



PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

REPORT

Held Thursday, November 7, 2013 at 8:30 a.m.
In the Classroom, Town Hall

PRESENT:

C. Patterson	Mayor
D. Foster	Deputy Mayor/Chair
N. Bifulchi	Councillor/Co-Chair
M. Bercovitch	Councillor
S. Wells	Councillor
G. Vadeboncoeur	Chief Administrative Officer/Deputy Clerk
K. Lalonde	Director of Public Works
M. Pincivero	Public Works Engineer
S. Chapman	Recording Secretary

ABSENT:

1. CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Foster called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST - None

Deputy Mayor Foster declared no disclosure of pecuniary interest. He informed Committee that Councillor Bifulchi has declared a Pecuniary Interest with respect to item 5 m) Public Works Accounts – September 2013, cheques #14970 and 148540, as they pertain to a family member. Deputy Mayor Foster advised Committee that if they have a disclosure of pecuniary interest during the meeting, they can come forward at that time.

3. DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

a) Mr. Edward Kanat from Seniors Without Wheels will be in attendance with respect to the cancellation of Bus Route #3 to Park Place.

Mr. Kanat was welcomed to the meeting. He then thanked Committee for allowing him to conduct his presentation. Mr. Kanat stated he is legally blind, his wife has dementia. He indicated he lives in Park place and enjoys the bus service the Town of Wasaga Beach provides. He mentioned that there are approximately 900 baby boomer residents within the Park Place Development, some with licenses and some without, due to medical reasons. He expressed that residents within this community are going to need a bus service and it is a set back with taking the bus service away. He noted there are twelve riders steady that utilize the service off and on, but the timing of the service was not sufficient in getting to Doctors/Dentist appointments, etc. He mentioned that many residents within the Park Place development shop, bank, spend money in town, pay taxes and vote and they are very shocked that they have been casted aside. Mr. Kanat stated that in time, he feels the bus service for this area will progress. He stated several residents have disabilities and it is too far for them to walk and that Public transportation should be available.

Mr. Kanat then spoke to Bus Service Route 1, which he had travelled on along Mosley Street back in 2011 and pointed out that at that time there was no one on it, but since then it has progressed. He then spoke to the bus route that travels to Archer Road and back to the Waterside Retirement Complex. He stated on several occasions he has noticed there has been no one on the bus and feels it is a waste of fuel, as well as wear and tear on the vehicle. He suggested consideration be given to alternate the service to have the bus come down to Park Place.

Mr. Kanat expressed that the bus service that was provided twice a day was too short and did not provide enough time for residents to get to Doctor appointments and back home. He suggested extending the service from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. He further mentioned that this would also allow residents to be able to travel to Collingwood. Mr. Kanat then spoke to the ridership numbers outlined for the Park Place Development during the trial period. He indicated the information does not appear to be correct given the twice a day, twice a week operation on the nine passenger bus and believes there was a mistake made.

Mr. Kanat then spoke to Bus Route 3, where residents getting on the bus at Foodland head east to the Arena, and once they are at the Arena, they must pay a fee again for the bus to commence the route. He pointed out that very few individuals get on the bus from the Arena to the next stop at Walmart and feels this area of the route should be reviewed. Mr. Kanat asked Committee if they can reconsider the bus service for Park Place as there is potential for this area growing and feels the bus service will be utilized, it just needs to give it time. Mr. Davidson then spoke to Committee, noting that Park Place is a community off the beaten track and it is difficult for residents to get around. The Park is growing and outlined the concerns residents have with many getting older, and physical constraints. The bus service is very important to them in having the opportunity for their independence, in being able to get out. Mr. Kanat stated many residents were shocked to read in the local newspaper that subsidy was provided for the bus service to Collingwood/Blue Mountains and found that their bus service was cut off. Mr. Kanat then thanked Committee for their time. He stated he has gathered a petition to drop off, as he understands it must go to Council. He then left the petition with the CAO. Deputy Mayor Foster stated the Transit Service is evolving and this was a trial period that was conducted; but he stated they are continuing to look at ways to improve the service. Deputy Mayor Foster then thanked Mr. Kanat for his presentation. He then left the meeting.

b) Mr. Reid Mitchell from Ainley Group will be in attendance to discuss the Nottawasaga River Crossing – Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Phase 3- Public Information Centre (PIC) No. 2.

Deputy Mayor Foster welcomed Mr. Mitchell and his Assistant Wendy Smeh to the meeting. Mr. Mitchell stated he was asked by Mr. Pincivero to attend the meeting to briefly outline the Nottawasaga River Crossing Class Environmental Assessment, Phase 3 boards to be presented at the Public Information Centre (PIC) No. 2. Mr. Mitchell then reviewed the Class EA Problem Statement and the Phase 2 recommended solution. He then outlined the Municipal Engineer's Association's Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Planning and Design Process and pointed out where the Nottawasaga River Crossing Class EA is designated in Phase 3. He noted that bridge cross-section and alignment options were reviewed in order to determine the most suitable type of bridge to accommodate the river crossing in the vicinity of Powerline Road.

He further indicated that through the EA process that the bridge should accommodate vehicular and pedestrian traffic, as well as recreational traffic such as bicycles and snowmobiles. He then identified the four different options displaying diagrams depicting each one of them. He stated Ainley Group's recommended option is Option 4, based on the evaluation of the bridge cross-section options, as it provides the most benefits of the cross-section options.

Mr. Mitchell then outlined the Bridge Alignment options A through D(c). He stated it is considered that Option D(b) would provide the best alignment and cross-section, as the advantage is that there are fewer developed properties to be acquired. He further pointed out that this option allows for a pedestrian/recreational bridge to be built in as early as ten years and/or as warranted and approved by Council for Active Transportation connectivity to accommodate the growing recreational traffic in Wasaga Beach. He further stated this alignment option also provides safety to pedestrians during construction and during future use due to its distance from the vehicular traffic bridge, as it will channel pedestrian traffic away from 18th Street intersection. Mr. Mitchell suggested holding the Public Information Centre in the spring, as some residents are away during the winter months. Committee agreed. Discussion then ensued as to the costing and the advantages of having two bridge projects, instead of just one, other than the time frame. Mr. Mitchell stated it allows the provision of a multi-use bridge at an earlier date while deferring the vehicular bridge. Councillor Bercovitch stated he has concerns with building a bridge and then having to build another bridge. He suggested Option 2, with two lanes of traffic with multi-use lane. He pointed out that identifying the options as (a), (b), and (c) in the presentation will be confusing to the public identifying it this way. Mr. Lalonde informed Committee that Environmental Assessments are looked at every ten years. He indicated that through Development Charges, there is the potential for recovery and opportunities there. He stated if cost is the controlling factor, it is more flexible in identifying the need for the construction. Mayor Patterson thanked Mr. Mitchell for the excellent presentation and agrees that the recommendations for two bridges make sense. Councillor Bifulchi suggested there is a need to secure property now for down the road. Deputy Mayor Foster agreed. Mr. Lalonde advised Committee that the recommended solution will be presented at the (PIC) for public comment. Committee concurred. The CAO then inquired about the Option 4 diagram and if the rectangular shaped piers outlined in the diagram would be going into the river? Mr. Pincivero stated this is a longer clear span bridge and, at this point, there is no indication that the piers will be installed in the river. The CAO stated this would be beneficial information to relay to the public at the meeting. He further mentioned that the feedback he received from the last (PIC) was the residents thought the project was proceeding in five years, therefore they should be made aware of the timeframe for this project. It was then;

MOVED BY N. BIFOLCHI

SECONDED BY M. BERCOVITCH

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-09-01

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby receive the Nottawasaga River Crossing Class Environmental Assessment Phase 3 Public Information Centre (PIC) No. 2, for information.

CARRIED

Mr. Lalonde informed Committee that a By-law has been drafted for the installation of the stop signs at Ramblewood Drive and Green Pine Crescent. He indicated that once the By-law is passed by Council, he will proceed to have the stop signs installed.

Councillor Wells then inquired about the installation of the speed and “No Heavy Truck” signs. Mr. Lalonde stated the speed sign was installed at Lyons Court and Ramblewood Drive and the “No Heavy Truck” signs were installed immediately following the opening of Ramblewood Drive some time ago. Deputy Mayor Foster asked if OPP speed enforcement can be conducted in this area? Mr. Lalonde stated that traffic counters can be placed in the area to confirm speeds in this area as well.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Public Works

a) Mr. Pincivero to provide Engineer’s Report on Capital Works Project Status Report.

Mr. Pincivero provided Committee with further information with respect to his Engineer’s Report on Capital Works Projects. He stated the Robinson Road Storm Water Management Pond Project; the site review scheduled, has since been cancelled and another meeting has not yet been rescheduled. He stated some of the deficiencies may not be able to be completed until the spring of 2014.

He then spoke to the Knox Road East Servicing Project; He stated they are planning to pave the side roads next week, and noted that all the paving is anticipated to be completed by the last week of November. He stated with the Shore Lane and Betty Boulevard Drainage Outlet Improvement Project; He noted the property at 2222 Shore Lane has been sold and now he will be going through the total cost of the purchase and sale to determine the cost sharing amount, which he believes will be half the budgeted amount.

Mr. Pincivero then outlined the Design Projects. He indicated that the Trillium Creek Flow Containment Berm RAP 5C Project; Acquisitions are still required. He then spoke to the Schoonertown Bridge Widening Design Project; He pointed out that plans are to prepare the tender this year in November or December, with construction to commence in the spring of 2014. Mr. Pincivero then reviewed the Constance Boulevard and Thomas Street Drainage Improvements Project, noting that the cross-section has been developed by Ainley Group and a conceptual plan for the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority (NVCA) for review between the Town and the private property owner.

Mr. Pincivero then reviewed the Studies. He stated the Town Wide Water Well Development Study and Environmental Assessment Project; the 30 day review period has elapsed and the report will be filed with the Ministry of the Environment (MOE) and the Town may proceed with the proposed expansion of the well supply system. He then stated with the Sunnidale Trails Secondary Plan – External Water Booster Station Class Environmental Assessment Project; He met with the Developers and Ainley Group last Friday to discuss the location of the pump station, and a copy of the recommendation solution is attached to the Public Works Committee Agenda.

Mr. Pincivero then spoke to the Pedestrian Crossing Locations along Mosley Street through Beach 1 Area Study; He indicated a Request for Quotation was prepared for Electrical Contractors. He stated they are in the process of purchasing materials for the installation. He noted the prices are reasonable and he will have a report to come forward at the next Public Works Committee meeting. He stated the install will be completed before the May long weekend 2014. It was then;

MOVED BY M. BERCOVITCH
SECONDED BY S. WELLS

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-09-02

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby receive the October 29, 2013 Engineer's Status Report on Capital Works Projects, for information.

CARRIED

b) Screened Winter Sand Tender, Contract No. PW2013-15.

Deputy Mayor Foster then read the motion. Committee had no comments. It was then;

MOVED BY M. BERCOVITCH
SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-09-03

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby recommend to Council to award Contract No. PW2013-15 for the Supply and Mixing of Screened Winter Sand to The Sarjeant Company Limited in the amount of \$43,740.00 (excluding HST).

CARRIED

c) Fuel Tender, Contract No. PW2013-18.

Deputy Mayor Foster then read the motion. Committee had no comments. It was then;

MOVED BY S. WELLS
SECONDED BY M. BERCOVITCH

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-09-04

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby recommend to Council to award Contract No. PW2013-18 for the Supply & Delivery of Gasoline and Diesel Fuel to Pye Brothers Fuels Limited, in the amount of \$4,388.50, (excluding HST).

CARRIED

d) Bulk Highway Coarse Salt, Contract No. PW2013-17.

Deputy Mayor Foster then read the motion. Committee had no comments. It was then;

MOVED BY N. BIFOLCHI

SECONDED BY M. BERCOVITCH

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-09-05

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby recommend to Council to award Contract No. PW2013-17 for the Supply of Bulk Highway Coarse Salt to The Canadian Salt Company Limited, in the amount of \$30,895.00, (excluding HST).

CARRIED

e) Water Conservation Measures Rebate Program.

Deputy Mayor Foster then read the motion. Councillor Bercovitch inquired if a Supplier of rain barrels could be contacted to attend the Home Show. Mr. Lalonde stated he can contact a specific company to inquire if they could attend. Deputy Mayor Foster stated this is a good program and pointed out it is advertised on the Town website. It was then;

MOVED BY M. BERCOVITCH

SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-09-06

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee recommends to Council that the Water Conservation Measures Rebate Program continue in 2014 and that it be reviewed at the end of the year to determine if it should continue in 2015.

CARRIED

f) Encroachments on Town Property - Policy.

Deputy Mayor Foster then read the motion. The CAO informed Committee that the Clerk will be coming to the meeting to speak to this item. Deputy Mayor Foster then asked Committee if they are in agreement to move on with the Agenda until the Clerk is present to discuss this item. Committee concurred.

g) Ministry of Transportation – Pavement Rehabilitation of Beachwood Road from Mosley Street to Highway 26.

Deputy Mayor Foster then read the motion. Mr. Lalonde advised Committee that a meeting is scheduled for November 20th, 2013 with the Ministry of Transportation, Town of Collingwood, Town of Clearview and the Town of Wasaga Beach to discuss downloading, and at that time Mr. Lalonde stated he will address pavement rehabilitation of Beachwood Road from Mosley Street to Highway 26 once again. He stated he will keep Committee informed following the meeting. Mr. Lalonde indicated that the asphalt costs for the paved shoulders could be upwards of \$110,000.00.

It was then;

MOVED BY S. WELLS
SECONDED BY M. BERCOVITCH

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-09-07

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby receive the Ministry of Transportation correspondence dated October 10th, 2013 with respect to Pavement Rehabilitation of Beachwood Road from Mosley Street to Highway 26, for information.

CARRIED

Deputy Mayor Foster then referred back to item 5 f) Encroachments on Town Property - Policy.

The Clerk then spoke to the Encroachment Policy. She mentioned a general policy was created to address encroachments on town property and provide guidance and direction on how Council wishes to deal with encroachments on municipal property. She indicated there have been more and more concerns that have come forward related to encroachments, such as concerns addressed with Public Works operations, By-law Office operations, real estate sales, planning applications, but mostly through public complaints, and there needs to be some guidelines on how to deal with these types of situations. She pointed out that at the October 17th, 2013 General Government Committee meeting it was recommended that Council adopt the proposed policy for encroachments on road allowances and municipally owned property, subject to the review of the Public Works Committee. She indicated it is a general policy, to provide clear direction and guidance for a simplified and transparent approach to dealing with encroachments on Town lands. She briefly identified the different types of encroachments that staff frequently deal with. Discussion then ensued as to enforcement of the Policy. The Clerk stated once the Policy is in place, the guidance is there to have encroachments removed. She stated the Town can conduct the work in removing the encroachment and bill back to the property owner through their property taxes, or depending on the encroachment, an Agreement between the property owner and the Town could be entered into. Councillor Wells stated he is in agreement with the Policy, but asked if the wording could be changed under the section noted Encroachments will not be permitted in the following circumstances; bullet one- on page 3 of the Policy. He suggested clarifying this further, we should include that the encroachment creates an unsafe condition/poses a danger to the public, such as, but not restricted to sight lines, for an example. Following discussion, The Clerk stated she would look at rewording this section of the Policy and bring it forward to Council. It was then;

MOVED BY M. BERCOVITCH
SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-09-08

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby recommend to Council to adopt the proposed policy for encroachments on road allowances and municipally owned property.

CARRIED

h) County of Simcoe – County’s Transportation Master Plan (TMP) Update Interim Report #1.

Deputy Mayor Foster then read the motion. Committee had no comments. It was then;

MOVED BY N. BIFOLCHI

SECONDED BY M. BERCOVITCH

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-09-09

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby receive the invitation to review the County of Simcoe Transportation Master Plan Interim Report #1, for information.

CARRIED

i) Proposed 2014 Rates & Fees – Amendments/Additions.

Deputy Mayor Foster then read the motion. Mr. Lalonde stated as Committee may be aware, the reason why these fees were introduced is that the Engineering Division was to take over responsibilities for administering Water Application approvals in-house and recover fees associated with the same. He stated Environmental Compliance Approvals are the new approvals that are issued in lieu of the Certificates of Approval (C of A). It was then;

MOVED BY . BERCOVITCH

SECONDED BY S. WELLS

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-09-10

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby recommend to Committee of the Whole, as Budget Committee, that Council approve the proposed rates and fees for the Public Works Department, as follows:

Watermain Extension, including amendment to Water License \$750.00

Sewer Extension-MOE Sewer Application Process (Transfer of Review) \$750.00

CARRIED

j) Sunnidale Trails Secondary Plan Water Booster Station Class Environmental Assessment – Notice of Recommended Solution.

Deputy Mayor Foster then read the motion. Committee had no comments. It was then;

MOVED BY N. BIFOLCHI

SECONDED BY M. BERCOVITCH

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-09-11

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby receive the Sunnidale Trails Secondary Plan Water Booster Station Class Environmental Assessment – Notice of Recommended Solution, for information.

CARRIED

k) River Resources Committee – Minutes of Meeting October 28, 2013.

Deputy Mayor Foster then read the motion. He questioned the increase and decrease readings provided for 3rd Street and Nancy Island, dated June 27, 2011. Councillor Wells stated that Mr. Dali, a Member of the River Resources Committee provides this information. Mr. Lalonde stated he would follow up on this inquiry.

Councillor Wells then spoke to recommendations that came from the River Resources Committee meeting. He stated the slide presentation attached to the River Resources Committee Report was prepared by Mr. Jason Ruttan, and it was recommended by River Resources Committee that he attend a Committee of the Whole meeting to present to all Members of Council the information he has gathered on the river depths and his findings on the emerging trends occurring. Councillor Wells stated River Resources Committee recommended that a public education program be addressed on the negative effects of the dumping of chemicals, yard waste or other foreign material into the Nottawasaga River be undertaken by the Town and that the Town investigate establishing a By-law prohibiting the same. Councillor Wells suggested putting notices out with the tax bills outlining the risks and the impact. It was then;

MOVED BY S. WELLS

SECONDED BY M. BERCOVITCH

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-09-12

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby receive the River Resources Committee Report of October 28, 2013, as circulated.

CARRIED

l) 2014 ROMA/OGRA Combined Conference Attendance (February 23-26, 2014).

Deputy Mayor Foster then read the motion. The following Council and Staff members expressed interest in attending the Conference; Councillor Bifulchi, Councillor Wells, CAO and Mr. Lalonde. It was mentioned that Councillor Watson also attends. It was then;

MOVED BY S. WELLS

SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-09-13

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby authorize the attendance of the following Staff and Council members to the 2014 ROMA/OGRA Combined Conference, February 23-26, 2014, as well as registration and associated costs.

Stan Wells

Kevin Lalonde

Nina Bifulchi

George Vadeboncoeur

George Watson

CARRIED

Mr. Lalonde then asked Committee to notify Sherryl Chapman as to their accommodation requirements for the Conference.

m) Public Works Accounts - September 2013.

Councillor Bifulchi then left the table. Deputy Mayor Foster then read the motion. Committee had no comments. It was then;

MOVED BY M. BERCOVITCH
SECONDED BY S. WELLS

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-09-14

RESOLVED THAT the September 2013 Accounts, as reviewed by the Public Works Committee, are hereby confirmed.

CARRIED

Councillor Bifulchi then returned to the table.

6. OTHER AGENCY REPORTS**Transit****a) Transfer of Responsibility for Transit Service.**

Deputy Mayor Foster then read the motion. Committee had no comments. It was then;

MOVED BY M. BERCOVITCH
SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-09-15

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby recommend to Council that it receive for information the Chief Administrative Officer's report pertaining to the transfer of responsibility for the Transit Service to the Director of Public Works effective November 8, 2013.

CARRIED

b) Transit Service – Extension Down Ramblewood Drive.

Deputy Mayor Foster then read the motion. Councillor Bercovitch expressed concern with the bus service going down Lyons Court and the service not being utilized in this area. He asked if there was any way the bus could turn around in the Subdivision off Ramblewood Drive. Deputy Mayor Foster then asked Mr. Doug Harrison from Georgian Coach Lines if he could speak to this request. Mr. Harrison stated they could consider turning on Green Pine Crescent, but he did indicate there are a few houses on Lyons Court, and the main reason is that the Collingwood LINK bus connects in this area as well. Discussion then ensued with the extension of this service to this area and whether it was found to be not warranted, if the service could be altered to go down 58th Street South instead. Mr. Lalonde stated the route terminates at 71st Street. Following discussion, Committee suggested in terms of efficiency, monitoring of the service should be conducted to determine whether or not it is feasible and functional. Mr. Harrison pointed out that with the extension along Ramblewood Drive, it is going past a major school and it is the extension of an existing route.

It was then;

MOVED BY S. WELLS
SECONDED BY M. BERCOVITCH

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-09-16

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby recommend to Council that it approve the extension of Route 1 of the Wasaga Beach Transit Service down Ramblewood Drive to Lyons Gate, turning around at Mosley Street.

CARRIED

c) Transit Service – Procedure for Picking Up and Dropping Off Passengers.

Deputy Mayor Foster then read the motion. Deputy Mayor Foster indicated it is a very comprehensive Report. Councillor Wells expressed concern with the virtual bus stops and questioned the rationale as to why a post and sign could not be placed on the opposite side of the road. He pointed out that for safety purposes he feels signage should be there. Mr. Lalonde stated the CAO and himself recently discussed this concern and from a safety standpoint, they will be looking into this further. He stated this information has been advertised and a public notice has been placed on the website. The CAO stated from a public awareness standpoint, it is confusing for transit riders. He indicated it is used in other jurisdictions and normally on the one sign; there is a tab that indicates there is a stop on the opposite side of the road.

Discussion then ensued with respect to the transit buses stopping to pick up individuals with disabilities at locations other than designated bus stops. Councillor Bercovitch then questioned if the bus will continue to do this? Mr. Harrison indicated there are very few wheel chair passengers that ride the bus and if there are, they normally go to the bus stop locations. Mr. Harrison indicated that as an Operator, he does not like stopping anywhere but at a bus stop for liability reasons. Mr. Lalonde stated we have been accommodating in this respect and must be mindful of the Accessibility of Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA). The CAO stated we have accommodated where feasible at a customer service perspective. Councillor Bifulchi stated she does not agree with making these types of stops and feels we should be following the Procedures as outlined. Councillor Wells agreed. Following further discussion, Committee asked that Mr. Lalonde speak with the Clerk regarding the (AODA) requirements and investigate the liability options and come back to Committee with a Policy on this. It was then;

MOVED BY M. BERCOVITCH
SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-09-17

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby receive the Transit Operator's Procedure for Picking up and dropping off passengers, for information.

CARRIED

d) Transit – Wasaga Link Expanded Service.

Deputy Mayor Foster then read the motion. Committee had no comments. It was then;

MOVED BY S. WELLS

SECONDED BY M. BERCOVITCH

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-09-18

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby recommend to Council that it approve the expanded Collingwood/Wasaga LINK service over a six (6) month trial period commencing November 11, 2013;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approves the six (6) month trial service at a cost of \$9,500.00 for the Town of Wasaga Beach portion of the service per the current Collingwood-Wasaga Beach LINK Agreement, with \$3,167.00 coming from the 2013 Budget and the balance being budgeted in 2014;

AND FURTHER THAT Council authorizes staff and the Mayor to execute an amending Agreement with the Town of Collingwood, who act as the “host” municipality for the LINK operations, to accommodate the expanded hours of operation during the trial period and to meet the requirements for the Provincial Gas Tax Grant.

CARRIED

e) Wasaga Beach Transit Report – September 2013 and Monthly Ridership Statistics.

Deputy Mayor Foster then read the motion. Committee had no comments. It was then;

MOVED BY S. WELLS

SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-09-19

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby receive the Wasaga Beach Transit Reports for September 2013, for information.

CARRIED

f) Wasaga Beach-Collingwood Link Ridership – September 2013 Statistics.

Deputy Mayor Foster then read the motion. Committee had no comments. It was then;

MOVED BY N. BIFOLCHI

SECONDED BY S. WELLS

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-09-20

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby receive the Wasaga Beach-Collingwood Link Ridership Statistics for September 2013, for information.

CARRIED

Deputy Mayor Foster then referred back to item 5 k) regarding a recommendation from the River Resources Committee. He then read the motion that was prepared. Committee had no comments.

It was then;

MOVED BY S. WELLS

SECONDED BY M. BERCOVITCH

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-09-21

RESOLVED THAT pursuant to a recommendation from the River Resources Committee, the Public Works Committee recommends to Council that it request staff to develop a public education program related to the dumping of foreign material in the Nottawasaga River;

FURTHER THAT Council request staff to investigate the Town's authority to create and enforce a by-law that prohibits the dumping of foreign material in the Nottawasaga River.

CARRIED

Mr. Lalonde advised Committee that the Third Annual Public Works Safety & Truck Rodeo is scheduled for tomorrow, and everyone is welcome to attend the event. He stated a lunch will be provided. In preparation for the winter season, he noted they will be going over safety and training obstacles which will be set up for this event.

Mr. Lalonde then informed Committee that the Public Works Department will be going to a morning and afternoon shift for winter operations, effective December 1st, 2013. He stated there was an opportunity for exploring and improving on times when equipment is deployed. He stated there were challenges with having the morning shifts starting at 7:00 a.m., as they were finding that the majority of the peak morning traffic had already come through town, before the typical start time of 7:00 a.m. Therefore, they have established a morning shift from 5:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., which allows staff to be out on the roads earlier and prior to peak traffic volumes. He feels this will be very effective. He indicated the afternoon shift will be from 2:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. and this time shift will also be effective, as they had challenges in the past with equipment noise and had limitations when it came to hauling snow, etc. Mr. Lalonde stated this is just one of the improvements they have considered; he noted they are looking at others such as introducing the pre-treated salt application on arterial roads. Councillor Bercovitch stated this is a great idea. Deputy Mayor Foster then inquired if By-law will be starting on their winter parking policy? The CAO stated the By-law Department is responsible for enforcing the By-law and they normally advertise the Policy in the local newspaper prior to enforcement, advising the residents of this. Committee concurred.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday, December 5, 2013 at 8:30 a.m. in the Classroom.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Foster adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m.