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## Public Works

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**Meeting:** Committee of the Whole

**Date:** September 9, 2025

**Report No.:** PW/ TRANSPORTATION-14-25

**RESOLUTION NO:** \_\_\_\_\_ **BY-LAW NO:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Subject:** Road Design Class Change Railways – Hunt Road

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**Recommendation(s):**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Committee of the Whole receive Report PW-14-25 for information; and

**THAT** Committee of the Whole recommend that Council approve the reduction in the speed limit on Hunt Rd., to 50km/h; and

**THAT** a bylaw to drop the rate of speed be brought forward at the meeting of Council to enact such.

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**Background:**

In 2024, the Ministry of Transportation inspected all railways and recommended changing the road design class of Hunt Road to WB-20, suitable for heavy trucks. As a result, the speed limit should be reduced from 80 km/h to 50 km/h. Engineers have reviewed the proposed crossing changes and confirmed that the lower speed is appropriate due to the crossings and the road geometry south of the tracks.

**Staff Comments:**

Staff, therefore, request direction from council to designate the speed limit on all of Hunt Road to 50 km per hour to align with the new road design class change. Hunt Road runs north and south between County Rd 2 and Beach Drive.

**Financial Implications:**

Staff are waiting to hear from the railways to see if any costs will be incurred by changing the road design class. Rail crossings may need to be updated due to the road design class change. Typically, this is a 50/50 cost share, and Municipality's have no choice. The Township has inventory for 50km signs so no cost will be incurred for this.

**Concluding Comments:**

Staff are requesting approval of the speed limit change as per the above recommendations.

**Submitted by:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Reviewed by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phil Kelly, Manager of Public Works and Environmental Services**