

Public Works Committee Meeting

Minutes

March 14, 2023

9:00am

Present: Deputy Mayor Bob Bridger, Roy Reeds, Marg Elliott, Sheryl Switzer, Glenn Hagerman, Gord Schad, Regrets - Mary Fox

Deputy Mayor Bridger Called the meeting to order at 9:00am

1. Motion to adopt the minutes of the February 21, 2023 Public Works Committee Meeting:

by Roy Reeds, Seconded by Gord Schad

2. No Conflict of Interest Declared

3. Roads Updates:

Road Work:

- Snowplowing & sanding as needed
- Cutting trees

Equipment:

New plow truck not yet completed

All other equipment working well

WASTE SITE REPORT:

In 2022 the township was charged \$3686.55 for the removal of bulky waste and residents were billed \$2765.00

There were 35 mattresses billed to residents (this information was tracked due to the weigh of the mattresses after sitting out getting wet to consider if a storage container to keep them dry was warranted) The committee felt that the costs/revenue did not warrant the purchase of any container for the bulky waste at this time.

Old Business: Waste Site Hours

Motion to Council to change the waste site hours four consecutive days, to Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday 10am – 5pm all year long with no change from winter to summer hours.

This would result in an overall increase in the budget due to increased hours. Currently the winter hours are 24 hours per week and the summer is 32 hours / week.

The proposed schedule would be Millbridge Friday and Sunday, Grimsthorpe Saturday and Monday's with a target start date of June pending Ministry approval.

Equipment at Waste Site

Motion to Council to approve \$40,000.00 in the Capital Budget from reserves to purchase as skid steer or excavator for the waste site to replace the track loader. The committee would like to do more research on the best type of equipment but would like \$40,000.00 earmarked for this purchase.

NEW BUSINESS – CAPITAL PROJECTS

1. Review Roads Needs Study and Asset Management Plan
The Public Works Committee reviewed each document –
The Asset Management Plan identified the “roads set at the highest priority for assessment and repair/reconstruction” as Orange
The Roads Needs Study categorized the roads with the highest priority for repair as “Time of Need – Now”

Asset Management Plan list

Wolf Lake Rd – has already been completed, only requires regular maintenance

Mayo Lake Rd – This is NOT a township maintained road and should not be included

Cooney's Rd. – Needs approximately 10 loads of gravel then regular maintenance. Identified as a high need however not high priority as not a heavily travelled road compared to most others in the township. (Only two properties on the road)

North Jordan Lake Rd – It has been ditched – does require a bit more. Requires grading and the turn around needs to be widened. Rocks need to be removed at the top of the hill to open up line of sight – a quote will be required.

Trumble Rd - Requires rock breaking & gravel to finish (half the road has been completed) Again, identified as a high need however not high priority as not a heavily travelled road. (One property owner accesses road regularly)
East Rd – This has been completed to the turnaround and graveled 2 years ago.

Roads Needs Study List

Section 105 Davidson Rd – Requires soil & rock removal - preliminary work for rehabilitation. Large trees need to be removed that the plow hits – suggested \$50,000 budget to start this work

Section 125 Centre Millbridge Rd – This section does require a total rehabilitation as it was previously asphalt

Section 230 Old Gilmour Rd – Graveled last year with 2” of gravel

Section 265 Pine View Ridge Rd – Seasonally maintained Rd – only ** properties beyond this portion – identified high need however not high priority as not a heavily travelled road.

Section 295 Old Boundary Rd – This was graveled 4 years ago – requires a top up of 2 loads.

Sections 301, 302, 303,304,305,306,307 Weslemkoon Lake Rd – These sections will require ICIP funding – it is not prudent to invest that much into it at this time as there is significant ongoing logging operations that is adding a huge amount of traffic. Repair sections as needed until logging operations cease or slow down and traffic and weight volumes return to normal.

Section 315 St. Ola Rd – needs ditching and gravel

Section 320 Trumble Rd – Requires gravel and rock breaking est. \$10,000.00

Section 460 Steenburg Lake South Rd – Requires extension of culvert and cable guard rails est. \$55,000.00 as well as tree removal \$400.00/hour –

Follow up from last month

1. : Pnewko Bros – No longer picking up oil containers. Consulted with Faraday Township to see if they can be taken to the HHWD – they advised that we should continue collecting them and stock piling as they have no one collecting theirs at this time either.

Motion to Adjourn made by Gord Schad and seconded by Marg Elliott

Next Meeting April 11, 2023