

Financial Statements of the

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

December 31, 2008



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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, 2008 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, 2008 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.

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Statement of Financial Position December 31, 2008

	2008	2007	
FINANCIAL ASSETS			
Cash Accounts Receivable	\$ 159,505 7,892	\$ 24,153 7,728	
	\$ 167,397	\$ 31,881	
LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ -	
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	167,397	31,881	
	\$ 167,397	\$ 31,881	

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Statement of Financial Activities Year ended December 31, 2008

	2008	2007
FUND BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 31,881 \$	265,467
REVENUE		
Donations	11,404	40,862
Municipal Contribution	97,574	,
Fundraising	35,536	7,015
Interest earned	10,303	7,871
	154,817	55,748
EXPENDITURE		
Fundraising	14,328	1,478
Engineering & Construction	4,973	287,856
0	19,301	289,334
CHANGE IN NET FINANCIAL POSITION	135,516	(233,586)
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	\$ 167,397 \$	31,881

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Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended December 31, 2008

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.

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.

3. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Financial instruments consist of cash, accounts receivable, investments and accounts payable. All financial instruments are considered current in nature and accordingly their value approximates fair value. Management has determined that the corporation is not exposed to interest rate and credit risks.