

## New Response Completed for Council Delegation Request Form

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Hello,

Please note the following response to Council Delegation Request Form has been submitted at Monday September 16th 2024 2:19 PM with reference number 2024-09-16-003.

- **Organization's Name (if applicable)**  
Royal Canadian Legion Branch 190 - Norwich
- **Name and Title of Primary Contact / Main Presenter**  
Michael Dymarski - Project Manager/ Grants Coordinator Presenter: Mike Dymarski
- **Street Address**  
55 Stover St South, Norwich Ont
- **Daytime Contact Number**  
Mike Dymarski
- **Email address**  
mikedymarski@execulink.com
- **Name and Title of Other Presenter (if applicable)**  
Wayne Cartier - President Royal Canadian Legion Branch 190
- **Date you wish to present to Council**  
9/25/2024
- **How would you like to attend the Council meeting?**  
In-person
- **If attending an in-person council meeting , do you or any members of your party require accessibility accommodations?**  
No
- **Use the space below to clearly outline the purpose for your presentation to council. Provide a brief outline of your subject matter including your suggested outcome**  
The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 190 recently obtain a Building Permit from the Township of Norwich for the addition of a wheelchair accessible lift and accessible

washroom to be incorporated into their Building located at 55 Stover St South in Norwich. Understanding the importance of this accessibility need, donations to this accommodation were made by residents and business in Norwich and the surrounding area. To date: \$150,000 has been raised. A grant submission to the Ontario Trillium Foundation was successful and an additional \$150,000 was obtained. Due to delays, costs for this renovation have escalated. The total estimated cost is now \$340,000. Additional funds to cover will be raised by the Legion.

When the Building permit was issued, we were surprised to learn that in addition to Building permit fees, there were additional Oxford County Development Fees for water/wastewater. This sum totaled \$5,658.24 and is based on area added, not additional water incorporated into the building. These costs are based on a non-residential schedule for Norwich Township. The Norwich Legion is incorporated as a non-project organization. Yet under non-residential rates, we are included in the same category as for-profit corporations. This does not seem equitable. Money raised by donations to the building project are being diverted to paying this County fee. We realize that under the current By-Laws, there is no provision to waive these Water/ Wastewater Fees. We are therefore petitioning Oxford Council asking for an off-setting Grant of \$5,658.24 to restore donation funds that are intended for the construction of this important accessibility addition to the Legion building.

- **Will you be providing any electronic information (i.e. a presentation) beyond your summary above?**

No

- **Have you appeared before council to discuss the same topic in the past?**

No

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