

TOWNSHIP OF CHISHOLM

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

THURSDAY, JUNE 19TH, 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 Chris Jull, Lori Anderson, Nunzio Scarfone, and Les Milton. Staff members present were Public Works Supervisor (PWS) Real Gauthier and Acting Clerk Alice Lauzon.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST – None noted.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

- Email from Lori Anderson re: drainage problems; and
- Email from Kim Frederick re: ditching & culverts

Resolution 2014-60 (PWC)

Leo Jobin – Walter Ross: Be it resolved that the agenda be approved as presented and amended. ‘Carried’

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Resolution 2014-61 (PWC)

Walter Ross – Leo Jobin: Be it resolved that the Minutes of the May 15th, 2014 Public Works Committee meeting be adopted as printed and circulated. ‘Carried’

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES – None.

CITIZEN’S PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

Lori Anderson brought some drainage issues with two areas affecting her farming activities to the attention of the Committee. After some discussion, it was agreed that the Public Works Supervisor and the Chair of the Public Works Committee would meet with her the next day to investigate the problem.

COMMITTEE/STAFF PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS

It was noted that the fence at the tennis court needs to be straightened and some concerns were expressed about some apple trees being left behind by the brush cutter.

Members were informed that sweeping of the intersections and roads has started and should be done in a few days, weather depending.

Resolution 2014-62 (PWC)

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

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC WORKS

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION FROM PUBLIC WORKS CHAIR CEC REID

- (1) International truck – Public Works Supervisor asked to contact Insurance Company and ask them to hurry; the truck is needed!
- (2) Calcium Application – Four loads have been spread already on the roads; should be done by next week with two more loads coming on Wednesday and Thursday.
- (3) Culverts on Village Road – No update yet; Mayor to contact the Engineer for answers.
- (4) Chiswick Line Project – Will be starting on Tuesday, June 24th at the corner of Gravelle and heading east on Chiswick.
- (5) Timelines for gravel and sand for 2014 – gravel to be done by end of September and sand by end of August.
- (6) Brush cutting – Done for this year.
- (7) Roadside grass cutting – Have contractor coming later this summer; intersections and signs will be done by public works staff.
- (8) Sand removal – Sweeping has started and should be done in a few days.
- (9) Road damage by logging trucks – Members informed that damage was done by gravel trucks. Complaints received about dust due to logging trucks; calcium coming to area next week.
- (10) Water tank on truck – Public Works Supervisor asked to look into cost of plastic tanks with manufacturers since it will probably have to be replaced next year.
- (11) Garage roof repairs – Public Works Supervisor will contact contractor who did roof on garage in Sundridge. If over \$5,000, will have to be put out to tender.

The Public Work Department’s vacation schedule was distributed to members for their information.

Resolution 2014-63 (PWC)

Walter Ross – Leo Jobin: Be it resolved that the “Public Works” Budget Report for the month of May, 2014, be accepted as presented. **‘Carried’**

It was also noted that the Ford Ranger will require some work. The Department has received a quote for \$3,500 to fix it. Truck will have to be checked thoroughly first to see if worth fixing.

A complaint was also received by Mrs. Kimberley Frederick regarding some drainage/ditching problems affecting their property. It was agreed that the Public Works Supervisor and the Public Works Chair would visit the area to check it out and report back.

Resolution 2014-64 (PWC)

Susan Major – Leo Jobin: Be it resolved that this Committee takes a ten-minute recess.

‘Carried’

Time: 8:08 p.m.

Resolution 2014-65 (PWC)

David Hodgins – Walter Ross: Be it resolved that this Committee returns to regular session.

‘Carried’

Time: 8:18 p.m.

Landfill Site

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION FROM PUBLIC WORKS CHAIR CEC REID

- (1) Chipping of non-household material – Public Works Supervisor is waiting to communicate with the contractor.
- (2) Burial of material – Will be done same as usual.
- (3) Heating of shack in winter – It was suggested that instead of turning on and off all winter, to leave it on at low setting; building is well insulated.
- (4) Interior walls – no update.
- (5) Collection of windblown material – has been done but will check to see if more is needed.

A traffic and bag count from January 2014 to May 2014 was received by members for their information.

Resolution 2014-66 (PWC)

Leo Jobin – Walter Ross: Be it resolved that the “Environmental Services” Budget Report for the month of May, 2014, be accepted as presented. **‘Carried’**

OPEN FORUM

During the Open Forum, the following concerns were voiced:

- Owner of Booth Landing expressed concern that recycling contractor is refusing to pick up the larger square bins. Staff to look into matter.
- Mayor Jobin to contact the Engineer in order to obtain some information on the Village Road culvert.

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 2014-67 (PWC)

Leo Jobin – Walter Ross: Be it resolved that this Committee does now adjourn to meet again on Thursday, July 17th, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. or at the call of the Chair.

Time: 8:40 p.m.

Chairperson

Clerk-Treasurer