

TOWN OF LUMSDEN
MINUTES OF THE GROUP II COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON MARCH 6, 2013

The Group II Committee convened their meeting in the Municipal Office in Lumsden, on the evening of Wednesday, March 6, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. with Chairperson Rhonda Phillips presiding.

Present:	Chairperson:	Rhonda Phillips
	Mayor:	Bryan Matheson
	Councillor:	Trevor Grohs, Randy Bogdan
	Utilities Foreman:	Dave Cherney
	Public Works Foreman:	Jeff Carey
	Chief Administrative Officer:	Darcie Cooper (left at 9:15 p.m.)
	Asst. Administrator:	Krystal Strong

The committee reviewed the Group II departmental operating budget for 2013 and the five year capital plan as revised by the Department Managers.

Capital Budget Discussion:

- Additional items to the capital plan for the water and sewer department were as follows:
 - a turbidity meter and calibration unit was added due to requirements of our new environmental protection officer - \$8,500 installed
 - 2 lift station pumps already approved by council - \$14,913
 - Twin lines between James Bay and Canning Road - \$80,000 – Dave still needs to talk to Tom Williams with Associated Engineering as to whether or not this is required at this time.
- The generator that was budgeted for last year and not purchased until January of this year is re-budgeted for
- Additional items to the capital plan for the transportation department are as follows:
 - Snow blower attachment - \$9,500
 - Snow wing attachment - \$9,500
 - Replacement of Unity 80 Flat deck truck – 2015 year - \$70,000

Operational Budget Discussion:

- Discussed the necessity of having monthly Group meetings and the possibility of changing them to quarterly meetings – Council expense cost per meeting is \$600.00
- Dust control was discussed. Jeff felt that the budget could either be decreased for dust control due to the local improvement project on James St. S. or reallocated to other streets. Committee to discuss and decide the course of action
- Discussed the creation of a digital cemetery and water/sewer map. Administration will investigate the costs of a digital cemetery map and check into the Asset Nav Asset Management program, as the water and sewer lines are mapped out on there.
- The railway signal maintenance was discussed and some committee members wondered about the need for them and wondered if Last Mountain Railway could just remove them.

Group II Committee Departmental Reports:

Water and Sewer:

- No issues to report

Transportation:

- There will be some recommendations from the Saskatchewan Municipal Board coming forward at the next council meeting regarding the James Street South Local Improvement Project (LIP)
- The financing of the Local Improvement project will need to be discussed at the next council meeting. There was 1 mill rate that was to be allocated to the

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project from last years' tax levy which will come from reserves. The majority of the project will need to be financed by debt. Debentures are available through the Municipal Financing Corporation and are typically better rates than through the bank. Revenue from the sale of the lots by the school are also to go towards this project, however the expenses incurred for the project should be repaid first.

- Roads are currently in good condition and snow clearing is complete

Recycling/Landfill:

- No issues to report

Data Logging Speed Signs:

- Krystal is awaiting quotes for a few models of data logging speed signs. The signs will be portable, solar powered and able to perform traffic counts and record data

Ken Louvel – Concerns regarding Simaron Place:

- Two letters have been received from Ken Louvel expressing various concerns surrounding Simaron Place in the Hildebrandt/Simcoe Development.
- Mr. Louvel expressed concerns regarding the erosion of James Street South due to excavation taking place in the development. Public works has no concerns with erosion at this time. The development is tiered and there is not much snow in that location.
- Mr. Louvel expressed concerns regarding the piling of snow at the end of Simaron Place. Public works is aware of the amount of snow in the area and feels there is not enough to warrant concern.
- Mr. Louvel expressed concerns regarding swimming pool drainage and a disagreement with the Town's swimming pool bylaw and guidelines for drainage. The committee agreed that the guidelines in the Town's bylaw are appropriate.

Meetings:

- The committee discussed reducing their monthly meetings to quarterly meetings and/or a reorganization of the Group I, Group II, and other committees. This will be discussed further at the next council meetings.

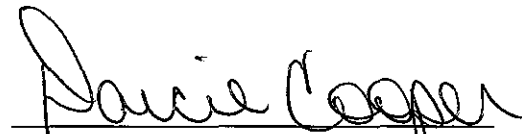
Wastewater Treatment Committee Update:

- Some members of the committee visited the Town of Shellbrook yesterday and were able to speak to the Utilities Foreman in person, visit the new lagoon site and ask questions. A full update will be provided at the next council meeting.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.


Chairman


Chief Administrative Officer