

TOWNSHIP OF CHISHOLM
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16TH, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Cec Reid with Councillors David Hodgins, Susan Major, and Teresa Miller present. Mayor Leo Jobin was absent with regret. Staff members present were Public Works Supervisor (PWS) Real Gauthier and Clerk-Treasurer (CT) Linda Ringler

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST – None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

With the approval of the Committee, staff added to the agenda, a letter from P. Eng. Antoine Boucher with respect to Memorial Park Drive.

Resolution 2012-92 (PWC)

Susan Major – Teresa Miller: Be it resolved that the agenda be approved as presented and amended. ‘Carried’

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Resolution 2012-93(PWC)

Susan Major – Teresa Miller: Be it resolved that the Minutes of the September 18th, 2012 Public Works Committee meeting be adopted as printed and circulated. ‘Carried’

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

‘Business Arising from Minutes’ included the following items:

- Councillor Miller – asked if a price quotation had been received from Lewis Motors for rigid frame suspension for the new truck – nothing received as yet.
- Memorial Park Drive – has sand been taken off edges – tank has been taken off the truck, therefore Public Works won’t go at it this year, maybe next year.
- Has the survey work at landfill site been done – arrangements have been made for P. A. Blackburn to do the work.
- Bracing work on South Shore Road bridge – Work not done. Haven’t received anything from P. Eng. Boucher as yet.

- PWS Gauthier was asked to bring quotations for the packer to the next meeting.

Staff reported on the following items:

- Ontario Waste Diversion payment;
- Contact with City of North Bay re: landfilling of mattresses and sofas; and
- Update on Weed Inspector training.

CITIZEN'S PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS - None

OPEN FORUM - None

COUNCIL/STAFF PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS

Resolution 2012-94 (PWC)

Teresa Miller – David Hodgins: Be it resolved that the ‘Public Works Activity Report’ presented by Public Works Supervisor Real Gauthier be accepted as presented. ‘Carried’

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC WORKS

ITEMS OF DISCUSSION FROM PUBLIC WORKS CHAIR CEC REID

- (1) Gravel alternative – quarry stone from Bolton pit – Although gravel supply may be somewhat limited, Mr. Whitmell found a supply to crush for the year 2012. PWS Gauthier plans to ask Mr. Whitmell to strip the pit while he is here doing the gravel. PWS Gauthier has inquired about the possibility of obtaining quarry stone from Roger Bolton’s pit, but it appears that Mr. Bolton will be applying to change his license so that he can go below the water table before he does any blasting.
- (2) Discussion of winter schedule – appropriate time to deploy equipment during storm – PWS Gauthier will be the watchman all winter, and will call out the men when necessary.
- (3) New truck – radiator bracket – was bent, probably from accident; PWS to contact insurance agent.
- (4) Snowmobile trail – input from Public Works – last year there were snowmobiles whizzing by public works equipment during snowplowing operations. Councillor Major presented pictures of snowmobiles traveling on private properties, rather than the road allowance. The snowmobile trail on Maple Road is of major concern to the Committee. Staff was asked to investigate whether or not the township could pass a by-law to restrict snowmobile traffic on Maple Road.

Resolution 2012-95 (PWC)

David Hodgins – Teresa Miller: Be it resolved that the ‘Public Works’ Budget Report, dated September 28th, 2012, be accepted as presented. **‘Carried’**

The Committee reviewed information required for an application for “Chisholm Township” signs on Highway 11, and decided that it would like signs at the north and south entrances to Powassan. Staff was asked to contact a sign company for some preferable sizes, etc.

The Committee was provided with information from Ontario Good Roads Association as follows:

- OGRA Heads Up Alert re: Details on the five year extension granted on the use of handheld devices for municipal employees.
- Letter from OGRA re: Nominating Committee – nominations for directors.

Resolution 2012-96 (PWC)

Teresa Miller – David Hodgins: Be it resolved that the Public Works Committee acknowledges the receipt of a letter from P. Eng. Antoine Boucher re: Memorial Park Drive & further that the Committee is in agreement with this work being completed. **‘Carried’**

LANDFILL SITE

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION FROM PUBLIC WORKS CHAIR CEC REID

- (1) Crushing of non-household material – the Committee considered a price quotation from Sittler Grinding Inc. dated October 16th, 2012
- (2) Signs for depositing household garbage “up top” – to be left to Public Works Dept.
- (3) Fencing at back of “up top” area for vehicular safety – to be left to Public Works Dept.

Resolution 2012-97 (PWC)

David Hodgins – Teresa Miller: Be it resolved that the Public Works Committee recommends to Council that a price quotation for grinding at the Landfill Site (18 hours) be accepted, subject to funds being found in the Public Works Budget. **‘Carried’**

The Committee considered ‘Landfill Site Stats’ for the year 2012 provided by Gate Attendant Heather Henry.

Resolution 2012-98 (PWC)

Susan Major – David Hodgins: Be it resolved that the Public Works Committee accepts a recommendation from staff to have free truck loads at the Landfill Site restricted to the months of May and October. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2012-99 (PWC)

Teresa Miller – Susan Major: Be it resolved that the ‘Environmental Services’ Budget Report, dated September 28th, 2012, be accepted as presented. **‘Carried’**

OTHER

Roof on rear entrance of municipal office/fire hall building – An invitation to tender has been published in the newsletter.

Grading of ground at rear entrance of office building – PWS Gauthier hopes to grade the parking area before winter freeze-up, and if it all can’t be done then at least something done at the back door.

Laporte Park – PWS Gauthier was asked to look at the boat ramp to see what kind of repairs are required.

Trimming of roadway was discussed, and staff was asked to write a letter to Ministry of Natural Resources requesting permission to trim the road into the park.

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 2012-100 (PWC)

Susan Major – Teresa Miller: Be it resolved that the Public Works Committee does now adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, November 20th, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. or at the call of the Chair. **‘Carried’**

Chairperson

Clerk-Treasurer