

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF BONNECHERE VALLEY
MINUTES
COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY JUNE 3, 2025 1:30 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING AND VIA ZOOM
CONFERENCING**

PRESENT

Mayor Jennifer Murphy
Deputy Mayor John Epps
Councillor Merv Buckwald
Councillor Brent Patrick
CAO/Clerk Annette Gilchrist

REGRETS

Councillor Tracey Sanderson

GALLERY

None

CALL TO ORDER COMMITTEE MEETING

Chair, Jennifer Murphy called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

MOVED BY Merv Buckwald

That: The agenda be accepted, as amended, with the addition of email correspondence from S/Sgt regarding correspondence Item B2. Carried

PECUNIARY INTEREST OR GENERAL NATURE THEREOF – None declared

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED BY Brent Patrick

That: The Minutes of the Committee Meeting on May 20, 2025 be accepted as presented. Carried

DELEGATIONS None

REPORTS

Water & Sewer Department

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

- a) The Eganville Drinking Water System continues to operate in full compliance with all requirements;
- b) Completed several locates for Enbridge Gas;
- c) Four sets of sampling of the filter water well and GAC filter underdrains for e-coli, coliforms and HPC;
- d) Pritchard Generation Technician was on site to carry out the 1st bi-annual maintenance and load bank testing;
- e) Staff flushed the dead-end hydrants;
- f) Staff flushed the water main on John Street;
- g) The Eganville Wastewater System continues to operate in full compliance with all requirements as set out in the Certificate of Approval;
- h) A new set of taps was installed in the Chemical Building;
- i) Staff opened the RV Dumping Station for the season May 1st;
- j) Pritchard Generation Technician was on site to carry out the 1st bi-annual maintenance and load bank testing on all three generators;
- k) Staff checked the sanitary manholes.

Water & Sewer Report Received.

Works & Waste Department

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

- a) Employment Opportunity - Equipment Operator/Labourer position: Our new Equipment Operator/Labourer starts on June 10th at the Public Works Department. Congratulations to Jeremy Ott and he will be a welcomed addition to the team;
- b) 4 days of 10-hour shifts - Staff in the Roads Department will be split into 2 groups beginning May 31, 2025 (start of pay period 13) as per the CUPE collective agreement they will commence 10 hour days for 4 days a week. Group 1 will work: Tuesday to Friday 6:30 am to 5:00 pm
Group 2 will work: Monday to Thursday 6:30 am to 5:00 pm
Staff requested an amendment to the 2025 Summer Schedule Work Hours as they would like the hours to be 6:00 am to 4:30 pm. If this works for the summer the Township we will see about making it permanent in the agreement moving forward. Committee recommends making this change;
- c) Retirement of Sanitation Assistant - Congratulations to John Valliquette on his retirement. John served as a Sanitation Assistant on the back of the sanitation truck for his 4 years. Staff advertised for a new staff member for this position. Closing date is Wednesday June 4, 2025;
- d) The Household Hazardous Waste Depot opened for the summer season on Saturday, May 17, 2025. The depot will be open ONLY on Saturdays from 9 am to 4 pm and will run until September 27, 2025;
- e) Sno Drifters and Hwy 41 Waste Sites will be closed on Tuesday, July 1, 2025 for the Canada Day;
- f) Tender for ¾ ton 4x4 Double Cab Pickup Truck: We received 1 tender for the Three Quarter ton 4x4 Double Cab Pickup Truck with Western Plow Harness Wiring and V Plow Controller. Committee recommends that the tender to Mack Mackenzie Motors Limited in the amount of \$92,746.45 including HST and Air Conditioning Tax;
- g) The tender for the maintenance gravel closed on May 30th. Committee recommends that the tender be awarded to Bonnechere Excavating Inc. in the amount of \$108,143.80 including HST;
- h) The tender for the sidewalk replacement on Bell Street closes on Thursday, June 5, 2025;
- i) Cross Walk at Patrick & Wellington Streets - There are only two companies that have gotten back to us with quotes for the supply and installation for a passive detection system for the cross walk at Patrick & Wellington Streets. The companies are Signalisation Kalitec Inc and Cedar Signs Inc. Committee recommends that the Township of Bonnechere Valley enter into an agreement with Signalisation Kalitec Inc. in the amount of \$24,737.80 (including HST) for the Cross Walk Project.

Works Department Report Received.

Building & Fire Department

Darryl Wagner, CBO & Fire Chief was present and gave his report.

- a) The Department had forty calls for service from January to May 2025;
- b) Fire fighter recruitment is ongoing.

Fire Department & Building Report Received.

CORRESPONDENCE

(A) Correspondence "A"

1. AMO Watchfile May 22
2. AMO Watchfile May 29
3. AMO Policy May 23
4. AMO Policy May 28
5. MOH Report to the Board
6. Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus
7. FCM Communique

8. Reintroduction of the Geologic Carbon Storage Act
9. AMO Watchfile May 29

(B) Correspondence "B"

1. Northern Health Travel Grant Program
2. Request to extend noise by-law and give an exemption for an event
3. Revised Request for Untraveled Road Purchase
4. Request to Purchase Unopened Road Allowance

(C) Correspondence "C"

- B.2 Committee agrees to the request from Amber Kent and Martin Chapeskie regarding extending the noise by-law for a wedding and directed staff to bring back any concerns to the next meeting if received by June 13, 2025. OPP had no concerns.
- B.3 Committee agrees to the request in principal from Karen and Jeff Smith and directed staff to move forward with the next steps.
- B.4 Committee agrees to the request in principal from Jason Bouchard and directed staff to move forward with the next steps.

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ESTABLISH NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Meeting will be held on Tuesday June 17, 2025.

MEDIA SESSION

CLOSED SESSION

MOVED BY Brent Patrick

THAT: Committee proceed in Closed Session in accordance with the Municipal Act 2001, section 239.2 to deal with the matters as indicated below:
(e) litigation or potential litigation

Carried

MOVED BY Merv Buckwald

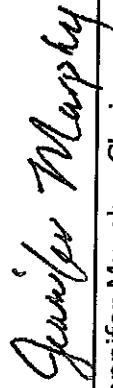
THAT: Council moves out of Closed Session at 2:42 p.m. to rise and report that Council met to receive information and give staff direction regarding an invoice from Brian's Little Carpentry and approved minutes from April 22, 2025.

CONCLUSION OF MEETING

MOVED BY Brent Patrick

THAT: the meeting adjourns at 2:43 p.m.

Carried



Jennifer Murphy, Chair



Annette Gilchrist, CAO/Clerk