

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF BONNECHERE VALLEY
MINUTES
COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY MAY 3, 2022 3:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING AND VIA ZOOM CONFERENCING**

PRESENT **Mayor Jennifer Murphy
Deputy Mayor Brent Patrick
Councillor Jack Roesner
Councillor Tim Schison
CAO Annette Gilchrist
Deputy CAO Sandra Barr**

REGRETS **Councillor Merv Buckwald**

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CALL TO ORDER COMMITTEE MEETING

Chair, Tim Schison called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

MOVED BY **Jennifer Murphy**

THAT: the agenda be accepted with the removal of a closed session item Cost of Living Allowance and the addition of a closed session item regarding an identifiable individual.
Carried

PECUNIARY INTEREST OR GENERAL NATURE THEREOF –

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED BY **Brent Patrick**

THAT: the Minutes of the Committee Meeting on April 19, 2022 be accepted as presented.
Carried

DELEGATIONS

REPORTS

Works & Waste Department

Jason Zohr, Works Superintendent was present and gave his report.

- a) Transportation Master Plan - At the meeting of County Operations Committee on March 8, a resolution directing County staff to issue a Request for Proposal for Professional Services for the development of a Transportation Master Plan (TMP) for the County of Renfrew. Bonnechere Valley Township does not have a Transportation Master Plan. Committee recommends that we proceed with being included in the RFP for developing a TMP in conjunction with the County of Renfrew. If the cost of the Plan is higher than anticipated the Township may withdraw from the project without penalty;
- b) Tower – Correspondence Item Bxvii Tower at Opeongo and Klondike Road - Committee recommends support of the Rogers Tower in principle;
- c) Wieland Shore – Committee discussed the letter from residents of Wieland Shore regarding the condition of the road. Committee recommends that the Roads Department do some preliminary work on the road to make it better. Committee directed Jason Zohr to contact the MNRF regarding the erosion and potential shoreline work, contact a surveyor for an estimate on the survey, and contact our engineers for an estimate on the redesign work.

Works Department Report Received.

CLOSED SESSION

MOVED BY **Brent Patrick**

THAT: Committee proceed in Closed Session in accordance with the Municipal Act S.O. 2001 c.25, section 239.2 to deal with a matter as indicated below:

(k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board.

Carried

MOVED BY Brent Patrick

THAT: Committee moves out of Closed Session to rise and report that Committee met to receive information and give staff direction regarding the negotiation of winter maintenance of the Connecting Links with the Ministry of Transportation. Carried

Fire Department

Dave Murphy, Fire Chief, was present and gave his report.

- a) The department has had nineteen calls for service in 2022;
- b) The recruiting process is ongoing. The interview process is continuing with new applicants;
- c) All maintenance activities are continuing. All apparatus and equipment remain service ready;
- d) In person training continues;
- e) In person inspections have resumed. The Fire Department will be participating in the Eganville and District Public School Fun Fair on Thursday May 19;
- f) Fire Department will be doing a Fundraising Boot Toll on Friday May 20;
- g) Ontario Firefighter Certification – Changes were made to the certification requirements that were passed for pumper operators, changes were made to extrication, and they reduced some of the job specific requirements. The Chief feels that with the changes our Fire Department is in a good place;
- h) Foymount Firehall Addition – Committee discussed a new fire hall versus an addition. Dave Murphy to bring back numbers; and
- i) The new Extrication Equipment has been ordered and delivery is expected within the month.

Fire Department Report Received.

2022 Budget Presentation

Annette Gilchrist, CAO presented the 2022 Budget.

Water & Sewer Department

Daryl Verch, Water & Sewer Superintendent was present and gave his report.

- a) The Eganville Drinking Water System continues to operate in full compliance with all requirements;
- b) The Water Meters replacement will be scheduled for the month of August with Neptune for R-900 Meters with radio frequency registers;
- c) Water Department is having issues with our SCADA Computer System and the remote control of the water tower and four sewage pumping stations due to low or loss of the internet signal from the Arena Tower and the Tower at the Municipal Office;
- d) The new mixer will be installed in the Water Tower shortly;
- e) An advertisement will go out for a new employee to work for the Department;
- f) The Eganville Sewage System continues to operate in full compliance according to the Provincial Guidelines that are set out in the Certificate of Approval; and
- g) The application for the Consolidated Linear Infrastructure for the Sewage Collection Works Approvals was sent into the Environmental Compliance Approval Branch.

Water & Sewer Report Received.

CORRESPONDENCE

(A) Correspondence "A"

- (i) Cunningham Swan - Integrity Commissioner Services - Annual Report 2021
- (ii) AMO Watchfile
- (iii) AMCTO Issue at a Glance

(B) Correspondence "B"

- (i) City of Barrie - Joint and Several Liability
- (ii) Township of Alwicks Haldimand - Joint and Several Liability

- (iii) Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks - 2022 Provincial Day of Action on Litter
- (iv) Ministry of Infrastructure – Notification of Broadband News Release
- (v) County of Renfrew – Transportation Master Plan
- (vi) June Hanson – Wieland Shore Road Deterioration Concerns
- (vii) Victim Services of Renfrew County – Request for Proclamation
- (viii) Township of West Lincoln - Funeral, Burial and Cremation Services Act
- (ix) Township of Zorra - Joint and Several Liability
- (x) Town of Gravenhurst – Russian Sanctions
- (xi) Town of Gravenhurst – Floating Accommodations
- (xii) Township of Muskoka – Decibel Limits on Boat Motor Noise
- (xiii) Town of Halton Hills – Build It Right The First Time
- (xiv) City of St. Catharines - Housing Affordability Task Force
- (xv) Town of South Bruce Peninsula - New Home Tax Rebate Program
- (xvi) Municipality of Arran-Elderslie – Wind Turbine
- (xvii) Rogers Communications – C8623 Opeongo Road & Klondike Road
- (xviii) Bonnechere Union Public Library Request
- (xix) Township of Amaranth support for More Homes Act

(C) Correspondence “C”

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- (1)** Mayor’s Report – Jennifer Murphy updated Committee;
 - In the month of April the Mayor attended nineteen meetings and two events on behalf of the Township of Bonnechere Valley and the County of Renfrew;
 - The new recreation group meets this Thursday and will to come to Committee on May 17 to present their ideas;
 - County Council met for a Special Meeting on April 20 and were provided with an in depth review of Development Charges;
 - The County of Renfrew Highway 512 road expansion has run into a problem with Hydro and Bell poles relocation. The County has sent a letter to both agencies. Committee recommend that the township also send a letter to ensure that this reconstruction is able to be completed on schedule;
 - Renfrew County VTAC has been expanded to do clinics and they will be looking for space to run these clinics;
 - Jennifer has applied for a position on the Eastern Ontario Leadership Council;
- (2)** BUPL Request Recommendation – Committee approves the Bonnechere Union Public Library request to erect a permanent 10 x 10 gazebo shelter outside of the library, and support their grant application. Committee also recommends that the Township share a copy of the gazebo plans and estimated costs for gazebo that will be installed at the Splash Pad in an effort to ensure that all gazebos in the community look the same;
- (3)** County Transportation Master Plan Recommendation – At the meeting of County Operations Committee on March 8, a resolution directing County staff to issue a Request for Proposal for Professional Services for the development of a Transportation Master Plan (TMP) for the County of Renfrew. Bonnechere Valley Township does not have a Transportation Master Plan. Committee recommends that we proceed with being included in the RFP for developing a TMP in conjunction with the County of Renfrew. If the cost of the Plan is higher than anticipated the Township may withdraw from the project without penalty;

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ESTABLISH NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday May 17, 2022 at 3:00 pm

CLOSED SESSION

MOVED BY **Brent Patrick**

THAT: Committee proceed in Closed Session in accordance with the Municipal Act S.O. 2001 c.25, section 239.2 to deal with a matter as indicated below:

(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees. Carried

MOVED BY **Brent Patrick**

THAT: Committee moves out of Closed Session to rise and report that Committee met to receive information and give staff direction regarding a request for access to park off Fourth Chute Road and to approve minutes from February 15, 2022. Carried

CONCLUSION

MOVED BY **Jennifer Murphy**

THAT: the meeting adjourn at 4:50 p.m. Carried

Tim Schison, Chair

Annette Gilchrist, CAO