

TOWNSHIP OF CHISHOLM
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Chairperson Walter Ross with Mayor Leo Jobin and Councillors Chris Jull, and Nunzio Scarfone present. Councillor David Hodgins was absent from the meeting. Les Milton was the only guest in attendance. 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

Resolution 2015-10 (PWC)

Chris Jull – Nunzio Scarfone: Be it resolved that the agenda for this meeting be approved as presented. ‘Carried’

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Resolution 2015-11 (PWC)

Chris Jull – Nunzio Scarfone: Be it resolved that the Minutes of the January 15th, 2015 Public Works Committee meeting be adopted as printed and circulated. ‘Carried’

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Councillor Nunzio Scarfone asked if the Municipal Engineer had been notified of the frost heaves on Golf Course Road, and was advised that PWS Real Gauthier will update him at the OGRA/ROMA Conference. The condition of frost heaves in other locations was discussed.

Councillor Scarfone also asked if a response had been sent to Connie Zimmer, and was advised that Mayor Leo Jobin had personally spoken with her, and she was satisfied with his response.

CITIZEN’S PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS - None

COMMITTEE/STAFF PRESENTATIONS/REPORT

Councillor Chris Jull noted that he had heard from two people that maintenance operations on Memorial Park Drive have improved. Councillor Scarfone also noted that the *dead end* sign at River Road is barely visible due to snow, and requested that this be rectified as soon as possible for safety reasons.

Resolution 2015-12 (PWC)

Chris Jull – Nunzio Scarfone: Be it resolved that the *Public Works Activity Report*, presented by Public Works Supervisor Real Gauthier, be accepted as presented. **‘Carried’**

NEW BUSINESS

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Resolution 2015-13 (PWC)

Chris Jull – Nunzio Scarfone: Be it resolved that the Public Works Department install bump signs on Golf Course Road and other locations as required. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2015-14 (PWC)

Chris Jull – Nunzio Scarfone: Be it resolved that the Public Works Committee requests the Public Works Supervisor to obtain price quotations for an excavator for the next Finance Committee Meeting. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2015-15 (PWC)

Chris Jull – Nunzio Scarfone: Be it resolved that the Public Works Committee recommends to Council that staff be instructed to do some research for a new *Performance Evaluation Review* method appropriate for Public Works employees. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2015-16 (PWC)

Chris Jull – Nunzio Scarfone: Whereas the Ministry of Transportation is seeking stakeholder input on whether to consider changing the default speed limit for local roads within urban areas; and Whereas the Public Works Committee wishes to recommend to Council that input from Chisholm Township be provided on this matter;
Now therefore be it resolved that the Public Works Committee recommends to Council that its position be that the current default speed limit of 50 km/hr be maintained. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2015-17 (PWC)

Nunzio Scarfone – Chris Jull: Be it resolved that the Public Works Committee recommends to Council that the speed limit at the following locations be reduced to 40 km/hr:

- Alderdale Road – vicinity of the store for approximately 450 meters; and
- Kells Road – vicinity of the Amish School. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2015-18 (PWC)

Leo Jobin – Nunzio Scarfone: Be it resolved that the Public Works Committee requests that staff respond to the letter of complaint from Rene Labrecque. **‘Carried’**

PWS Real Gauthier reported that the *2014 Bridge Report* recommends the replacement of Culvert 14A on Wasing Road. Public Works Chair Walter Ross and Councillor Nunzio Scarfone will accompany Public Works Supervisor Real Gauthier on a site visit, and report back to the Committee on this matter.

Resolution 2015-19 (PWC)

Leo Jobin – Nunzio Scarfone: Be it resolved that the *Public Works Budget Report* for the month of January, 2015, be accepted as presented. **‘Carried’**

Resolution 2015-20 (PWC)

Chris Jull – Leo Jobin: Be it resolved that the Public Works Committee accepts, as presented, a *Fuel Consumption Report* for the month of January, 2015. **‘Carried’**

During discussion of the *Fuel Consumption Report*, the Committee requested additional information be provided as follows:

- Kilometers or hours for each piece of equipment; and
- Meter reading at the first and end of the month.

LANDFILL SITE

It was noted during the review of the *Environmental Services Budget Report* that revenue for *recycling* and *tipping fees* could be increased by \$1,000 and \$500 respectively.

Resolution 2015-21 (PWC)

Chris Jull – Leo Jobin: Be it resolved that the *Environmental Services Budget Report* for the month of January, 2015, be accepted as presented. **‘Carried’**

OPEN FORUM

During the Open Forum the following comments were made:

- Might be a good idea to maintain the speed limit on Alderdale Road, at the south end, at 40 km rather than having it at 60 km/hr for a short distance;
- Difference for clear diesel fuel on the *Fuel Consumption Report* for the month of January seems high at 530 litres.

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 2015-22 (PWC)

Chris Jull – Leo Jobin: Be it resolved that this Committee does now adjourn this meeting. In future Public Works Committee Meetings will be combined with the Council Meeting scheduled for the 4th Tuesday of the month, with the exception of the months of July, August, and December, when it will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month. **‘Carried’**

Time: 8:10 p.m.

Chairperson

Clerk-Treasurer