

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES

Wednesday, April 25, 2012



The Committee met at 229 Broadway, Orangeville at 7:00 a.m.

Members Present: Councillor Ken McGhee (Chair)
Warden Walter Kolodziechuk
Councillor Paul Mills
Councillor Don McIver

Staff Present: Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer
Trevor Lewis, Director of Public Works
Scott Martin, Operations Supervisor
Michelle Dunne, Deputy Clerk

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest by Members_– None

DELEGATION

1. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – April 25, 2012 – ITEM #1
Entrance on County Road #5

Mr. Jim Irvine and Mr. Jeff House addressed the Committee regarding the entrance at 152551 County Road 5. A diagram of the entrance was provided and circulated by staff. The entrance size does not conform to County policies and they are requesting an exemption be allowed for safety reasons. The Committee requested staff investigate erecting signs to warn drivers of trucks turning.

Moved by Councillor MacIver, seconded by Councillor Mills

THAT the entrance at 152551 County Road 5 be allowed to be outside of the parameters of the County Entrance Policy provided that the applicant enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the County to monitor the entrance, be responsible for culvert maintenance and undertake to have line markings;

AND THAT the Warden and Clerk be authorized to sign the Memorandum of Understanding.

-Carried-

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

Ms. Cheryl Russell, Conserve Our Rural Environment (CORE) asked where in the process is the Arbour Farms peer reviews. The Director of Public Works

responded he has received the information from Arbour Farms and that there have been on-going discussions with staff at Mulmur Township. Once the three parties reach an agreement on what needs to be done by whom, a consultant will then be retained to complete a peer review. Ms. Russell asked where the proposed entrance to the gravel pit will be located. She suggested that it be clearly identified.

REPORTS

2. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – April 25, 2012 – ITEM #2
All-Way Stop Warrant – CR#16 and Townline/5 Sideroad

A report from the Director of Public Works, dated April 25, 2012 with respect to an all-way stop warrant for the intersection of County Road #16 and Mono-Amaranth Townline/ 5 Sideroad.

Moved by Councillor MacIver, seconded by Councillor Mills

THAT the report from the Director of Public Works, dated April 25, 2012 with respect to an all-way stop warrant for the intersection of County Road #16 and Mono-Amaranth Townline/ 5 Sideroad, be received:

AND THAT a street light be added and a flashing light be installed over the intersection.

-Carried-

3. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – April 25, 2012 – ITEM #3
Capital Project Surpluses

A report from the Director of Public Works, dated April 25, 2012 with respect to the use of surplus capital funds in order to finalize projects.

Moved by Councillor Mills, seconded by Councillor MacIver

THAT Report PW-2012-04-25 Capital Project Surpluses, from the Director of Public Works dated April 25, 2012 be received;

AND THAT the surplus of \$182,009 from County Road 17 be transferred as follows:

- \$75,000 to County Road 16
- \$107,009 to County Road 18 at 5 Sideroad in Mulmur;

AND THAT the surplus of \$41,339 from County Road 3 be transferred to County Road 18 at 5 Sideroad;

AND THAT the surplus of \$384,000 from County Road 5 be transferred to County Road 18 at 5 Sideroad.

-Carried-

4. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – April 25, 2012 – ITEM #4
Crew Leader Premium

A report from the Director of Public Works, dated April 25, 2012 with respect to a crew leader premium.

Moved by Councillor MacIver, seconded by Councillor Mills

THAT Report PW-2012-04-25 Crew Leader Premium, from the Director of Public Works dated April 25, 2012 be received;

AND THAT crews of five or more employees have an “in charge” person;

AND THAT a Crew Leader Premium of 6% of the regular wage be paid after a minimum of 4 hours as the “in charge” person.

-Carried-

5. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – April 25, 2012 – ITEM #5
Construction Schedule

A report from the Director of Public Works, dated April 25, 2012 with respect to a construction schedule for 2012 road projects.

Moved by Councillor Mills, seconded by Councillor MacIver

THAT Report PW-2012-04-25 Construction Schedule, from the Director of Public Works dated April 25, 2012 be received for information.

-Carried-

6. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – April 25, 2012 – ITEM #6
Living Snow Fence

A report from the Director of Public Works, dated April 25, 2012 with respect to provide information on the living snow fence program.

Moved by Councillor Mills, seconded by Warden Kolodziechuk

THAT Report PW-2012-04-25 Living Snow Fence Program from the Director of Public Works dated April 25, 2012 be received;

AND THAT Staff be authorized to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Nottawasaga Conservation Authority and Grand River Conservation Authority for the provision of the living snow fence program.

-Carried-

CORRESPONDENCE

7. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – April 25, 2012 – ITEM #7
Living Snow Fence

Correspondence from the Township of Melancthon dated April 12, 2012 requesting support for living snow fences on Dufferin Road 124 from Hwy 89 to Dufferin Road 17.

Moved by Warden Kolodziechuk, seconded by Councillor Mills

THAT the correspondence from the Township of Melancthon dated April 12, 2012 requesting support for living snow fences on Dufferin Road 124 from Hwy 89 to Dufferin Road 17, be received.

-Carried-

DISCUSSION ITEMS

8. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – April 25, 2012 – ITEM #8
Road Closures and Advance Warning Signage for Safety of Emergency Staff

A discussion on road closures and advance warning signage for safety of emergency staff as requested by the Chair. The Operations Supervisor indicated that emergency traffic control procedures are discussed through the Dufferin/Caledon Road Supervisors' Association. Road closures procedures have not been discussed recently.

Moved by Warden Kolodziechuk, seconded by Councillor MacIver

THAT staff coordinate a review of the emergency traffic control procedures with the local municipalities.

-Carried-

9. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – April 25, 2012 – ITEM #9
Construction Scheduled for 2012

As requested by the Chair, the Committee had a discussion on the construction scheduled for 2012 to identify affected municipalities. The Director of Public Works noted that each municipality receives information of the upcoming scheduled projects taking place in their municipality along with a copy of the 5 year capital plan. The Committee discussed the need for better ways to share the information, the use of coloured maps specifically identifying work being done and the use of press releases.

10. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – April 25, 2012 – ITEM #10
Stanton Intersection – Update

The Chair requested an update on the timelines for addressing traffic calming at the Stanton Intersection. The Director of Public Works informed the committee that the signage for the reduced speed limit has been erected and that the speed activated warning signs have been ordered and are expected end of May.

OTHER BUSINESS

11. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – April 25, 2012 – ITEM #11
Capital Road Project Request

Correspondence from Melancthon Township dated April 23, 2012 requesting the County to reconsider the time frame for reconstruction of County Road 21 between the 4th Line and 8th Line in Melancthon Township was circulated on desk.

Moved by Councillor MacIver, seconded by Warden Kolodziechuk

THAT the correspondence from Melancthon Township dated April 23, 2012 requesting the County to reconsider the time frame for reconstruction of County Road 21 between the 4th Line and 8th Line in Melancthon Township be referred to the 2013 budget deliberations.

-Carried-

12. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – April 25, 2012 – ITEM #12
Salt Management Plan

The Operations Supervisor gave a verbal report on the past winter season. He noted that even though it was a mild winter, with only 75 winter events, the salt usage was still high. The Committee requested staff to review the Salt Management Plan and look at alternatives to salt and report back to the Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:47 a.m.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 28, 2012 at 7 a.m.
Operations Centre Primrose

Respectfully Submitted,

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Councillor Ken McGhee, Chair
Public Works Committee