



Council Report

Report Number: ENG2023-008

Meeting Date: March 21, 2023

Title: **Grant Municipal Drain – Request for Subsequent Connection**

Description: Recommendations from the Drainage Board after receiving a request under Section 65(3) of the Drainage Act for subsequent connection to a municipal drain.

Author and Title: Richard Monaghan, Drainage Superintendent

Recommendation(s):

That Report **ENG2023-008, Grant Municipal Drain – Request for Subsequent Connection**, be received; and

That Council accept the Section 65(3) Report prepared by Michael Gerrits and approve the subsequent connection of lands known as 84 Sandringham Road (ARN 1651160020004000) to the Grant Drain and that the Grant Drain Assessment schedule be updated to reflect this subsequent connection.

Department Head: _____

Financial/Legal/HR/Other: _____

Chief Administrative Officer: _____

Background:

At the Drainage Board Meeting of February 15, 2023, the Drainage Board adopted the following recommendation:

DB2023-004

Moved By Councillor Ashmore

Seconded By D. Skrabek

That the Memorandum from the Drainage Superintendent - Engineering and Corporate Assets, February 15, 2023, regarding the **Section 65 Report – Subsequent Connection to the Grant Drain**, be received;

That Council accept the Section 65(3) Report prepared by Michael Gerrits and approve the subsequent connection of lands known as 84 Sandringham Road (ARN 1651160020004000) to the Grant Drain and that the Grant Drain Assessment Schedule will be updated to reflect this subsequent connection.

Carried

This report addresses that direction.

Rationale:

The subject area/land is 84 Sandringham Road (ARN 1651160020004000) and in the general area of both the Grant Drain and the Sandringham Drain.

In 2016, the landowner of this request added their name to the petition for the Sandringham Drain in an effort to drain these lands. However, they chose to only drain some of this land into the Sandringham Drain at the time. The Sandringham Drain proceeded to be constructed.

In 2019, the City received a Section 65(3) request to add the remaining lands to the Sandringham Drain. However, the Sandringham Drain is a closed drain and the pipe size selected does not have adequate capacity to handle this extra water and the request was denied. Considering the landowner signed on as a petitioner to the Sandringham Drain, the drain could have been sized to adequately manage this additional water at that time.

In August 2022, the City received another Section 65(3) request to add these lands to the Grant Drain (instead of the much closer Sandringham Drain). In order to drain these lands into the Grant Drain, the water will have to flow through the neighbouring property to the South. The Requestor indicated this landowner has verbally agreed to accept this additional water.

The Report prepared by Michael Gerrits addresses this latest request, identifies the cost for the landowner to subsequently connect to the Grant Drain and suggests that the Grant Drain can accommodate this additional water with a negligible difference in water elevations.

A Mutual Agreement Drain Form has been filled out by the Requestor and the neighbour to the South, and is registered at the land registry office against both lands.

Other Alternatives Considered:

As the entire cost of this Section 65 report is borne by the requesting landowner, they are paying a fair share to subsequently connect and the Engineer's Report determined a negligible difference in water levels after this subsequent connection, no other alternatives are being considered. Should Council not accept the recommendations of the Board, the requesting landowner could Petition for Drainage which would put cost on the City and other landowners in the area to achieve a similar end result. Council does hold the authority to alter any recommendations made by the Drainage Board prior to adoption.

Alignment to Strategic Priorities

The Kawartha Lakes Strategic Plan identifies the following two priorities that bolster support for an active and effective Drainage Program in the City of Kawartha Lakes:

- Protect and support agricultural land and businesses
- Offer business development programs to support the agricultural, tourism, cultural, manufacturing and innovation sectors

Financial/Operation Impacts:

Requests for Subsequent Connects proposed under Section 65(3) of the Drainage Act have full cost assessed to the Requesting Landowner only. There are no financial impacts to the City or other landowners assessed to the Grant Municipal Drain.

Consultations:

Deputy City Clerk

Manager of Technical Services

Attachments:

Appendix A – Minutes of the February 15, 2023 Drainage Board Meeting



Appendix A -
Minutes of the Febr

Appendix B – Memo to Drainage Board – Subsequent Connection to the Grant Drain



Appendix B - Memo
to Drainage Board -

Appendix C – Section 65(3) Report Prepared by Michael Gerrits



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Appendix D - 2023-xxx By-Law to Permit Subsequent Connection to the Grant Drain



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