## TOWN OF LUMSDEN

#### MINUTES OF THE GROUP II COMMITTEE MEETING **HELD ON JANUARY 3, 2013**

The Group II Committee convened their monthly meeting in the Council Chambers in Lumsden, on the afternoon of Thursday, January 3, 2013 at 4:05 p.m. with Mayor Bryan Matheson presiding.

Present: Mayor:

Bryan Matheson

Councillors:

Randy Bogdan, Trevor Grohs

**Utilities Foreman:** 

**Dave Cherney** 

Public Works Foreman:

Jeff Carey

Absent: Chairperson:

Rhonda Phillips

#### Fees and Charges:

A. Jeff Carey reviewed the list of fees and charges for municipal equipment with the Committee. The rate review for equipment is based on the 2012 Saskatchewan Heavy Construction Association Rental Guide. We do not often have a call for this equipment but the need for rates is still important. Jeff provided a sheet with past rates and proposed rates for 2013.

B. Landfill Tipping fees were reviewed and changes made to reflect the changes in operations. Minor changes in fees for mixed loads and increases in Scrap Tire

disposal were noted.

Grohs/Bogdan: "That we recommend council approve the attached list of fees and charges for municipal equipment rates and Landfill Tipping Fees." CARRIED

#### Landfill:

Landfill policy needs to be discussed by council in the very near future. New policies set out by the Government regarding landfills need to be studied and what the effects of those changes on our particular situation will be. There are two main issues: 1) accommodating haulers from outside of our community with a dumping site and 2) moving the current Recycle center to the landfill site.

- i. We currently have Canada Waste dumping in our landfill. This refuge is picked up in other communities and we charge a fee (\$850.00 in 2013) per load. This is an income source for us but it comes with a price as it fills our current site. Discussion.
- ii. The Recycle Center should be moved and has been a discussion item with council for some 10 years or more. The challenge is financial costs to move the center. We need to address this issue with a workable plan. Discussion.

## Schandre Estates:

Mike Andre with Schandre Estates has requested the municipality to take over the road in Phase 2. The letter of substantial completion for pavement and curb for Phase II was issued on Nov. 25, 2011 with the one year maintenance period starting on Oct. 19, 2011. There were deficiencies identified in the letter that have now been rectified. The road appears to be in good condition.

<u>Letter of Final Performance – Schandre Phase II Pavement & Curb:</u>
Bogdan/Grohs: "That, in accordance with Section 12.2 of the Servicing Agreement and based on the recommendation of the Public Works Foreman, Jeff Carey, we recommend council approve the issuance of a Letter of Final Performance to Schandre Estates for the Phase II pavement and curb." **CARRIED** 

# Water and Sewer:

Dave Cherney presented a request from Norm Colhoun for a hook-up to our water line that crosses his proposed subdivision located in the SE 21-19-21-W2. We have met the criteria of our original easement agreement to cross the land with the water line that called for 1 service hook-up. We are not allowed by Water Security Agency regulations to supply raw water as per the request.

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#### Raw Waterline Connection Request - Colhoun:

Grohs/Bogdan: "That we authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to send a letter to Norm Colhoun indicating that the Town of Lumsden is unable to grant access to the raw waterline as he requested due to the regulations of the Water Security Agency; and That we indicate that should he wish to run a distribution line from the Water Treatment Plant at his expense, he could make that request from Town Council, as recommended by the Utilities Foreman, Dave Cherney."

Generator that was budgeted for in 2012 budget did not arrive prior to Dec 31. This will present a surplus in 2012 for this item and will need to be re-budgeted in 2013. The generator is approx. \$45,000.

Lift Station issues. We have had numerous problems with Lift Station #1 over the past 2 weeks. The pumps have developed air locks and they quit working. Staff have spent many overtime hours in order to maintain services to the town residents. Dave thinks we have a temporary fix but staff is continuing to work on this problem. Dave is requesting that we order 2 pumps for the lift station immediately.

#### **Lift Station Pumps - Purchase:**

Bogdan/Grohs: "That we recommend council authorize the purchase of 2 pumps for Lift Station No. 1 at an approximate cost of \$18,000.00." CARRIED

Dave presented the reports on Waterworks Quality Assurance/Quality Control Policy for the Town of Lumsden (Appendix A of Bylaw 1-2004) and the Town of Lumsden Waterworks Emergency Response Plan (Appendix C of Bylaw 1-2004).

# Bylaw 1-2004 Amendment – Quality Assurance, Quality Control Policy and Emergency Plan for Waterworks:

Grohs/Bogdan: "That we authorize Administration to prepare a bylaw to replace Appendix A of Bylaw 1-2004, being the Waterworks Quality Assurance/Quality Control Policy and Appendix C of Bylaw 1-2004, being the Town of Lumsden's Waterworks Emergency Response Plan."

CARRIED

Water Consumption Report will be presented to council at the next meeting. It was noted that our consumption is down from last year and Group 2 believes we should inform residents and compliment them on their efforts to conserve.

Question was raised on who is looking into the Speed Sign trailer? Balgonie has a Speed indicator attached to a post in a school zone. There was some discussion on this topic and we agree to ask administration to investigate.

#### Adjournment:

Grohs/Bogdan: "That we adjourn this meeting at 5:08 p.m.

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