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**Subject:** Strathroy-Caradoc Boundary Agreement

#### Recommendation:

THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents to enter into a boundary agreement with the Municipality of Strathroy-Caradoc as identified in Appendix A.

### **Purpose:**

To execute a legal agreement as a result of an existing verbal agreement regarding maintenance activities along Middlesex Centre's boundary roads with Strathroy-Caradoc.

#### **Background:**

To ensure proper maintenance standards are applied to boundary roadways and to clearly identify roles and responsibilities. Middlesex Centre staff reached out to Strathroy-Caradoc regarding maintenance of our joint boundary road – Amiens Road from Hickory Drive to Glendon Drive.

## Analysis:

To mitigate liability and to ensure the boundary road with Strathroy-Caradoc is maintained in accordance with O. Reg. 239/2 a formal boundary road agreement is required.

The boundary agreement is similar in nature to those Middlesex Centre has in place with other neighbouring municipalities and follows the minimum maintenance standards (O.reg 239/02) as the established maintenance threshold. It includes the provision that each municipality maintain liability insurance in the event that such insurance is required. And clearly lays out roles, responsibilities and expectations from each party.

No changes are expected to Middlesex Centre operations or maintenance activities as the agreement will formalise the activities and maintenance limits that have existed for some time as a verbal agreement.

## **Financial Implications:**

There is no expected impact to current budget amounts for ongoing maintenance as a result of this agreement.

# **Strategic Plan:**

This matter aligns with following strategic priorities:

- 3c. Quality of Life: Meeting the needs of both current and future citizens.
- 5e. Operational Excellence: Forging partnerships with other levels of government.
- 5f. Operational Excellence: Adapting to changing demands and expectations.

### **Attachments:**

Appendix A - Strathroy-Caradoc Boundary Agreement & Schedule A