



Township of
North Dundas

COUNCIL REPORT

To:	CAO, Mayor and Members of Council
From	Dan Belleau – Director of Transportation
Date of Meeting:	June 12, 2012
Subject:	Transportation Department Monthly Report (May)

Road Construction: Crew installed a catch basin and replaced a cross culvert, also a drainage pipe in front of the Agricultural Hall on Lough Rd in preparation for asphalt.

Kerr's Ridge Rd is also ready for asphalt.

Gravel Maintenance has been completed and dust control applied.

We have increased the tonnage per kms on most of our gravel roads in order to build a better base for future surface treatment. To achieve this we had to cut some roads out of our gravel maintenance these roads will receive gravel in 2013. (Attached is a list of roads that did not receive gravel this year)

Helmer Rd and Grey Rd: Transport Canada as denied our request for funding for 2012 – 2013 fiscal year. They will consider funding for the improvement program for the fiscal year 2013 – 2014. (See attachment)

Brush Cutting: Roads side brush cutting began on May 15th. Project was awarded to Ault Construction at the price of \$116.00 per hrs.

Roads completed: Ronson Rd, Clark Rd, Loughlin Ridge Rd, French Settlement, Dillabough, Van Camp, River Rd,

Grass Cutting Student Project: Student have started cutting road side grass at the entrance of towns and around Township signs, guide rails. On rainy days they are working inside cleaning and painting the offices and lunch room at the Township garage.

Road Side Ditch Cutting: Will begin the first week of July. We have been receiving requests from concern citizens for us to cut our ditches twice a year instead of once a year. Since this is the last year on a three year contract, I will be looking at different options and prepare quotes for council to look at as we prepare for the 2013 budget.

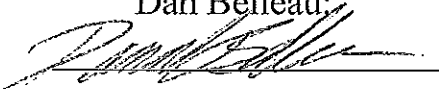
Street Lights: Dundas Power repaired 10 street lights, the day after receiving a list from the Township.

Sidewalks: Quotes are coming in for the replacement of sidewalks in Chesterville. I have contacted SDG County over the sidewalk on the Bridge in Chesterville with concerns for public safety. The county has agreed to share the cost 50/50 with the Township pending quotations.

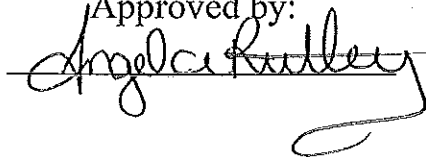
Mechanic: The head mechanic is doing a fantastic job in organizing vehicle maintenance schedule.

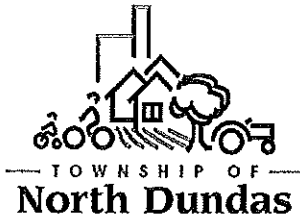
Pressure Washing and Painting: I would like council to reconsider this project. Since we are looking into building a new facility for the Mechanics, the existing facility would be used as a parking garage for equipment. I would recommend that we look at installing better lighting, more outlets and better ventilation instead of washing and painting.

Dan Belleau:



Approved by:





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To:	CAO, Mayor and Members of Council
From:	John Oswald – Patrol Foreman/Drainage Superintendent
Date of Meeting:	June/12, 2012
Subject:	Public Works Monthly Update (May)

The month of May we started out with spring cleaning the Villages and side streets all have been swept. The crew has also swept all sidewalks in the villages and towns. The graders have been going steady in preparation for summer gravel and Calcium.

The park benches and garbage cans have all been put in place for the summer months throughout the villages.

At the corner of Victoria and St Lawrence St a new storm was installed for the home owner whom is in the process of building a home.

In South Mountain, the catch basin in front of the (Agg) Hall on Lough Rd has been replaced and the tile that runs in front of the building also has been changed in preparation for paving.

We have started to brush along the sides of roads; Frank Aults is the contractor doing the work for us.

We have been cleaning up the MTO yard and hauling some of the fill over to the landfill site. The summer students have started with us this Month.

Drainage Report

This month I have been working on this year's paperwork for the drains that will be cleaned this fall. I worked on completing two tile Drainage Debentures.

Respectfully submitted,

John Oswald

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LIST OF ROADS THAT WILL NOT RECEIVE FRESH GRAVEL

Road name	From	To	Length	Tonnes
Ormond Road	Bisson Road	County Road 13	3.30	0
Armstrong Road	Dead End	County Road 31	3.40	0
Boundary Road	County Road 9	Dead End	0.90	0
Forward Road	Nesbitt Road	Winchester Springs Road	1.40	0
Winchester Springs Road	Forward Road	Gray Road	2.00	0
Church Road	County Road 43	Development Road	3.30	0
Crowder Road	County Road 43	Levere Road	2.50	0
West Boundary	Clarke Road	N. Flesher Crescent	3.30	0
Hyndman Road	County Road 43	West Boundary	3.90	0
Sandy Row Road	County Road 16	1.2km east of County Road 1	2.90	0
McLaughlin Road	Coulthart Road	County Road 13	1.50	0
Kyle Road	County Road 13	Carruthers Road	1.30	0
Stevens Road	Carruthers Road	Marionville Road	1.70	0
Gibeault Road	Boundary Road	Dead End	1.30	0
Merkley Road	Harmony Road	Armstrong Road	1.50	0
Helmer Road	Maple Ridge Road	Gray Road	1.00	0
Gray Road	0.3 km W. of Helmer Road	0.7 km E. of Helmer Road	1.00	0
Link Road	County Road 31	Dead End	0.60	0
Summers Road	Baker Road	County Road 43	1.30	0
Baldwin Road	Sandy Row	0.1km south of Sandy Row	0.10	0
Kirkwood Road	County Road 5	Sandy ROW	1.50	0

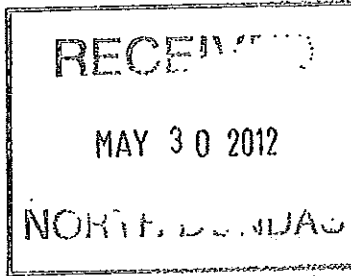
Shay Road	Forward Road	Dead End	0.80	0
Bailey Road	Cameron Road	Development Road	1.80	0
Benson George Road	County Road 31	Dead End	1.30	0
Kelly Road	Connaught Road	County Road 9	1.20	0
Norton Road	Van Camp Road	Pepperville Road	1.20	0
Mulloy Road	Cameron Road	Van Camp Road	1.40	0
Moore Road	Timmins Road	County Road 3	2.00	0
Simzer Road	Development Road	Dead End	0.10	0





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Howard F. Smith
Chief Administrative Office
Township of North Dundas
636 St. Lawrence Street
Winchester, ON K0C 2K0



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Dear Mr. Smith,

As you know, the crossing improvement project attached in Annex A, for which the Township of North Dundas submitted an application for funding under the Grade Crossing Improvement Program (GCIP) in 2011, was placed on a pending list to be reviewed for funding in upcoming fiscal years.

At the present time, federal GCIP funding for the 2012-2013 fiscal year has been fully committed. As a result, Transport Canada will consider the improvements at the crossing listed in Annex A for GCIP funding in fiscal year 2013-2014.

In addition, as a result of recent changes introduced as part of Budget 2012, the federal contribution under the GCIP will be reduced from 80% to 50% starting April 1, 2013. This project will therefore be considered for GCIP funding in the 2013-2014 fiscal year at a 50% reimbursement rate for eligible costs. The project will remain on the pending applications list to be assessed in 2012, and projects approved by the Minister for 2013-2014 funding will be announced in fall 2012.

Please note that while the responsible party can proceed with work once Transport Canada has received a GCIP application without jeopardizing the Minister's consideration of the project, completing the work does not guarantee that funding will be approved for the project. Any costs incurred and paid by a project proponent are done at the risk that the Minister may not approve the project.

In addition, please note that any projects approved for 2013-2014 funding will be reimbursed at a 50% reimbursement rate for eligible costs, even if construction is completed before April 1, 2013. Projects already approved by the minister that are currently included in a signed funding agreement will continue to be reimbursed at an 80% reimbursement rate for eligible costs, provided the project is completed before April 1, 2013.

For further information, please see the letter attached as Annex B from Luc Bourdon, Director General of the Rail Safety Directorate at Transport Canada. If you have any further questions regarding changes to the Grade Crossing Improvement Program, please do not hesitate to contact David Branton-Brown at 613-991-6452, Christian Clément at 613-949-7782, or Scott Lee, Railway Signal Systems Inspector, at 416-973-5525.

Sincerely,

Martin McKay
Acting Director, Transit Projects
Transportation Infrastructure Programs
Transport Canada

Annex B – Letter Regarding GCIP Changes



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Good morning,

I am writing to advise you of changes to the Grade Crossing Improvement Program (GCIP) resulting from the Federal Budget announced on March 29, 2012.

As you may know, the GCIP provides funding on an annual basis to railways and road authorities to make improvements to high risk grade crossings. Since being put in place by Transport Canada, in 1988, the program has provided over \$180 million towards the improvements of federal railway crossings across Canada.

As a result of Budget 2012, the federal cost-sharing under the GCIP will be reduced from a maximum of 80% to a maximum of 50%. This redesign will bring the GCIP in line with other infrastructure grant and contribution programs delivered by the Government of Canada.

The proponent of the railway work, and each beneficiary of the work, will be required to fund the remaining 50% for grade crossing improvements. Any disagreements related to the apportionment of costs can be referred to the Canadian Transportation Agency for resolution. A proposed amendment to the *Railway Safety Act* (effective April 1, 2013) will limit the maximum that the Canadian Transportation Agency may apportion to road authorities to 12.5% of the construction and alteration costs.

Therefore, beginning on April 1, 2013, the total funding for GCIP will be \$10.9 million per annum. The program will continue to fund as many projects as before due to the program redesign. Transport Canada will continue to focus on high risk crossings and to monitor crossing safety through its inspection programs. The Grade Crossing Closure Program (GCCP) was not impacted by Budget 2012 and it will remain in place providing grants of \$5,000.00 for private crossings and \$20,000.00 for public crossings.

In addition, administration for the GCIP and the GCCP has been transferred from the Rail Safety Directorate to the Programs Group within Transport Canada. Jane Weldon, Director General, Transportation Infrastructure Programs, is now responsible for the program delivery of the GCIP and the GCCP.

Should you have any questions pertaining to the above information, please feel free to contact Jane at (613) 998-8137 or myself at (613) 998-2984.

Sincerely,

Luc Bourdon,
Director General
Rail Safety, Transport Canada

