

**TOWNSHIP OF CHISHOLM**  
**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING**

**THURSDAY, APRIL 24<sup>TH</sup>, 2014**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Cec Reid with Mayor Leo Jobin and Councillors David Hodgins, Susan Major, and Walter Ross present. Guests in attendance were Tim Grimster, Chris Jull, Les Milton, Gerry and Kelsey O'Connor, and Nunzio Scarfone. Staff members present were Public Works Supervisor (PWS) Real Gauthier and Clerk-Treasurer (CT) Linda Ringler.

**DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST** – None noted.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

With the approval of the Committee, staff added the following items to the agenda:

- Update from Township's Engineer re: Memorial Park Drive Bridge; and
- A summary of *hired equipment* rates.

**Resolution 2014-34 (PWC)**

David Hodgins – Walter Ross: Be it resolved that the agenda be approved as presented and amended. **'Carried'**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Resolution 2014-35 (PWC)**

Walter Ross – David Hodgins: Be it resolved that the Minutes of the March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Public Works Committee meeting be adopted as printed and circulated. **'Carried'**

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES** – None noted

**CITIZEN'S PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS** - None

## **COMMITTEE/STAFF PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS**

### **Resolution 2014-36 (PWC)**

David Hodgins – Walter Ross: Be it resolved that the ‘Public Works Activity Report’, presented by PWS Real Gauthier, be accepted as presented. **‘Carried’**

Councillor Susan Major asked about the weight limit signs for the South Shore Bridge, and was advised that the signs are on order.

Mayor Leo Jobin commended the Public Works staff for the excellent job they did in pushing the snow banks off the roads.

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

### **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION FROM PUBLIC WORKS CHAIR CEC REID**

- (1) Update on International Plough Truck – CT Ringler updated the Committee on the status of the International Truck repairs. The Committee discussed the possibility of having the suspension corrected; extra supports on each cross member, and the truck inspected by the Ministry of Transportation and the Ministry of Labour after it is repaired.
- (2) Congratulations on spring road conditions – Public Works Chair Cec Reid extended congratulations to PWS Gauthier and his staff for the good spring road conditions.
- (3) Results of Meeting with Clerk, Engineer, and Public Works Supervisor re: Chiswick Line – CT Ringler updated the Committee on the various topics covered at the meeting. PWS Gauthier reported that P. Eng. Boucher would be in the Township tomorrow to check out the bridge on Memorial Park Drive, and to check out various aspects of the Chiswick Line project for preparation of tenders.
- (4) Summer projects (other than Chiswick Line) – ditching, brushing, maintenance, and bridge on Memorial Park Drive.
- (5) Start summer holiday schedule – Holiday schedule is in progress and is due by May 1<sup>st</sup>.
- (6) Discuss ‘14/’15 winter schedule (changes, if any) – PWS Gauthier was of the opinion that the schedule worked well. The possibility of scheduling someone to come in at 3:00 a.m. was discussed, but overtime and Collective Agreement issues were raised. PWS Gauthier advised that he tries to use part-timers after 4:00 p.m., and tries to keep overtime down as much as possible.
- (7) Roof conditions on township garage – Roof was to be insulated last year. Now it is leaking. A possible fix might be to rebuild and insulate the roof from the exterior.
- (8) Contract for ’14 gravel crushing (also sand) – Tenders have been advertised in the newspapers and on the website, and will be opened at the May 15<sup>th</sup> Public Works Committee meeting.

- (9) Locations of '14 ditching – South Shore Road, and Boundary Road. Other locations to be determined, subject to the availability of funds.
- (10) Roadside brushing contract and areas to be done – May have to hire brusher out of Burks Falls or Sturgeon Falls, for hard to get areas.

CT Ringler advised that the revised draft *Level of Service* and *Asset Management Plan* documents have not yet been received back from Glenn Tunnock Consulting Ltd.

CT Ringler provided updated information on the New Building Canada Fund.

**Resolution 2014-37 (PWC)**

Walter Ross – David Hodgins: Be it resolved that the 'Public Works' Budget Report for the month of March, 2014, be accepted as presented. **'Carried'**

An email from P. Eng. Antoine Boucher with respect to the bridge on Memorial Park Drive, and a summary of *Hired Equipment Rates* was provided to the Committee.

**Resolution 2014-38 (PWC)**

David Hodgins – Walter Ross: Be it resolved that this Committee takes a ten-minute recess. **'Carried'**

Time: 7:50 p.m.

**Resolution 2014-39 (PWC)**

Susan Major – Leo Jobin: Be it resolved that this Committee returns to regular session. **'Carried'**

Time: 8:05 p.m.

**Landfill Site**

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION FROM PUBLIC WORKS CHAIR CEC REID**

- (1) Shack: floor insulation and panel – Mayor Jobin reported that he would visit the landfill site next week, and report back to the Committee.
- (2) Tire pile – Driver will call when in area, and arrange a pick-up for 50 or more tires.
- (3) Contract for crushing (chipping) and burial of non-household material – to be done this year, and then moved to two or three year cycle thereafter.

**Resolution 2014-40 (PWC)**

Leo Jobin – Susan Major: Be it resolved that the draft response from Knight Piésold Ltd. be revised to not include the installation of new monitoring wells at the landfill site this year, and further that once revisions are made to this effect, that the letter be accepted for distribution to the Ministry of Environment. **'Carried'**

**Resolution 2014-41 (PWC)**

Susan Major – Leo Jobin: Be it resolved that the Public Works Committee requests Knight Piésold Ltd. to revise its proposed contract for 2014 landfill site work to exclude the installation of four new monitoring wells at the landfill site, and the test pitting and sampling at property boundary. **‘Carried’**

**Resolution 2014-42 (PWC)**

Leo Jobin – Susan Major: Be it resolved that the ‘Environmental Services’ Budget Report for the month of March, 2014, be accepted as presented. **‘Carried’**

**OPEN FORUM**

During the *Open Forum*, the following items were raised:

- Township crew working without proper visibility/signage on Village Road.
- Resolve drainage issues in lake/river prior to start of work on Chiswick Line.
- When frame work on truck is complete, have them do a loaded stress test to provide proof that truck is ok.
- Question auditor as to what percentage the Township can afford to lower its taxes.
- Is Beach Road on the agenda for ditching?

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Resolution 2014-43 (PWC)**

Susan Major – Leo Jobin: Be it resolved that this Committee does now adjourn to meet again on Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. or at the call of the Chair. **‘Carried’**  
Time: 8:40 p.m.

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Chairperson

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Clerk-Treasurer