

**TOWN OF LUMSDEN**  
**MINUTES OF THE GROUP II COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**HELD ON SEPTEMBER 3, 2013**

The Group II Committee convened their meeting in the Municipal Office in Lumsden, on the afternoon of Thursday, September 3, 2013 at 3:45 p.m. with Chairperson Rhonda Phillips presiding.

<b>Present:</b> Chairperson:	Rhonda Phillips
Mayor:	Bryan Matheson
Councillor:	Trevor Grohs, Randy Bogdan
Utilities Foreman:	Dave Cherney
Public Works Foreman:	Jeff Carey
Asst. Administrator:	Krystal Strong

**Transportation:**

**James Street South Paving-Storm Sewer Project:**

- Water and sewer line installation is complete
- Storm sewer installation is underway
- BLS Asphalt will begin paving this week, they are starting with a project they have in Simaron Place then will move on to James St. S.

**Line Painting:**

- The line painting machine pump is broken
- It is difficult to find replacement parts, but more difficult to find contractors to paint due to the extremely low quality of paint available in Saskatchewan
- Replacement of the entire machine would be approx. \$4,000
- As a result of the breakdown, there will be no line painting this year
- The committee recommends that the public works department undertake line painting in the spring and make it a priority, at least the crosswalks and places of safety importance
- Jeff will look into the tape-style paint and report back to the committee

**Data Logging Speed Sign:**

- The sign has arrived
- The James Street Bridge and Qu'Appelle Drive West will take priority, followed by James Street South, Qu'Appelle Drive East, Rosewood Drive, school zones, and the Cottonwood Condo area (complaint received)
- The committee suggested the installation of permanent posts in problem areas

**Qu'Appelle Drive East – Water Issues:**

- The public works department has been monitoring the water situation behind properties along 100 block of Qu'Appelle Drive East. The water located at the back of 145 Qu'Appelle Drive East known as "Harts slough" has nearly dried up

**Ross St. & Lake St. – Water issues:**

- Dirt is being brought in by a resident and sloped so the drainage will occur from the north to the south and go into the existing storm sewer
- The berm is still in place
- Concerns raised by Anysley Calder's regarding her property at 355 Ross St. have been addressed
- All work taking place is on private property

**Street Sweeping:**

- Street sweeping began last week
- Next year the street sweeper will need to be replaced, as the current unit is 40 years old
- A new sweeper will cost approx. \$95,000, staff may attempt to sell the old one

**Sidewalks:**

- Future new sidewalk plans should coincide with a road paving plan
- Financial Officer, Sheena Carrick, Randy, Jeff will discuss and have an infrastructure replacement plan and new infrastructure plan ready for 2014

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**Environment:**

**Recycling/Landfill:**

- No major issues at this point
- Rhonda visited the Oak Bay, Victoria BC recycling Centre and was quite impressed
- Rhonda suggested a wood chipper could be used at the landfill and residents would have access to free wood chips
- The 5 year capital plan includes the proposal to move the recycling depot to the landfill in 2016
- Grants are available under GMF to move the depot, Sheena will look into it
- Bryan and Trevor will meet with Jack Shaw or a representative from Crown Shred to discuss how the move may affect our contract
- Bryan and Trevor will also discuss the requirement for sorting with Crown Shred, as well as if recycled materials need to be compacted or if it would be acceptable to deposit material into a 'sea-can' type bin

**Water & Sewer:**

**Hydrants:**

- There is a leaking hydrant on Kelly Avenue that is beyond repair. 2 hydrants will be replaced on Kelly Avenue

**Water Treatment Plant:**

- The WTP is operating well
- May have to replace a drive on a filter pump, cost is approx. \$1,000
- The Town is using less water than last year
- Members questioned if we are charging users enough for water to ensure we are able to maintain the plant. Members would like Sheena, Financial Officer, to look at our bylaw and determine if it is adequate
- The WTP will be paid off this November, then funds will be put in the Capital Reserve Fund
- The WTP is only running at 1/3 of its capacity
- In the next 5 years the Town needs to be looking for another water source, as Well #4 is near the end of its useful life
- There are 616 water meters installed within the Town of Lumsden and 80 installed in the Deer Valley Unorganized Hamlet

**Future Water Use:**

- The Town will need to apply for permission from the Water Security Agency to take more water from the aquifer to service new development and developer requests in the RM

**Lagoon:**

- The lagoon is full and will have to be pumped out in the next few weeks due to heavy rain over the summer
- 2 new aeration motors have been delivered, they will be installed in the next few weeks, 2 are operating now, all 4 will be operational before winter
- The Environmental Protection Officer (EPO) completed an inspection of the lagoon and water treatment plant, he had no concerns

**Canyon Creek Estates:**

- The lift station and town water lines were commissioned and are operating

**General Discussion:**

**Town Maps:**

- The committee would like to see maps of the water and sewer system, as well as roads and parcels
- Associated Engineering may already have this information, as they prepared the Town's Tangible Capital Assets report in 2009

**Apparel:**


- Further discussion will take place with staff in the fall to evaluate the allotment of staff apparel

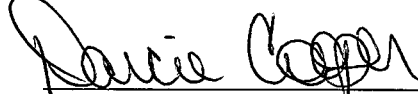
**Summer Staff:**

- There is some concern regarding the wage structure for summer staff, this will be reviewed further at budget time
- It is important to budget for summer staff without taking into account any possible grants, in the event that we don't qualify, like this year
- This year we had 3 summer students

**Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

  
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Chairperson

  
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Chief Administrative Officer