THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LINCOLN

BY-LAW NO. 2023-29

A BY-LAW TO ADOPT THE ESTIMATES OF ALL SUMS REQUIRED AND SET THE RATES OF TAXATION FOR THE YEAR 2023

WHEREAS:

- The *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25, Section 290 (1) provides that a local municipality shall, for each year, prepare and adopt a budget including estimates of all sums required during the year for the purposes of the municipality.
- The Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, Section 312 provides that a local municipality shall pass a by-law levying a separate tax rate on the assessment in each property class for purposes of raising the general local municipality levy.
- 3. The Assessment Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. A.31, establishes the classes of real property and methods of assessment, as well as provides for alterations to the property assessment roll.
- 4. The *Municipal Act*, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, Section 308 provides that an upper-tier municipality shall pass a by-law to establish a set of tax ratios for each property class where the residential property class tax ratio is 1 and the Regional Municipality of Niagara has passed By-law 2023-32 to establish such ratios.
- 5. The *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25, Section 311 provides that for the purposes of raising the general upper tier tax levy, the council of the upper tier municipality shall pass a by-law directing the lower municipality to levy a separate tax rate as specified in the by-law on assessment in each property class in the lower tier municipality rateable for upper tier purposes and the Regional Municipality of Niagara has passed By-law 2023-31 to establish such rates.
- 6. The *Education Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. E.2, O. Reg. 400/98 prescribes the education tax rates for each property class.
- 7. The Regional Municipality of Niagara has established the two mandatory rebate programs for low-income seniors and disabled persons and for charitable organizations.

NOW THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LINCOLN ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. That the estimates of revenue and expenditure resulting in a dollar levy of \$22,157,485 for local municipal purposes as detailed in Schedule "A" attached hereto and forming part of this by-law are hereby adopted.
- 2. That the tax rates outlined in Schedule "B" affixed hereto and forming part of this by-law are hereby approved for the Town of Lincoln for the year 2023, and shall be levied, raised and collected upon all assessment classes pursuant to applicable statutes and by-laws.
- That all taxes levied and collected under the authority of this by-law and any additional taxes which may be levied and collected pursuant to any other Act and any amounts placed on the collector's roll of the municipality pursuant to the *Weed Control Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. W.5, the *Public Utilities*

Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.52, the *Tile Drainage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. T.8, the *Shoreline Property Assistance Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. S.10 or any other applicable statute shall be paid into the hands of the Treasurer, and applied as directed by the statute in that behalf or as the said Council has, by bylaw, or by the said estimates for 2023 directed or shall from time to time hereafter direct and the sums collected under the authority of this by-law for regional and educational purposes shall be applied to those purposes in the manner directed by the statutes.

- 4. That there shall be credited on real property amounts charged and levied pursuant to By-law No. 2022-82, passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Lincoln on the 12th day of December, 2022, which provided for an interim tax levy.
 - a) The balance of taxes shall be due and payable on two installments, the first being July 31, 2023, and the balance due and payable September 29, 2023.
 - b) If the net tax levy (the sum of the July and September installments) is equal to \$50.00 or less, the whole of the net tax payable shall be due and payable on the July installment.
- 5. That the Treasurer shall mail or cause to be mailed, a printed notice specifying the amount of taxes payable in accordance with Section 343 of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, and O.Reg.162/02, as amended.
- 6. That the Treasurer and designates are hereby empowered to accept part payment from time to time on account of any taxes due.
- 7. That in accordance with section 345 of the Municipal Act, 2001, charges for the non-payment of tax or any installment shall be imposed in accordance with the following:
 - a) There shall be imposed a penalty for non-payment or late payment of all installment amounts that become due in accordance with this by-law and remain unpaid. The penalty shall be one and one-quarter per cent (1.25%) of the amount in default on the first day immediately following the installment due date;
 - b) Interest shall accrue at a rate of one and one-quarter per cent (1.25%) against all amounts that have become due and remain unpaid. Such interest shall be calculated and imposed on the first day of the calendar month following the default of each installment levied pursuant to this by-law and again on the first day of each calendar month thereafter for so long as the installment remains unpaid; and
 - c) For further clarity, interest imposed under this by-law shall not begin to accrue prior to the first day a tax amount has become due and remains unpaid.
 - d) That taxes paid at any financial institution must be initiated at least five days before the due dates.
- 8. That this By-law shall come into force and take effect on the date of its final passing.

PASSED AND ENACTED on the 29th day of May, 2023.

AYOR: SANDRA EASTON

CLERK: JULIE KIRKELOS

Town Of Lincoln 2023 Operating Budget

Revenues	
Tax Levy	22,157,485
Rate Charges	4,527,080
User Fees & Service Charges	3,523,479
Grants	652,200
Fines, Penalties & Interest	703,000
Taxation - Other	886,098
Financial Revenue	231,875
Revenue Total	32,681,217
Expenditures	
Compensation	16,177,347
Operational Services & Supplies	5,396,895
Administrative	2,159,384
Equipment, Vehicles, Technology	1,776,376
Utilities	914,877
Financial Expenditures	256,550
Expense Total	26,681,429
Net Before Transfers	5,999,788
Transfers	4,799,706
Net Town Departments	1,200,082
Agencies, Boards, Commissions (ABCs)	=======================================
Public Library	1,200,082
ABCs Total	1,200,082
Surplus/(Deficit)	420

SCHEDULE B TO BY-LAW NO. 2023-29

TOWN OF LINCOLN 2023 TAX RATES

Assessment Class	Class Code	Town Rate	Regional Rates			Education		
			General	Waste Management	Transit	Rate	Subtotal	B.I.A. Rate
Residential	RT	0.00499404	0.00623692	0.00048260	0.00032203	0.00153000	0.01356559	(iii)
Multi-residential	MT	0.00983826	0.01228673	0.00095072	0.00063440	0.00153000	0.02524011	*
New Multi-residential	NT	0.00499404	0.00623692	0.00048260	0.00032203	0.00153000	0.01356559	•
Commercial - Occupied	CT/ST/GT	0.00866416	0.01082043	0.00083726	0.00055869	0.00880000	0.02968054	0.00193781
Commercial - Excess/Vacant Land	CU/SU/CX	0.00801435	0.01000890	0.00077447	0.00051679	0.00880000	0.02811451	0.00179248
Commercial - Small-Scale On-Farm Business	C7/C0	0.00866416	0.01082043	0.00083726	0.00055869	0.00220000	0.02308054	0.00193781
Industrial - Occupied	IT	0.01313433	0.01640310	0.00126924	0.00084694	0.00880000	0.04045361	0.00293760
Industrial - Excess/Vacant Land	IU/IX	0.01214925	0.01517287	0.00117405	0.00078342	0.00880000	0.03807959	0.00271728
Industrial - Small-Scale On-Farm Business	I7/I0	0.01313433	0.01640310	0.00126924	0.00084694	0.00220000	0.03385361	0.00293760
Pipelines	PT	0.00850036	0.01061586	0.00082143	0.00054813	0.00880000	0.02928578	1#3
Farmlands	FT	0.00124851	0.00155923	0.00012065	0.00008051	0.00038250	0.00339140	1#3
Managed Forest	TT	0.00124851	0.00155923	0.00012065	0.00008051	0.00038250	0.00339140	2#3