

TOWNSHIP OF NORTH HURON

Report No. PW-2024-03

REPORT TO:	Reeve Heffer and Members of Council
PREPARED BY:	Gregg Furtney, Director of Public Works and Facilities
DATE:	05/02/2024
SUBJECT:	PW-2024-03 Update on Snow Removal at Bristol Terrace and Josephine Street
	Intersection and Hanna Bridge
ATTACHMENTS:	N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby receives the report of the Director of Public Works and Facilities, dated February 5, 2024, regarding an update on the snow removal at the Bristol Terrace and Josephine Street intersection and the Hanna Bridge, for information purposes.

PURPOSE:

This report is intended to report back to Council on Motion 393/23 directing staff to provide Council with potential solutions regarding the removal of snow at the intersection of Bristol Terrace and Josephine Street as well as the on Hanna Bridge.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

At the December 18, 2023 Regular meeting, Council adopted the following motion regarding snow removal at the intersection of Bristol Terrace and Josephine Street, as well as on the Hanna Bridge:

M393/23 MOVED BY: M. Wright SECONDED BY: C. Palmer

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby directs staff to investigate solutions for snow removal at the intersection of Bristol Terrace and Josephine Street, as well as on the Hanna Bridge and to report back to Council with potential options.

CARRIED

DISCUSSION:

Senior staff discussed Council's concerns with Public Works staff and together, a plan was developed. After getting another snowfall, staff were able to trial their plan.

The piles of snow at the intersection of Bristol Terrace and Josephine Street were removed with the front-end loader, after the streets and sidewalks had been cleared. Staff also changed the route of the smaller sidewalk snow plow, with smaller wheels, in order to be able to hug the rounded corner of the bridge.

Both activities have added staff and equipment time to the various winter control routes, but staff are confident that this is manageable. Staff will continue to monitor and assess the two locations and adjust schedules, equipment, and plans as needed.

At the January 15th Regular Council Meeting, Councillor Wright advised that he was satisfied with and appreciated the plan and work that Public Works staff had done to address the concerns within his Notice of Motion. That appreciation was passed on to Public Works staff the following day.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no direct financial impact associated with this report.

FUTURE/OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

There are no future or other considerations related to this report, at this time.

OTHERS CONSULTED:

Scott Price, Public Works Lead Hand Jenna McDonald, Public Works Administrative Assistant

RELATIONSHIP TO THE STRATEGIC PLAN:

Goal #4 – Our goal is to be a municipality with well-maintained and thoughtfully planned infrastructure

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