

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF BONNECHERE VALLEY
MINUTES
COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY MARCH 1, 2022 3:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING AND VIA ZOOM CONFERENCING**

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

REGRETS **None**

GALLERY **8**

CALL TO ORDER COMMITTEE MEETING

Chair, Tim Schison called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

MOVED BY Jennifer Murphy

That: the agenda be accepted with the addition of Item #4 Allowing the General Public back in the Council Chambers, and Item #5 Covid Policy at the Eganville Arena.

Carried

PECUNIARY INTEREST OR GENERAL NATURE THEREOF –

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED BY Brent Patrick

That: the Minutes of the Committee Meeting on February 15, 2022 be accepted as presented.

Carried

DELEGATIONS **None**

REPORTS

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) Staff have completed the 2021 Water Compliance Reports;
- c) The 2021 Water Taking Report have been completed and submitted;
- d) Several calls have been received about frozen water services;
- e) The two post chlorine pumps were replaced;
- 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;
- g) The 2021 Yearly Compliance and Sludge Reports have been completed;
- h) The 2021 Mumps Forms were completed and submitted to the Ministry of the Environment;
- i) The fourth quarter report was completed and submitted to Environment Canada; and
- j) The Geo-Tube Facility is all back together and has been running the last two weeks.

Water & Sewer Report Received.

Works & Waste Department

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

- a) The Sand Shed and the Augsburg Road Tenders are out and will come back for approval once closed;

- b) Committee recommends that the Roads Department proceed with the purchase of the 2022 Tiger boom mower as discussed in the Public Works Budget through Canoe/LAS under Part V Section 3 of the Township procurement by-law;
- c) Committee recommends that the Roads Department proceed with the purchase of a 2022 Komatsu WA270 loader through Canoe/LAS;
- d) Half Loads – Half loads are not coming into effect on March 1st, it will be later in the month. Signs will be bagged until half loads come on; and
- e) Committee recommends that Jason Zohr discuss the dip in Augsburg Road with our engineers at the Augsburg Road Tender site meeting on March 15th.

Works Department Report Received.

Fire Department

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

- a) The department has had eight calls for service in 2022;
- b) The recruiting process is ongoing. All recruit class members are now responding fire fighters;
- c) All maintenance activities are on a modified schedule until further notice. All apparatus and equipment remain service ready. SCBA testing is now complete;
- d) In person training has now resumed with Covid protocols in place;
- e) In person inspections will resume as Covid restrictions lift;
- f) Firefighter certification has been recently re-introduced by the Provincial government; and
- g) Estimates for the Foymount fire hall will be available in April.

Fire Department Report Received.

CORRESPONDENCE

(A) Correspondence "A"

(B) Correspondence "B"

- (i) Township of Clearview - Funding Support for Infrastructure Projects Bridge and Culvert Replacements.
- (ii) Municipal of Affairs and Housing – Bill 13, the Supporting People and Businesses Act, 2021
- (iii) City of Thorold - Dissolve Ontario Land Tribunal
- (iv) Township of Adelaide Metcalfe - Closing Revolving Door of Justice
- (v) Municipality of Shuniah - Northern Ontario School of Medicine
- (vi) Township of Perth South – Catch & Release Justice
- (vii) Township of Limerick – Gypsy Moth Spraying
- (viii) City of Sarnia – Dissolve Ontario Land Tribunal
- (ix) Town of Halton Hills – Dissolve Ontario Land Tribunal
- (x) MalloryTown – Dissolve Ontario Land Tribunal
- (xi) Township of Puslinch – Funding Support for Infrastructure Projects Bridge and Culvert Replacements
- (xii) County of Renfrew – Changes to the Ontario Planning Act
- (xiii) Renfrew County and District Health Unit – Maintaining COVID-19 Vaccination Policies
- (xiv) Town of Gravenhurst – Dissolve Ontario Land Tribunal
- (xv) Town of Aurora – Dissolve Ontario Land Tribunal
- (xvi) Township of Alnwick Haldimand – Year of the Garden 2022
- (xvii) Norfolk County – Year of the Garden 2022
- (xviii) Madawaska Valley Studio Tour 2022– Sponsorship Package

(C) Correspondence "C"

- Biii) Committee recommends support of the City of Thorold – Dissolve Ontario Land Tribunal resolution to be brought forward to the next meeting of Council;
- Bxvi) Committee recommends support of the Year of the Garden resolution to be brought forward to the next meeting of Council;
- Bxviii) Committee recommends support of the Madawaska Valley Studio Tour 2022 for \$275

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- (1) Mayor's Report – Jennifer Murphy updated Committee;
- In the last two weeks the Mayor attended fourteen meetings on behalf of the Township of Bonnechere Valley and the County of Renfrew;
 - The County of Renfrew has entered into a Twinning Agreement with Renfrewshire Scotland to help promote tourism;
 - Committee discussed the proposed fee increase at the County of Renfrew for the Severance Pre-Consultation Fee. Committee was not in support of the County implementing a fee for this service;
- (2) EGC Update – Tim Schison updated the Committee on the EGC;
- (3) Proposal for the Tourism Relief Fund Strategy – Staff requested proposals from three recommended firms but has only received one back. Committee recommends that the contract be awarded to BRAIN TRUST Marketing & Communications;
- (4) Allowing the General Public back in the Council Chambers – Committee recommends allowing the public back in the Council Chambers so long as provincial regulations are followed; and
- (5) Covid Policy at the Eganville Arena – No proof of vaccination is required by individuals who attend the Eganville Arena as of March 1st. The arena ice season has been extended until April 9th, 2022.

ESTABLISH NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday March 15, 2022 at 3:00 pm

CONCLUSION

MOVED BY Merv Buckwald

That: the meeting adjourn at 4:00 p.m.

Carried

Tim Schison, Chair

Annette Gilchrist, CAO