we all understand that patching is a short term fix.

I had understood from Gord and Andy that there was a more long term plan for fixing our roads and a funding plan in process, but other than some repairs on Northline south of 5<sup>th</sup> we just have not seen anything material to this effect. We are seeing a clear frustration from cottage and home owners around the lake (who typically pay more per capita in taxes than those in our towns and cities) on this topic.

Would you please let us know (1) The immediate actions that will take place with respect to current road conditions as outlined above, (2) The specific funding plan and timing, by road, for more major reconstruction and improvement to the road network around Four Mile Lake that we can share with our members, and (3) a key contact within your organization for future reporting of these situations as well as for Un-Assumed maintenance requests.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards,



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President  
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cc. Mayor Andy Letham, Councilor Gord Miller