

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

The Group II Committee convened their meeting in the Municipal Office in Lumsden, on the afternoon of Thursday, June 6, 2013 at 3:45 p.m. with Chairperson Rhonda Phillips presiding.

Present:	Chairperson:	Rhonda Phillips
	Mayor:	Bryan Matheson
	Councillor:	Trevor Grohs, Randy Bogdan
	Utilities Foreman:	Dave Cherney
	Asst. Administrator:	Krystal Strong

Transportation:

James Street South - Local Improvement Project:

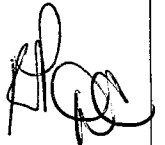
- Notice of intention has been sent to the property owners and they have until June 24th to petition against the project
- Discussed the validity of the petition on joint ownership of property, should one property owner sign a petition without the signature of the other owner of the property
- Owner share is estimated to be \$10,470 with the option of 10 annual payments of \$1,379.06
- Randy and Trevor will begin visiting affected landowners to discuss the project and ensure owners understand the project and answer any questions they may have
- Dust control was postponed due to predicted rain, it has been re-scheduled to June 11th
- Dust control costs approx. \$10,000 per year for James Street South, not including the cost to add gravel, water, run the grader and an operator. It was noted that this road requires more maintenance than any other road in the municipality
- The paving project is a response to resident's concerns of health and safety issues of the dirt road

Streets, Curbs and Gutters:

- Many streets in the municipality have pavement failures, including 7th Avenue, 6th Avenue, James Street North and 3rd Avenue near the rink
- The committee suggested that the town should require urban cross sections, curb, gutter and sidewalk for new development and future infrastructure replacements
- A plan needs be put in place to start replacing infrastructure
- Local Improvement Projects are likely going to increase to accommodate infrastructure replacement
- Randy to consult with Jeff and bring a proposed infrastructure replacement plan to the next Group II meeting

Qu'Appelle Drive East – Water Issues:

- The municipality recognizes that there are water issues in the 100 block of Qu'Appelle Drive East
- The Town has given permission for those residents to pump water across the road into the municipal ditch
- Dave and Jeff have spoken to residents, it was suggested that they could dig a well and set up irrigation
- As the issue is on private property, it is a property owner issue. The municipality paid for a leak detection company to come in and test for leaks in the water line in the fall of 2012 to determine if there was a waterline break causing the excess moisture. There were no leaks detected.
- Area residents have requested a copy of the report, which is public record and will be supplied to them
- It should be noted that there was a leak in 2005, which was also repaired the same year
- The area of concern is commonly referred to as "Hart's Slough", a significant



amount of water used to flow through the area, however in the early 1980's a drought caused the area to dry up. As a result of the drought, landowners began to place fill and landscape the area which in turn blocked the natural drainage of the area.

Aynsley Calder – Request for Service:

- An email request was sent by Aynsley Calder of 355 Ross Street regarding the maintenance of the ravine area to the rear of her lots that is town property
- Ms. Calder is requesting in-filling the area to reduce wildlife and bug concerns
- The Public Works Department has been directed to visit the site and will bring forward their comments and recommendations.

Environment:

Recycling/Landfill:

- Increased amount of time is being spent on recycling
- Gord Bonokoski has voluntarily replaced outdated recycling signs for better efficiency
- Trevor will speak to Jeff and Cory regarding the long term plan for the recycle depot, including the possibility of Sort-Yourself bins, composting and moving the recycling to the landfill

Water & Sewer:

Lagoon:

- 2 aerators are still broken down. 2 more motors are being purchased at a cost of approx. \$5,000.00
- Levels are low, leaving room for a significant amount of capacity
- There is still some odor due to the ice only being off the lagoon for approx. 3 ½ weeks.
- It is extremely difficult to obtain the Sodium Nitrate required to jump-start the lagoon into an aerobic state, due to potential use of the chemical for bomb making.

Wastewater Treatment Facility:

- The GMF loan application has passed the peer review stage
- Questions and comments were sent from reviewers, including a question about the feasibility study that was completed in 2004 and whether it was relevant to our current plan, which it is not
- The next step is the executive committee ranking

Schandre Estates Development – Sewage Disposal:

- The current temporary lift station in Schandre Estates was discussed
- Before future phases of Schandre Estates can be developed, the temporary lift station needs to be made permanent by running a sewage line down to the Qu'Appelle Drive main line

Summer Staff:


- 2 university students were hired, however, 1 has since quit during the first week
- 1 additional student will start Monday
- 3 high school students will start when school is complete

Apparel:

- Providing shirts for summer and full time staff was discussed
- Light colours were recommended to repel bugs and reduce heat
- Dave will ask for staff input and report back

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.


Chairman


Chief Administrative Officer