

**DATE:** November 9, 2020

**REPORT NO:** PD-145-2020

**SUBJECT:** Recommendation Report - Naming of Regional Road 9 – York Road/Street 911 PERS Naming Process

**CONTACT:** Brian Treble, Director of Planning & Building

**OVERVIEW:**

- 911 PERS is the standard that we are to use to name segments of streets which should then help ensure clarity for emergency response services.
- The Region provided us with a list of addresses and street names that needed to be corrected. Other issues have arisen as time passes that have become more of a priority, as well.
- Regional mapping staff have recently brought to our attention the fact that there are discrepancies with the suffix usage for Regional Road 9, known as York Road/Street. This needs to be addressed for the purposes of 911 PERS compliance.
- Staff have not been able to find a by-law, but also know that people are calling it York Street, York Road and Regional Road 9.
- Staff's understanding is that the segment from Regional Road 2 (Caistorville Road) to Westbrook Road needs to be consistently called York Street or Road, while the Regional Road 9 term will also continue to apply.
- Staff have undertaken an assessment of the way mailing addresses show up and note that there are 4 properties that use York Street, 4 that use York Road and 26 that use solely Regional Road 9.
- Staff wish to reach out to the property owners to determine the comments and preferences of the public before a by-law is passed by Township Committee and Council.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. That, Report PD-145-2020, regarding "Recommendation Report, Recommendation Report, Naming of Regional Road 9 – York Road/Street, 911 PERS Naming Process", dated November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020, be RECEIVED; and,

2. That, Staff be authorized to commence the public consultation process on the preferred suffix of either, York Street or York Road.

### **ALIGNMENT TO STRATEGIC PLAN:**

#### **Theme # 5**

- Community Health and Safety

### **BACKGROUND:**

Staff have now 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 faster response time.

### **CURRENT SITUATION:**

Many years ago, the Region provided the Township of West Lincoln with a list of inconstant street names and numbers that had to be resolved so that the entire Niagara Region would be considered to be 911 PERS complaint.

In addition, the staff have had addressing issues brought to our attention which were not on the original list. York Street/Road and Victoria Avenue/Vineland Towline Road represent a few new issues that have been added to the list this year.

Based on a scan of mailing addresses along this stretch of road from the intersection with Caistorville Road (Regional Road 2) to the Township Boundary at Westbrook Road, the frequency of road names is as follows:

- 4 properties use York Street
- 4 properties use York Road
- 26 properties use Regional Road 9

Staff are writing this report so that we can commence the process of contacting property owners to notify them that we have to confirm one suffix and ask for their preference. This report is written to seek authority to start this consultation process.

### **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:**

Staff in Planning, Building, along with the Regional mapping staff have all had discussions about this suffix discrepancy in recent months and wish to get it corrected to avoid any emergency responder issues and to become 911 PERs compliant.

Agencies and residents will be provided with an opportunity to comment.

**CONCLUSION:**

This report is written to commence the consultation process so that a by-law can be passed to confirm the suffix for York Road/Street (Regional Road 9).

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Location Map

**Prepared & Submitted by:**



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