

## **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES**

February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Virtual – Zoom

**PRESENT:** Antoine Boucher, Marius Robidas, Steven Trahan, Terry Kelly, and Kari Hanselman

- 1. Agenda Agenda approved as prepared with the addition of Draft 2021 Capital Budget
- 2. Minutes of previous meeting, January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 (Circulated on Council agenda of January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021) Minutes approved
- 3. Declarations of Conflict of Interest None for this meeting
- 4. Correspondence and Information Items:
  - a) Temporary Deer Crossing sign at 184 South Shore Road The Committee discussed the herd of deer that frequent the area. Mr. Boucher advised they will order a sign and figure out a way to get the sign up while the ground is frozen.
  - b) Bill back to Insurance Companies road damages

The Committee discussed the feasibility of billing insurance companies for municipal property damage caused by accidents. Mr. Boucher advised they do not currently have a system in place for claims like this. Deputy Mayor Trahan advised that the OPP may not provide the municipality with names. Mr. Boucher said sometimes the municipality does not know an accident and property damage has taken place until after the fact. Deputy Mayor Trahan will discuss with Mayor Rochefort for the Police Services Board.

## c) Perron's property flooding - photos

Discussions were had regarding the build up and freezing of water at the end of Perron Crescent. Deputy Mayor Trahan will provide the civic address of the property the water is coming from to Mr. Boucher and Mr. Robidas. A letter of concern should be sent to the property owner so the problem can be addressed in the spring.

## d) Denise Beaupre and Tim Foster – Active Transportation

The Committee reviewed the letter received from Denise Beaupre and Tim Foster and its requests. The Committee agreed there is not a lot of money available to put into our roads. Discussions were had regarding the groups requests to widen the



shoulder on Lake Nosbonsing Road from Village Road to Groulx Road. Mr. Boucher stated it would be less expensive to complete while construction is taking place. Public Works has many necessary projects and they do not want to fall behind. This request will be brought to council through the budget.

Deputy Mayor Trahan advised that the request for wood chips being delivered to the road allowance is not feasible.

The Committee discussed the request for a median sign. Deputy Mayor Trahan stated this is more a traffic issue than roads issue. Mr. Boucher advised a sign like this would have to be removed and installed each winter season. The Committee will respond to the letter once further information is gathered.

## e) 2021 Capital Budget

Mr. Boucher shared with the Committee the draft 2021 Capital Budget. He advised that there are more roads that need to be done than funding will allow for. The items on this year's budget are priority.

- 5. Next meeting date March 24th, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.
- **6.** Adjournment adjourned at 11:40 a.m.