



*Financial Statements of the*

**CORPORATION OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF ST. CLAIR  
ST. CLAIR RIVER TRAIL TRUST FUND**

*December 31, 2007*



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## AUDITORS' REPORT

### **To the Members of Council, Inhabitants and Taxpayers of the Corporation of the Township of St. Clair**

We have audited the Statement of Financial Position of the **St. Clair River Trail Trust Fund of the Corporation of the Township of St. Clair** as at December 31, 2007 and the Statement of Financial Activity for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Corporation of the Township of St. Clair. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

Except as explained in the following paragraph, we conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

The Trust fund derives a portion of its revenue from donations, the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the Trust fund and we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to donation revenue.

In our opinion, except for the effect of adjustments, if any, which we might have determined to be necessary had we been able to verify donations satisfactorily as explained in the preceding paragraph, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the St. Clair River Trail Trust Fund of the Corporation of the Township of St. Clair as at December 31, 2007 and the financial activity for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting principles for municipal governments established by the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants.

*Collins Barrow KMD LLP*

London, Canada  
April 17, 2008

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**Statement of Financial Position  
December 31, 2007**

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	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
<b>FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>		
Cash	\$ 24,153	\$ 262,128
Accounts Receivable	7,728	3,339
	<hr/> \$ 31,881	<hr/> \$ 265,467
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ -
<b>FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR</b>	<hr/> <b>31,881</b>	<hr/> 265,467
	<hr/> <b>\$ 31,881</b>	<hr/> \$ 265,467

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ST. CLAIR  
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**Statement of Financial Activities**

**Year ended December 31, 2007**

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
<b>FUND BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<b>\$ 265,467</b>	<b>\$ 151,913</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>		
Donations	40,862	64,472
Municipal Contribution		96,478
Fundraising	7,015	10,569
Interest earned	7,871	3,443
	<u>55,748</u>	<u>174,962</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
Fundraising	1,478	5,413
Engineering & Construction	287,856	55,995
	<u>289,334</u>	<u>61,408</u>
<b>CHANGE IN NET FINANCIAL POSITION</b>	<b>(233,586)</b>	<b>113,554</b>
<b>FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR</b>	<b>\$ 31,881</b>	<b>\$ 265,467</b>

# **CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ST. CLAIR ST. CLAIR RIVER TRAIL TRUST FUND**

## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

**Year ended December 31, 2007**

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### **1. ACCOUNTING POLICY**

The financial statements of the St. Clair River Trail Trust fund are the representation of the management of the Corporation of the Township of St. Clair prepared in accordance with accounting principles prescribed for Ontario municipalities by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs. Since precise determination of many assets and liabilities is dependent upon future events, the preparation of periodic financial statements necessarily involves the use of estimates and approximations. These have been made using careful judgements.

#### *Accrual accounting*

Sources of financing and expenditures are reported on the accrual basis of accounting.

The accrual basis of accounting recognizes revenues as they become available and measurable; expenditures are recognized as they are incurred and measurable as a result of receipt of goods or services and the creation of a legal obligation to pay.

#### *Future Change in Accounting Policies*

In 2008, the municipality will apply the new recommendations of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants regarding the recognition, measurement and presentation of financial instruments following the release of Sections 3855, "Financial instruments – recognition and measurement", 3862, "Financial instruments – disclosure" and 3863, "Financial instruments – presentation". Management does not believe that these new standards will have a significant impact on the financial statements.

### **2. NATURE OF THE TRUST**

The trust is established to hold funds on behalf of the community to be employed in the development of a trail system following the St. Clair River, the length of the Township.