



**Subject: Addition to Trails Subcommittee**

**Report Number:** RCP 24-050

Committee Name: Parks, Beautification & Cemeteries Committee

Submitted by: Margaret Puhr

Meeting Type: Council Meeting

Meeting Date: Monday, October 21, 2024

## **RECOMMENDATION**

A. THAT report titled “Addition to Trails Subcommittee” be received as information;  
and

B. THAT Council approve the recommendation of the Parks, Beautification & Cemeteries Advisory Committee as follows:

*THAT Council approve adding a representative of Oxford County to the subcommittee to assist with expediting actionable items related to Trans Canada Trail use and maintenance.*

## **BACKGROUND**

The Parks, Beautification and Cemeteries Advisory Committee includes a Trails Subcommittee which reviews and advises the committee on trail-related issues and ideas.

Town of Tillsonburg has an agreement with the County of Oxford dating January 1, 2016 regarding maintenance of section of the Tillsonburg Trans Canada Trail where the town staff provide the operation and maintenance of the trail on behalf of the County. The cost of the operation are shared equally between the town and the county.

At their September 24, 2024 meeting, the Committee passed the following resolution:

### **Resolution # 3**

**Moved By:** Pete Luciani

**Seconded By:** Martha Kirkpatrick

THAT the Parks, Beautification & Cemeteries Committee recommends that Council approve adding a representative of Oxford County to the subcommittee to assist with expediting actionable items related to Trans Canada Trail use and maintenance.

**Carried**

## DISCUSSION

The subcommittee proposes the addition of Oxford County staff to the member roster in order to gain a direct path to information regarding any updates or plans, as well as expediting any actionable items which otherwise would require notification to the County. Several other Advisory Committees also have a County representative as a member, for this exact purpose.

## CONSULTATION

This report was prepared with input from the Parks, Beautification & Cemeteries Advisory Committee and its Trails Subcommittee, the Manager of Parks and Facilities and the Director of Recreation, Culture and Parks.

## FINANCIAL IMPACT/FUNDING SOURCE

There is no financial aspect associated with this report.

## CORPORATE GOALS

How does this report support the corporate goals identified in the Community Strategic Plan?

- Lifestyle and amenities
- Customer service, communication and engagement
- Business attraction, retention and expansion
- Community growth
- Connectivity and transportation
- Not Applicable

Does this report relate to a specific strategic direction or project identified in the Community Strategic Plan? Please indicate section number and/or any priority projects identified in the plan.

**Goal** – Within the community, Tillsonburg will strive to offer residents the amenities, services and attractions they require to enjoy balanced lifestyles.

**Strategic Direction** – Provide an expanded, accessible network of parks and trails.

**Priority Project** – *Immediate Term* – Enhanced tree planting

## ATTACHMENTS

N/A