



Council Response to Spokesperson/Group opposing Boat Launch presentation Aug 29, 2016

Dear Spokesperson and Group members:

Thank you for your presentation to Council on Aug 29, 2016 and your speaking notes. Also, thank you for your acknowledgement that Council's intentions were good in proposing the Boat Launch project.

Council has issued a statement regarding the Public Boat Launch. In an effort to be clear, concise and not repeat, we will attempt to address concerns in your speaking notes and may refer to the statement.

- 1) Discussion and Contact or Notification to Land Owners in the Immediate Vicinity

Please see Council Statement regarding Public Boat Launch paragraph 3.

- 2) Support for Boat Launch Petition should have no Standing

We understand the petition was drafted by a property owner in support of the Boat Launch. We make no representation with respect to its content or its legality.

- 3) Proposal was made to previous Councils and turned down as being "too impactful"

To our knowledge, there was no official proposal made to previous Councils. We would be pleased to review this information if you can provide the details.

- 4) Hydro One contacted as required by OP Section 4.11.2

We believe the reference is to Official Plan, Section B4.11.2. This section falls under Section B4.11 Bray Lake. It is applicable to Bray Lake, not Eagle Lake.

- 5) Zoning By-Law 45-12, Section 4.18.2 Regulations for Permitted Uses a) and b)

This section refers to the Open Space zone requirements for Minimum Lot Area and Minimum Lot Frontage. These figures are applicable for properties developed after the adoption of Zoning By-Law 45-12. The property owned by the Township at 40 Angus Point Road pre-dates Zoning By-Law 45-12 and is an existing lot of record, ie. the new requirements are not applicable.

- 6) A Report from Council how they reached the decision the site is Zoned Properly for the proposed work and use as you have found in your review only contraventions

Please see Council Statement regarding Public Boat Launch paragraph 1 and 2.

- 7) Canada 150 Grants to be used for existing community infrastructure assets

Correct. We (and members of the community both in support and in objection) maintain the Boat Launch is existing. We were excited to possibly receive 50% funding for the project and become part of Canada's 150th Anniversary of Confederation celebration and lasting legacy.

- 8) Suggested Alternate Locations: Park Rd road allowance adjacent to Mikisew Park launch

We have reviewed this suggestion and viewed imagery. The unopened road allowance is substantially treed and additionally the mapping indicates a watercourse crossing the road allowance into Environmental Protection zoning and Type 1 Fish Habitat designation. Further the Provincial Park is identified on both sides of Park Rd S as well as the road allowance. This suggestion is deemed not to be feasible for reasons indicated and will not be pursued.

We note your comment the Park Superintendent was receptive to working with us on a solution but we turned them down because of the short park season. To our knowledge, there was no said discussion. We would be pleased to review this information if you can provide the details.

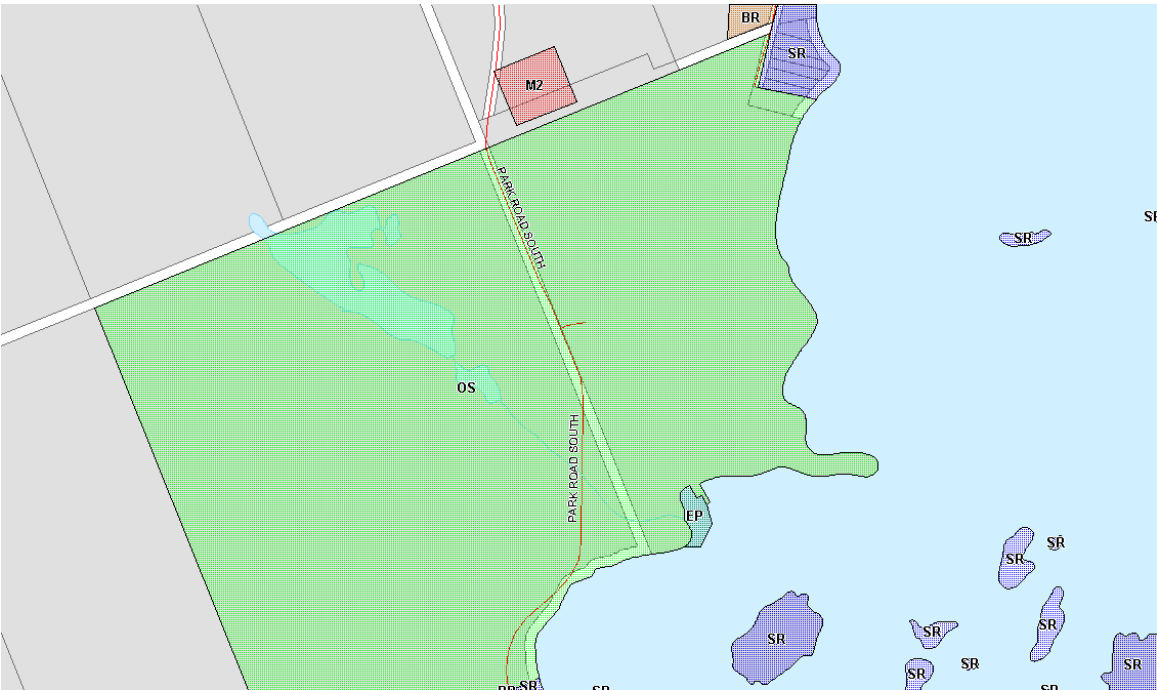
- 9) Suggested Alternate Locations: Current commercial launches to sever launch/joint ownership

As a rule no new lots have been permitted in the Shoreline designation surrounding both basins of Eagle Lake, unless the creation of the lot was allowed by the passage of a by-law prior to the date of the adoption of the Official Plan. We're not convinced the possibility to sever the launch portion exists. The commercial boat launches are long standing privately owned businesses. We have no interest in joint ownership of a private business due to many considerations, including but not limiting, the legal ramifications, precedent, potential liability, etc. This suggestion is deemed not to be feasible for reasons indicated and will not be pursued.

- 10) Report back to the suggestions made here and at the ELCA Annual General Meeting

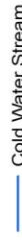
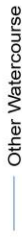

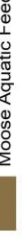

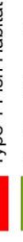
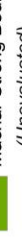

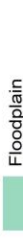


We have provided responses herewith to the concerns raised in your presentation. We have received an apology regarding the Annual General Meeting of the Eagle Lake Conservation Association that the input from some members in the audience was not more professional or respectful. We will not be responding to suggestions that were put forward there.

Council Statement regarding Public Boat Launch is attached for your reference. Respectfully, please note the Statement and this response will be posted on our website for citizen information. Thank you.



TOWNSHIP OF MACHAR Official Plan Schedule 'B' Natural Heritage System

Legend

-  Cold Water Stream
-  Other Watercourse
-  Municipal Boundary
-  Moose Aquatic Feeding Area
-  Deer Wintering Area - Stratum 2
-  Type 1 Fish Habitat
-  Machar Strong Boundary Road Bog (Unevaluated)
-  Other Wetlands
-  Floodplain
-  Cold Water Lake
-  Other Waterbody

Source: Type 1 Fish Habitat is digitized from "MNR Resource Inventory of the Township of Machar", prepared by MNR, Parry Sound District dated July, 2011



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November 19, 2012

