



PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

REPORT

Held Thursday, October 2, 2014 at 8:30 a.m.
In the Classroom, Town Hall

PRESENT:	C. Patterson	Mayor
	D. Foster	Deputy Mayor/Chair
	M. Bercovitch	Councillor
	N. Bifulchi	Councillor
	G. Vadeboncoeur	Chief Administrative Officer/Deputy Clerk
	K. Lalonde	Director of Public Works
	M. Pincivero	Manager of Engineering Services
	S. Chapman	Recording Secretary
ABSENT:	S. Wells	Councillor

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 advised Committee that if they have a disclosure of pecuniary interest during the meeting, they can come forward at that time.

3. DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a) Summary Report related to the current Infrastructure Inventory – *PW–March 6, 2014.*

Mr. Lalonde advised Committee that Councillor Wells had requested a summary report outlining the Town's current infrastructure inventory, identifying the total road length, storm sewer, sanitary sewer and watermain lengths. He noted the summary of the Town's current infrastructure inventory was gathered from the Town's Geographic Information System (GIS) Data. Discussion ensued. It was then;

MOVED BY M. BERCOVITCH
SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-08-01

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby receive the Infrastructure Inventory Summary, for information.

CARRIED

b) Paved Shoulders - Summary Report outlining the updates to Provincial Guidelines, together with recommendations related to the delineation of existing paved shoulders throughout Town – *PW–March 6, 2014.*

Mr. Pincivero spoke to the summary report outlining the updates to Provincial Guidelines. He stated the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) finalized the Ontario Traffic Manual Book 18 – Cycling Facilities). He mentioned that after reviewing the existing engineering standards and by-laws based on the new Ontario Traffic Manual (OTM) Book 18-Cycling Facilities he highlighted options to consider. He stated with respect to paved shoulders, if the roadway with a paved shoulder is on a designated bicycle route, the roadway should be signed with the green bicycle route marker and that paved shoulders should have a minimum width of 1.2 metres and a desirable width of 1.5 metres. Discussion then ensued with respect to how often sweeping maintenance is conducted along the paved shoulders. It was then;

MOVED BY N. BIFOLCHI

SECONDED BY M. BERCOVITCH

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-08-02

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby receive the Ontario Traffic Manual Book 18 (Cycling Facilities) Summary Memo from the Ainley Group dated September 23, 2014, for information.

CARRIED

c) Results from the traffic counters placed at Wedgewood Drive and Martyn Drive re: warrant of a stop sign at this intersection – *PW–July 24, 2014.*

Mr. Lalonde stated in response to the July 24th, 2014 Public Works Committee meeting, Committee requested traffic counters be placed at the intersection of Wedgewood Drive and Martyn Drive to determine if this intersection warrants all-way stop control. He informed Committee that the results from this traffic study indicates that this intersection does not warrant a stop sign through provincial guidelines. He expressed concern with the data gathered on the rate of speed the vehicles are travelling in this particular area. He stated this information has been provided to the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP), so they can monitor speed control for this area. He pointed out the data outlines the speed of the vehicles, time of day, etc.

Deputy Mayor Foster stated it is his understanding that in most cases, placing a stop sign does not necessarily help with speed control. Mr. Lalonde agreed. Deputy Mayor Foster then asked if a follow up can be obtained from the (OPP), as there are children in this area and it is a school route. Mr. Lalonde stated he will request a follow up from the (OPP) in how they addressed this concern. Mayor Patterson thanked Mr. Lalonde for conducting the traffic count and addressing the residents' concerns.

It was then;

MOVED BY M. BERCOVITCH
SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-08-03

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby receive the results from the traffic counters placed on Wedgewood Drive during the period of September 3rd to September 16th, for information;

AND FURTHER THAT the results indicate that all-way stop control is not warranted at the intersection of Wedgewood Drive and Martyn Drive;

AND FURTHER THAT the results be provided to the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) for consideration of increased monitoring and speed control enforcement.

CARRIED

5. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Public Works

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

Mr. Pincivero advised Committee that he has no other information to add to his report. Committee had no comments. It was then;

MOVED BY N. BIFOLCHI
SECONDED BY M. BERCOVITCH

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-08-04

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby receive the September 23, 2014 Engineer's Status Report on Capital Works Projects, for information.

CARRIED

b) Nottawasaga River Class Environmental Assessment – Open House Summary Report.

Mr. Lalonde informed Committee that the report was previously circulated. He stated the 30 day comment period is finalized and very few comments were received. Mr. Lalonde pointed out that the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport may require a marine archaeological survey. He stated the consultants are working with them to confirm the scope of the survey and whether or not a full survey is required. He then identified the three key areas.

Mr. Lalonde stated the recent meeting held with the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) through teleconference was very productive. He indicated there is more work that needs to be done on our end and is hopeful the Environmental Study Report (ESR) is filed and interim solution and environmental issues are satisfied. He further mentioned that First Nation and Aboriginal Groups are part of the consultation throughout the Class EA process.

Mayor Patterson advised Committee that the CAO, MPP Jim Wilson, and himself will be meeting with the Ministry of Natural Resources on October 21st, if there are any comments they would like to address at this meeting.

Mr. Pincivero then spoke to the three key locations that were identified and the approach that was taken using a bathymetric survey, to show the contour of the river bed and providing water elevations. It was then;

MOVED BY M. BERCOVITCH
SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-08-05

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby receive the Open House Summary Report for the Nottawasaga River Class Environmental Assessment, for information.

CARRIED

c) Public Works Accounts – August 2014.

Committee had no comments, it was then;

MOVED BY N. BIFOLCHI
SECONDED BY M. BERCOVITCH

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-08-06

RESOLVED THAT the August 2014 Accounts, as reviewed by the Public Works Committee, are hereby confirmed.

CARRIED

6. OTHER AGENCY REPORTS

Transit

a) Wasaga Beach Transit Report – August 2014 and Monthly Ridership Statistics.

Deputy Mayor Foster read the motion. Mr. Lalonde introduced Mr. Shane McLaughlin, Branch Manager with Sinton-Landmark Transportation. Mr. Lalonde mentioned that with the recent transition in changeover to the new transit provider, it has been very successful with good feedback. He noted that Sinton Landmark had a great transition and implementation plan in place and was very well executed. Mr. Lalonde further advised Committee that from the last Public Works Committee meeting, it was suggested that Mr. McLaughlin attend the meeting as this would be their first reporting period. He indicated the statistics provided in the reports will be very helpful with route planning, define placement of transit shelters and identify peak times the system is utilized. Mr. McLaughlin thanked Mayor Patterson, Mr. Lalonde, Mr. Reu and Mrs. Quinlan for all their help in working with them through the transition. He pointed out that 70% of the Sinton Transportation school bus staff, work in Wasaga Beach. He then reported that all drivers have received the AODA, First Aid/CPR training. He mentioned all the vehicles are in good standing and every 8000 kilometres they will be brought in to do preventative maintenance. Councillor Bercovitch expressed how comprehensive the reporting was and that it will be useful for planning. He asked if the ridership statistics could be provided in one report to outline a whole year at a glance.

Mr. Lalonde stated he will make sure this is included for future reporting. Councillor Bifulchi pointed out she likes the way the reporting is presented. Mayor Patterson agreed it is valuable information. Discussion then ensued with respect to the hiring of the bus driver positions. Following discussion, Mr. McLaughlin was then thanked by Committee. It was then;

MOVED BY M. BERCOVITCH
SECONDED BY N. BIFOLCHI

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-08-07

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby receive the Wasaga Beach Transit Report for August 2014, for information.

CARRIED

b) Wasaga Beach-Collingwood Link Ridership – August 2014 Statistics.

Deputy Mayor Foster read the motion. The CAO inquired how the synchronization of the transit system is working between the Wasaga Beach and the Connecting Link Transit Service. Mr. McLaughlin expressed that the service has improved, as there are radios equipped in the buses, which allows the drivers to communicate with each other. The CAO then inquired about the integrated system with Blue Mountain Village transit service and the timing it takes to get from Wasaga Beach to Blue Mountain. Mr. McLaughlin then spoke to one wheel chair passenger that was in contact with him, complimenting on both the Town of Collingwood and the Town of Wasaga Beach Transit Service, as it has opened up a whole new world for this person being able to get around. Deputy Mayor Foster stated that is great news. Committee agreed. Councillor Bercovitch advised Mr. McLaughlin that he is a member of the Accessibility Committee and asked if he could forward him an email on this compliment received by the passenger. Mr. McLaughlin stated he would forward the information. It was then;

MOVED BY N. BIFOLCHI
SECONDED BY M. BERCOVITCH

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-08-08

RESOLVED THAT the Public Works Committee does hereby receive the Wasaga Beach-Collingwood Link Ridership Statistics for August 2014, for information.

CARRIED

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday, November 6, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. in the Classroom.

Mr. Lalonde acknowledged Dave Hatherley, Water and Sewer Foreman who recently moved on to work in a Supervisor/Manager role with a small community of Haines Junction in the Yukon, west of Whitehorse. He stated Mr. Hatherley was a great asset for the Town of Wasaga Beach and will be missed. He helped accomplished the finalizing of the water metering program, accreditation of the Drinking Water Quality Management System (DWQMS). He stated prior to him working with the Town, he worked as an Inspector and was involved in 80% of the infrastructure that was put into the ground within Town.

Mr. Lalonde advised Committee that the Public Works Annual Safety Truck Rodeo is tentatively scheduled for Friday, October 17th, if anyone is interested in attending.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Foster adjourned the meeting at 9:01 a.m.