

July, 2026

Dear New Elm Lot Owners, a brief update about our road since last update in July 2024.;

Hoping this note finds everyone well. You may know that our friend and partner in the road work Darrell Naugler passed last winter and we extend our sympathies to Elaine. Darrell will be missed.

About the 2024 work: With thanks to Ian for arranging the pot hole filling and the sling load gravel work. You may have seen the tow-frame he made to smooth the gravel. Seems to have worked very well. We were able to cover 1400 m with the budget of \$6727.50.

We are preparing to work on the road again this year. It seems like the section closest to the pavement should be our focus this year. It has a good base but becoming quite rough with pot holes. The distance is about 650 m to the beaver pond crossing. If we smooth and cover with gravel it will be both solid, smooth, and longer lasting. There are two shorter sections; one 300 m inbound from the beaver pond which could use a layer of gravel and some pot holes and edge grading for drainage, another 300m to 400m inbound adjacent ending where it joins the 2024 work section.

We still concentrate on the road outbound from the Long Cove with these shared cost upgrades. Some of the sections on Long Cove and Mint Brook are in need of repair also. We are all in this together so please share your thoughts on our approach. The folks down Mint Brook are going to do some additional work also this year.

Ian has access to rent a large mini-excavator from the company he works for. He could do the pothole filling from truck-load gravel then we would have the sling gravel dumped and smooth it.

In this second year of our two year cycle, our historical annual contribution of \$400/yr biannual \$800 per lot has enabled the work done so far. If you are able to contribute every bit helps. If we all contribute this year we could make a lot of headway, possibly more than one of the candidate sections. Reminding this is a voluntary contribution we all appreciate whatever contribution you choose to make.

Please tell Ian or Bob when you deposit in our account just so we can keep track of who contributed because the bank statement doesn't say. We keep all un-spent contributions in the bank (\$328.94 today) which neither earns interest nor incurs fees.

Bank account remains the same as last time:

Scotiabank: LAHAVE STREET, PO BOX 400 BRIDGEWATER NOVA SCOTIA B4V 2X6

Your account number: 71613 04928 25

Account holder: Robert Allan and Ian Goldsmith (ITF New Elm Estates Lot Owners Road).

Reporting our contribution and costs since July 13, 2024 to date:

2024-07-13 Open	\$1,805.34
2024/2025 Contribution	\$5,251.10
2024 Costs	-\$6,727.50
2024-07-15 balance	\$328.94

Note: Bob loan remaining \$800. (reduce by \$800 contribution 2026)

As always, we're in it together so please tell us your suggestions on how or what we should do together.

Bob Allan and Ian Goldsmith