

TOWN OF LUMSDEN
MINUTES OF THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON OCTOBER 2, 2012

The Wastewater Treatment Committee convened their meeting in the Council Chambers in Lumsden, on Tuesday October 2, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. with Chairperson Rhonda Phillips presiding.

Present:	Chairperson:	Rhonda Phillips
	Mayor:	Bryan Matheson
	Councillor:	Al Sulma
	Chief Admin. Officer:	Byron Tumbach
Absent:	Councillor	Doug Mader

Chairperson Rhonda Phillips provided the agenda for the meeting being as follows;

1. Financial picture for the sewage utility now and in the next year.
2. Cost analysis for sending sewage down a pipeline to Regina. Comparison to page 11-1 of the *Preliminary Design Report*.
3. Discussion of all the possible scenarios with Regina as the regional solution.
4. RM as a regional partner. Appendix A, Technical Memorandum Population Projections of the *Concept Report* on page 3 Table 2-4 calculates development in the Rural Municipality of Lumsden that is close to Lumsden into the population projections used as part of the design criteria.
5. The next steps to be taken and who will lead each step.
6. The make-up of the committee after the municipal election.

In addition Chair Phillips provided a copy of a letter to the Ministry of Environment to update the Ministry on the Town's progress on the project to put forward new plant and equipment. This report is required as per the permit to operate. The Committee reviewed the letter and agreed that it should be forwarded on to Dennis Perras, Environmental Project Officer.

1. Financial picture for the sewage utility now and in the next year.

CAO provided the Committee a report on the status of the utility reserve and a forecast of where it would be by the end of 2013. Based on the estimate the reserve would be approximately \$519,000 by the end of 2013. He also indicated that the reserve was not to be confused with cash reserves as there would be a considerable amount of financial assets tied to receivables and other related assets that makes up the entire reserves.

2. Cost analysis for sending sewage down a pipeline to Regina.

In the same report broad estimations were provided on the cost of a pipeline to Regina and what the cost may be charged by the City to process Lumsden sewage. The distance to the Regina plant from the Town's sewage main collector area was is approximately 22 kilometers. Administration used the estimate of \$200,000 per kilometer with \$7.5 million in lift stations to put forward a cost of \$11,900,000. An approximation on operating cost was put forward of \$50,000 per annum, however it was stressed that there was no background on these figures to validate the estimate. The cubic cost of sewage charged by the City of Regina was put forward as referenced in their current utility rate bylaws. Administration did not use a surcharge factor in the estimation.

3. Discussion of all the possible scenarios with Regina as the regional solution

The group discussed various pipeline arrangements and agreed to research two possible scenarios;

- a) The City of Regina construct and operate the pipeline
- b) The Town of Lumsden construct and operate the infrastructure.

4. RM to be approached to be a regional partner as it relates to septage

The group agreed to raise the topic at the next Joint Administration meeting.

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5. Next Steps to take

The Committee agreed to focus their attention on two key areas

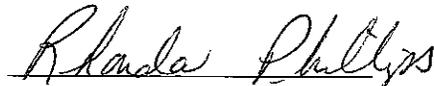
- a) Engage the City of Regina to provide the Town with an estimate cost per cubic metre or range on accepting the Lumsden sewage for year 2014.
- b) Contact Associated Engineering and AECOM to provide a quote on developing a preliminary cost estimate of constructing a sewage line from Lumsden to Regina's Waste Water Treatment Plant, complete with a forecast on annual operating costs.

6. The make-up of the committee after the municipal election.

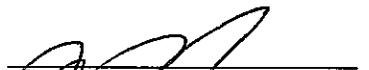
As there is a municipal election in October the Committee discussed the possibility of past councillor members being involved in the Committee. Administration will provide a memo to the new Council on enacting this request.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.



Chairperson



Chief Administrative Officer