

Roads Committee Meeting

Minutes

December 14, 2021

9:00am

Attendees: Councillor Reeds, Sheryl Scott, Gord Schad, Glenn Hagerman, Joan Donaldson -

Councillor Reeds Called the meeting to order at 9:00am

1. Motion to adopt the minutes of the November 16, 2021 meeting:

by Glenn Hagerman, Seconded by Bob Clarke

2. No Conflict of Interest Declared

3. Roads Updates:

Road Work:

- Culvert replacement on Egan Creek is complete
- Snowplowing, sanding
- Removing trees after Dec. 11th windstorm

Equipment:

All equipment currently working

T6 truck was repaired – it had an air leak in the relief valve and front leaf spring replaced

Loader – steering by-pass pump needs replaced – waiting until January

Still awaiting invoice from Capital for tractor rental.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Grader Loan - Recommended that although the high interest savings account is earning a lesser interest rate than the grader loan that any recommendation to pay off the grader loan be deferred until more information is obtained. The high interest savings account is only a portion of the investments and can be moved back to the regular operating account within 48 hours should it be needed. The remaining investments are earning a higher rate of interest and these statements will be provided quarterly – it is best to compare the rate of return once the statement is available which should be January. The other consideration is the

recently received roads needs study report which outlines projects and approximate costs that should be completed in 2022, within 1-5 years, and 6-10 years. Sheryl recommended that all of this be considered before a recommendation was made to council to pay out the grader loan.

2. January meeting date – January 18th
3. Gas Tax – request from the committee to find out the criteria for gas tax funding – is it based on population, km of roads? Etc. to the next meeting

Old Business

1. Island Road maintenance – Glenn would like to arrange an informal meeting with Madoc township to discuss potential alternatives to the existing agreement – potentially each township look after summer maintenance of own roads.
2. Budget – Committee members discussed each line of the budget and made recommended changes – will revisit in January once all accounts have been paid. It was also requested that Glenn prepare a list ranking the 2022 projects that he deems must be done vs would like to be done.
3. Mower Purchase – Glen will prepare a spreadsheet showing how many hours were billed for grass cutting, tractor rental hours, manpower hours etc.

Motion to Adjourn made by Gord Schad and seconded by Joan Donaldson

Next Meeting January 18, 2022