

**TOWNSHIP OF TUDOR AND CASHEL  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA  
June 5, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.  
371 Weslemkoon Lake Road, GILMOUR, ON**

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This is a Public Open House for the Council of Tudor and Cashel to hear from their constituents with regards to the maintenance of roads within the township classed as 6B roads. The session will be held in person **only** at the Community Centre.

**CALL TO ORDER – REGULAR MEETING**

- Roll Call
- Opening Ceremonies
- Disclosure of Interest
- Approval of Agenda

**TOWN HALL**

RESOLVED THAT Council begins the town hall meeting, to listen to the constituents of Tudor and Cashel Township on the matter of winter maintenance on class 6B roads within the township.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**NEXT MEETING**

- June 6, 2023

**All decisions made at a Committee of the Whole Meeting are subject to ratification at the following Regular Council Meeting.**

**If you require any accommodations for a disability in order to attend or participate in meetings or events, please contact the municipal office at 613-474-2583.**

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC FORUM**  
**JUNE 5, 2023 @ 7:00 PM**  
**371 WESLEMKOON LAKE ROAD**  
**GILMOUR, ONTARIO, K0L 1W0**

The 6B Road ad-hoc committee of Council has scheduled an open Public Forum for the purpose of providing information to, and receiving feedback from, taxpayers regarding a potential policy change recommendation to Council regarding the provision of winter maintenance for all 6B roads in the township.

The ad-hoc committee considers public feedback an important step to formulating an informed and comprehensive recommendation to Council on this matter.

If you are not able to attend the meeting in person you may provide your feedback in writing to the Clerk of the township at the above noted address, or an email to [clerk@tudorandcashel.com](mailto:clerk@tudorandcashel.com) on or before **May 31, 2023**.

There are several compelling reasons as to why a policy change regarding winter maintenance on 6B roads should be considered by Council.

- 1) Unlike private roads and lanes, which are not assumed by the township, these 6B roads are in fact assumed roads. When a road has been assumed by the township it is considered to be a municipal road and the township has a legal duty to maintain the entire road in a reasonable state of repair in accordance with Section 44 of the Municipal Act.
- 2) If a person was injured or suffers some loss as a result of using an assumed road that was not maintained during the winter, the Courts could find that the road was not in a reasonable state of repair and hold the township liable for any damage or loss that person might incur. Furthermore, the consequences of the township being held liable for negligence could have serious consequences for all taxpayers in the event insurance coverages were denied.

- 3) Properties on these roads bear a significant tax burden due to higher average assessed values relative to other properties within the township. The roads in question accounted for approximately \$31.7 million of taxable assessed value or 18.5% of the total taxable assessed value in 2022, and growing. Furthermore, it is a fact that once the township assumes responsibility for winter maintenance, the assessed values on these roads will increase and there is evidence this increase in assessed value could substantially offset the incremental cost of winter maintenance.
- 4) The provision of winter maintenance provides surety for taxpayers who wish to further develop and invest in their properties, which will grow the assessed value along these roads driving up total township taxable assessed value and relieving pressure on the mill rate. All taxpayers benefit when that happens.
- 5) Many of the properties along these roads have been transformed into permanent residences or more than “summer cottages” and that transformation will continue with an aging population that considers retirement in the township desirable or people who have the ability to work from home given technology advances.

Public feedback is an important step to formulating an informed and comprehensive recommendation to Council on the matter of 6B roads.

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