



THE TOWN OF
L U M S D E N

Group II Committee Meeting Minutes

September 7, 2017

Call to Order

The Group II Committee of the Lumsden Town Council convened their meeting in the Council Chambers of the Town Office on the morning of Thursday, September 7, 2017 at 10:06 a.m., with Chairperson Verne Barber presiding.

Present:

Chairperson: Councillor Verne Barber
Mayor: Bryan Matheson
Councillors: Rhonda Phillips
Acting Chief
Administrative Officer: Krystal Strong
Finance Officer: Sheena Carrick
Utilities Foreman: Dave Cherney
Public Works Foreman: Jeff Carey
Public Works Employee: Cory Danyliw (arrived at 10:15am; left at 10:30am)

Absent:

Councillor: Jane Cogger

Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Mayor Matheson

Seconded by: Councillor Phillips

"That we adopt the agenda as presented."

CARRIED

Reports of the Public Works Department

Utilities Report

Utilities Foreman, Dave Cherney provided a verbal report on utility matters as follows:

- Staff holiday schedule
- Water main flushing will take place the last week of September
- Municipal Utilities will be renovating Well #4 and installing a new pump in October.
- The filter at the wastewater treatment facility will be replaced in last two weeks in October, takes 1-2 weeks to complete
- Discussed requesting residents not to water in the last two weeks of October as there is currently a high water usage in the range of 1,000-1,400 m³/day; normal use is approximately 600 m³/day. Possibly include a notice with next water billing.
- In July of this year, 44,000m³ went through the plant. This is up 25-30% over 2016.
- Lift Station capital projects are currently on hold.
- Wastewater treatment facility pump purchases - we are trying to purchase new pumps without requiring much retrofitting.

Recycle Centre Update

Public Works Employee Cory Danyliw provided an update report regarding the Recycle Centre as follows:

- No changes are needed at this time, operating smoothly
- Just the right amount of reusable items are coming in and quickly leaving
- Keep current operating hours
- Less hours required at new facility than at the old depot
- New signs have been posted
- Attendants need to be informed to allow reuse items passed the gate and into the recycle centre
- Light bulb recycling and storage is a challenge; Public Works Foreman Jeff Carey will bring back information on storing these items which require special containers.

On the landfill side, garden waste pickup will be October 10-12 to coincide with garbage pick-up days.

Public Works Report

Public Works Foreman, Jeff Carey, provided a report on various Public Works matters as follows:

- The pavers are finishing up for the season and will be back again in the spring; they are doing a great job
- The sidewalks in front of the Legion and near the Fin Salon are scheduled for next week
- Mowing - JRA - waiting for new brush mower then will finish mowing the overgrowth within the dyke

Reports of Administration

Health Care in Lumsden

Acting Chief Administrative Officer, Krystal Strong provided a written report on available health care personnel and programs in Lumsden. Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region (RQHR) recommends that the Town of Lumsden establish a Health Care Committee to assess the needs of the community. The Committee suggested to wait until after the amalgamation of the health regions prior to forming any committees.

Unfinished Business

Schandre Estates - Discuss Core Samples Rosewood Drive and Solicitor comments

The Committee discussed resolution #2017-292 regarding the authorization of core sampling on Rosewood Drive, as follows:

- Moisture from adjacent yards are draining under the road.
- Associated Engineering's proposal for full repair of Rosewood Drive is estimated at \$2,500,000.00 - \$3,000,000.00.
- The Committee suggests we obtain quotes for the base, compaction and asphalt.
- The temporary lift station has yet to be addressed.
- Solicitor Comments
- EPEC allowed the paving to occur over clay, not proper base.

Rosewood Drive - Schandre Estates

Moved by: Mayor Matheson

Seconded by: Councillor Phillips

"That we recommend to council that a letter be sent to Schandre Estates Inc. regarding the existing deficiencies in the development, including the pavement on Rosewood Drive, the temporary lift station and the road to Qu'Appelle Drive West, and require that the deficiencies need to be corrected."

CARRIED

New Business

Review Landfill Tipping Fees

The Committee discussed the current landfill tipping fees and the possibility of operating the landfill as a utility, as follows:

- Operating the landfill as a utility deemed unnecessary
- Should there be a fee for handling wood and metal? The wood needs to be sorted better. Metal pays for itself. Painted wood and OSB should go to the rubbish pile.
- Public Works Foreman Jeff Carey recommends charging for bagged garbage. Will discuss this further in the future.
- The Committee requests that administration provide annual financial analysis for review.
- Discussed the purchase of a weigh scale in the next few years.

Public Works Staff Responding to Fire Department Call-Outs

The Committee discussed it's concerns with Public Works staff attending fire department call outs and leaving minimal staff to attend to Town business. Also discussed were the number of hours lost.

Fire Chief and Public Works Foreman Jeff Carey pointed out that it is a huge benefit to have Town staff able to respond to fires.

Recycle Bins near existing Garbage Bins

In various locations around Town, recycle bins are in close proximity to garbage bins, creating the problem that people are picking from the garbage bins.

Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Phillips

Seconded by: Mayor Matheson

"That we adjourn the meeting at 11:48 am."

CARRIED



Chairperson



Chief Administrative Officer