

Roads Committee Meeting
Minutes
February 9, 2021
9:00 a.m.

Attendees: Sheryl Scott, Glenn Hagerman, Bob Clarke, Councillor Roy Reeds, Gord Schad, Joan Donaldson – Via Phone

Meeting Chaired by Councillor Roy Reeds

1. Motion to adopt minutes of January 12, 2021 meeting; Motion by Joan Donaldson to accept the minutes, Seconded by Bob Clarke
2. **No conflict of interest declared.**
3. **Roads updates:**

Road Work:

- Brushing/Tree removal at Glanmire – Large trees were removed with a feller buncher that the roads crew could not safely take down themselves.
- Continual sanding & plowing

Equipment:

- Spring was broken on the ½ ton and wheel bearing needed replaced in the other ½ ton
- Maxi pot replaced in T6 (2013)
- T6 Service was due and break line was replaced

4. New Business

- **Island Road Update:** Glenn discussed with the Madoc Roads Supervisor, the original agreement between the two townships is being followed, Glenn will contact Madoc Roads Supervisor if any issues arise.
- **Review & discuss tractor quotations –** After reviewing the quotations for the tractor and attachments Glenn felt that it was too expensive of a purchase overall and recommended that the committee consider alternatives. Other options that were presented included renting a tractor during the summer months and purchasing the necessary attachments which would minimize potential repair costs, finding/waiting on parts. After considerable discussion the committee made the following recommendation:
The roads committee recommends to council the approval of purchasing a drag – tractor to be rented. Motion was made by Glenn Hagerman and seconded by Bob Clarke
- **Beaver Creek Lane Winter Maintenance Discussion:** The committee discussed and determined that Beaver Creek Lane is already and as per the Municipal Act must continue to be maintained as per our MMS.
- **Infrastructure Loan Potential Payout:** The Committee received a report prepared by Sheryl Scott to consider paying out the Infrastructure Loan on the grader- (Report is attached) The Committee would like to refer this discussion to Council during their Regular Budget Meeting.
- **MESH Program:** Committee members suggested requesting Nancy Carrol attend the next roads committee meeting to explain, provide information and discuss the benefits of the MESH Program since she was initially involved when the program was implemented, Sheryl suggested that unless Nancy wanted to attend the meeting it might be more productive that she (Sheryl) seek out alternative solutions and compare them to the existing program instead of taking up Nancy's time.
- **Safety Issues Surrounding Turn Arounds:** The committee requested that Glenn prepare a report outlining all of the turn arounds to present to Council outlining details of the turn

around location, ie no turn around, has to back up such as at Old Hastings Rd,

There have been two occasions – one at the Grimsthorpe Waste Site and once at Egan Creek Rd where vehicles were blocking the turn around.

- 5. Old Business – Budget:** Brief discussion on the 2021 Budget, will be discussed further line by line at the next meeting (hopefully in person)

Gord Schad questioned the Gas Tax Funding and the Grant for the Weslemkoon Lake Rehabilitation project that was discussed during the regular meeting of council, it was explained once again that the Weslemkoon Lake project is being funded by a grant provided by the Federal Government and that the Municipalities portion cannot be funded through the Gas Tax (Provincial Funds). The gas tax can however cover the surface treatment for the other portion of Weslemkoon Lake Rd and the Municipalities portion of the Weslemkoon Lake Rd Rehabilitation can be paid through reserves. Gord Schad also questioned the purchase of new locks at the roads garage, Glenn explained that they had been having trouble with several of the locks and had them replaced with a more streamlined system of coded locks instead of different keys for each door.

Motion to adjourn made by Glenn, Seconded by Gord

Next Meeting March 9th @ 9:00am