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4. Motion – Councillor Brown - Speed Limit Coherence (Ashton Station Road)

Motion – Conseiller Brown - Cohérence des limites de vitesse (chemin Ashton Station)

## **Committee recommendation(s)**

That Council approve that staff be directed to draft a by-law identical to that drafted by the Township of Beckwith that would enable the implementation of a 40 km/hr posted speed limit on Ashton Station Road from Ormrod Road to Beckwith 9<sup>th</sup> Line Road.

## Recommandation(s) du comité

Que le Conseil approuve qu'on demande au personnel de rédiger un règlement municipal identique à celui du canton de Beckwith pour réduire la limite de vitesse à 40 km/h sur le chemin Ashton Station, entre le chemin Ormrod et le chemin Beckwith 9th Line.

## Documentation/Documentation

1. Report from the Committee Coordinator, dated July 4, 2024 (ACS2024-OCC-CCS-0067)

Rapport de la coordonnatrice du comité, daté le 4 juillet 2024 (ACS2024-OCC-CCS-0067)

2 Extract of draft Minutes, Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee, July 4, 2024.

Extrait de l'ébauche du procès-verbal du Comité de l'agriculture et des affaires rurales, le 4 juillet 2024.

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ACS2024-OCC-CCS-0067 - Rideau-Jock (21)

Motion No. ARAC 2024-15-01

Moved by D. Brown

That the Rules of Procedure be Suspended to consider this motion such that it may rise to Council in a timely manner.

WHEREAS Ashton Station Road serves as the boundary between the City of Ottawa and the Township of Beckwith within the Village of Ashton; and

WHEREAS the Township of Beckwith has indicated their interest (via a letter to the Ward Councillor) in establishing a 40 km/h speed limit on Ashton Station Road approximately between Ashton Creek Crescent and Beckwith 9th Line Road: and

WHEREAS a portion of Ashton Station Road, which is within the boundary of the City of Ottawa, has a speed limit of 50km/h; and

WHEREAS Ontario's Highway Traffic Act, Regulation 615, Section 2(1) and Ontario Traffic Manual Book 5 Standards state that differing speed limits in opposing travel directions upon any roadway are not permitted; and

WHEREAS speed limit reductions are intended for implementation by their respective municipalities in response to residents' concerns regarding operating speeds on those portions of the roads in question; and

WHEREAS the Councillor's office in Ottawa has received concerns from residents regarding the posted speed limit on those portions of the road in question; and

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WHEREAS staff have delegated authority to implement speed limit changes only if they meet the criteria of the current Council approved City of Ottawa Speed Zoning Policy; and

WHEREAS staff have concluded that the operating speed within the section of Ashton Station Road is 62 km/h and that the speed reduction to 40 km/h does not align with the City of Ottawa Speed Zoning Policy; and

WHEREAS Ashton Station Road is considered a boundary line for the purpose of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, and Municipalities abutting a boundary line have joint jurisdiction over the highways forming the boundary line; and

WHEREAS the *Municipal Act, 2001*, requires all municipalities with joint jurisdiction to enact by-laws in respect of the highway; and

WHEREAS to reduce the speed limit on Ashton Station Road, both the City of Ottawa and the Township of Beckwith are required to enact by-laws pursuant to the *Municipal Act, 2001*; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee recommend Council approve that staff be directed to draft a by-law identical to that drafted by the Township of Beckwith that would enable the implementation of a 40 km/hr posted speed limit on Ashton Station Road from Ormrod Road to Beckwith 9th Line Road.

Carried