



## Committee Report

**To:** Warden Mitch Twolan  
Members of the Transportation & Environmental Services  
Committee

**From:** Miguel Pelletier  
Director of Transportation & Environmental Services

**Date:** July 9, 2020

**Re:** Consolidation of Road Reserves

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### Staff Recommendation:

That the existing individual Transportation and Environmental Services reserve funds related to roads be consolidated into one Road Reserve.

### Background:

There are currently 19 individual reserve funds related to specific County Roads and road activities totaling \$3,775,393.60 as follows:

Reserve Name	2020 Reserve Balance	Typical Use of Funding
Land Purchases	\$90,464.58	Specific undertakings related to the land as deemed appropriate by Director and Council.
Paved Roads Capital - County Road 1	\$59,170.86	Specific undertakings related to the paved roads capital as deemed appropriate by Director and Council.
Paved Roads Capital - County Road 4	\$22,886.60	Specific undertakings related to the paved roads capital as deemed appropriate by Director and Council.
Paved Roads Capital - County Road 6	\$51,634.90	Specific undertakings related to the paved roads capital as deemed appropriate by Director and Council.
Paved Roads Capital - County Road 6 East	\$1,054,200.08	Specific undertakings related to the paved roads capital as deemed appropriate by Director and Council. This reserve will be used for a Project for Section A, east of Mildmay, starting in 2020 with a view to complete in 2024. Joint federal/provincial/municipal funding.

<b>Reserve Name</b>	<b>2020 Reserve Balance</b>	<b>Typical Use of Funding</b>
Paved Roads Capital - County Road 8	\$430,370.86	Specific undertakings related to the paved roads capital as deemed appropriate by Director and Council.
Paved Roads Capital - County Road 12	\$482,220.21	Specific undertakings related to the paved roads capital as deemed appropriate by Director and Council. Realignment project planned in 2021 for section C (Formosa) will require a much smaller scope of work than initial estimates.
Paved Roads Capital - County Road 13	\$26,898.18	Specific undertakings related to the paved roads capital as deemed appropriate by Director and Council.
Paved Roads Capital - County Road 15	\$100,028.53	Specific undertakings related to the paved roads capital as deemed appropriate by Director and Council.
Paved Roads Capital - County Road 17	\$54,956.15	Specific undertakings related to the paved roads capital as deemed appropriate by Director and Council.
Paved Roads Capital - County Road 23	\$3,306.89	Specific undertakings related to the paved roads capital as deemed appropriate by Director and Council.
Paved Roads Capital - County Road 25	\$26,666.49	Specific undertakings related to the paved roads capital as deemed appropriate by Director and Council.
Paved Roads Capital - County Road 29	\$1,313.15	Specific undertakings related to the paved roads capital as deemed appropriate by Director and Council.
Paved Roads Capital - County Road 30	\$1,716.65	Specific undertakings related to the paved roads capital as deemed appropriate by Director and Council.
Paved Roads Capital - County Road 33	\$20,115.04	Specific undertakings related to the paved roads capital as deemed appropriate by Director and Council
Paved Roads Capital - County Road 40	\$13,108.11	Specific undertakings related to the paved roads capital as deemed appropriate by Director and Council
Paved roads Capital - Grey Bruce Line	\$130,606.13	Specific undertakings related to the paved roads capital as deemed appropriate by Director and Council
Paved Roads Capital - County Road 86	\$35,121.32	Specific undertakings related to the paved roads capital as deemed appropriate by Director and Council

Reserve Name	2020 Reserve Balance	Typical Use of Funding
County Road West Road	\$1,167, 936.69	Specific undertakings related to the west road as deemed appropriate by Director and Council. Reconstruction/rehabilitation upgrade project on hold until need confirmed. Plan to draw funds for life extension work for undermaintained sections in 2020 or 2021.
County Road 26B	\$2,672.18	Specific undertakings related to road 26B as deemed appropriate by Director and Council.
TOTAL	\$3,775,393.60	

The priorities of the five-year road capital program shift from year to year. Having funding in a specific reserve is not an important factor to prioritize projects so there is no need to manage each reserve individually. Many of the existing road reserves are the result of projects with unspent funds at year end. Consolidating the multiple reserves into one will improve the management of the reserves by removing the need to constantly seek permission of this Committee to transfer funds from an individual road reserve to meet the current and changing needs of the roads capital program. Using one road reserve will provide a clearer picture of the cash flow for the roads program and the status of the reserves during the budget planning and approval process. This single source reserve would also provide the County flexibility to make small adjustments to the expenditure of approved funds from the Road Reserve without constantly seeking Committee's approval.

This single reserve approach is the same method that is used for other large capital programs in the County, namely the bridge reserve.

#### **Financial/Staffing/Legal/IT Considerations:**

There are no financial, staffing, legal or IT considerations associated with this report.

#### **Interdepartmental Consultation:**

Corporate Services (Finance Division) was consulted.

#### **Link to Strategic Goals and Elements:**

Goal # 5 - Eliminate own red tape

Element #A - All work processes designed for the fewest steps and the easiest completion

Element #B - Reduce our interdepartmental reporting requirements

**Approved by:**



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Chief Administrative Officer