

DATE: June 29th, 2020

REPORT NO: PD-073-20

SUBJECT: **Recommendation Report
Naming of Regional Road 24 as Victoria Avenue**

CONTACT: Brian Treble, Director of Planning and Building

OVERVIEW:

- **Township staff were informed in early April of 2020 that Regional Survey and Mapping Staff had come across 29 property addresses in their system where the street name is Vineland Townline Road and not Victoria Avenue.**
- **Staff have not been able to locate a by-law or confirm one was passed that names Regional Road 24 any name. Apparently, at some point in the past, Pelham has named the street Victoria Avenue and corrected some addresses in the system accordingly.**
- **On May 25th, 2020, report PD-063-20, was presented to Council and staff was then authorized to notify all property owners fronting Regional Road 24 that the Township of West Lincoln Council proposes to pass a by-law to name the street Victoria Avenue.**
- **The letter advising property owners of this proposed by-law was sent on May 27th, 2020.**
- **To date, two residents have spoken with planning staff stating their agreement with the removal of “Vineland Townline Road” and their approval of Regional Road 24 being municipally named Victoria Avenue.**
- **Staff recommend that a street naming by-law be passed to officially name Regional Road 24 as “Victoria Avenue”.**

RECOMMENDATION

1. That, Report PD-073-20, regarding “Recommendation Report, Naming of Regional Road 24 as Victoria Avenue”, dated June 29, 2020, be RECEIVED; and,
2. That, a By-law be passed to name Regional Road 24 as identified in Schedule A “Victoria Avenue”; and,
3. That, staff notify all residents and agencies affected by this by-law. Further, that should costs be incurred by the public as a result of this change, that such costs (with receipts to a maximum of \$100.00) may be submitted to the Township (within 6 months of the passing of by-law) and will be charged to the 911 PERS capital account.

ALIGNMENT TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Theme

- **Efficient, Fiscally Responsible Operations**
- **Community Health and Safety**

BACKGROUND

Staff have written numerous reports to Township Committee and Council to resolve street naming issues in the Township of West Lincoln. Ultimately, the goal is to be compliant with 911 PERS protocol which will help eliminate confusion for emergency response personnel and ensure a fast response time.

Regional Staff contacted Township Planning Staff on April 8, 2020, about the official name of Regional Road 24 in West Lincoln. The issue was raised by members of the Regional Survey and Mapping Department that most addresses in their system refer to Regional Road 24 as Victoria Avenue, yet 29 addresses on the West Lincoln side of the road are labelled as Vineland Townline Road in their system. Regional mapping staff are looking to resolve this issue and thought that a by-law might have been passed at some point in the past. Township staff have checked the Township records and by-laws and are not able to find any by-laws that assign either Vineland Townline Road or Victoria Avenue to this road.

Staff have investigated sign blades and have found that all intersecting streets with Regional Road 24 identify the street as Victoria Avenue.

Planning staff presented report PD-063-20 to Council on May 25th, 2020 and were authorized to prepare and mail a letter advising all residents of the proposed By-law. This letter was mailed on May 27th, 2020.

CURRENT SITUATION

Residents of the section of this street located in West Lincoln were pleased to hear that “Vineland Townline Road” would be removed and the street would be officially named “Victoria Avenue”. However, it was made clear that the residents would still like to also be known as Regional Road 24. Since this stretch of road is still a regional road and has not been downloaded to the Township, this will not be an issue for the residents.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

A capital budget was created for the 911 PERS project several years ago. Any costs from the public meeting and street naming process will be charged to the corresponding account. This account is also available to assist with impacts on the public, if any, up to a maximum of \$100 per property.

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL COMMENTS

Regional GIS staff, along with Township Building, Planning and Clerks staff, have all been included in discussions regarding this street naming by-law.

There have been two verbal public comments made to planning staff.

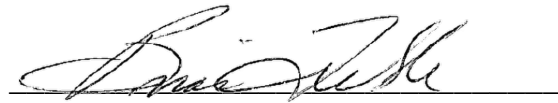
CONCLUSION

Staff recommend passing a street naming By-law to name this street, "Victoria Avenue". Upon adoption by Council, staff will notify the residents and agencies affected by the street naming By-law.

ATTACHMENTS

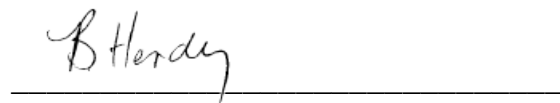
1. Draft Street Naming By-law

Prepared by:



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Director of Planning and Building

Approved By:



Beverly Hendry
CAO

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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST LINCOLN

BY-LAW NO. 2020-XX

A BY-LAW TO NAME A PUBLIC HIGHWAY IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST LINCOLN IN THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA BEING REGIONAL ROAD 24 AS VICTORIA AVENUE

WHEREAS Section 11 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, provides for spheres of jurisdiction and under Table (1) it states that a lower tier municipality and an upper tier municipality may pass by-laws respecting highways, including parking and traffic on highways; and,

WHEREAS the Municipal Act, 2001, provides that a local municipality may name or change the name of a public road, and;

WHEREAS such notice was provided to inform the public that Council would hear any person(s) who wished to give written correspondence regarding this matter, and;

WHEREAS 2 verbal public comments were received by planning staff,

NOW THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST LINCOLN HEREBY enacts as follows:

1. That, Council hereby confirms that Regional Road 24, shall be named "Victoria Avenue"; as illustrated on Schedule A attached hereto.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 29th DAY OF JUNE, 2020.

MAYOR DAVE BYLSMA

JOANNE SCIME, CLERK





May 2020

Location Map
Victoria Ave

0 487.5 975 1,950 Meters



Legend

-  Victoria Ave
-  AssessmentParcels