

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING March 9th, 2022 at 2:15 p.m. Virtual - ZOOM

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Trahan, Councillor Kelly, Director of Public Works, Antoine Boucher, Public Works Foreman Marius Robidas, CAO Jason Trottier, Clerk Monica Hawkins

- 1. Agenda Approved as prepared
- 2. Minutes of previous meeting, January 20th, 2022 (circulated on Council agenda and attached for committee)
 - Councillor Kelly requested confirmation that the \$7500 will be placed in the operating 2022 budget for variety of road signs. This was confirmed
 - Dugas Road will remain on the agenda until the matter has been completed
- 3. Declarations of Conflict of Interest None for this session
- **4**. Correspondence and Information Items:
 - a) Capital Budget 2022 NORDS Funding
 - CAO informed the committee that the NORDS funding is being received for 2021 and 2022. So we will have double. We were looking at \$128,000, but now we will have \$256,000 to apply to roads project. Director of Public Works advised that a lot has changed since our last public works meeting and cost of material is now increasing by 30-40%. Committee discussed the NORDS funding and advised to keep it all for this year and apply it to Quae Quae Road and proceed with discussion that was done at the Public Works meeting of January 20th, 2022 regarding Capital Budget.
 - b) Recycling Coach Phasing out April 2022
 - Director of Public Works advised that the "APP" for Recycling Coach will be phased out by April 2022. The "APP" download assists the residents in advising them of their recycling day. The company has advised that the "APP" will be discontinued and if the Municipality wish to continue, we will have to purchase the software at an approximate cost of \$2500/yr. Committee was advised that approximately 10% of the residents use the "APP", and Committee felt that it was not a worthwhile expense to have. The Municipality already uses alternative ways to advise the residents of their recycling day such as the Municipal Calendar. Notice will be prepared to place on our Social Media advising of the discontinuing of the "APP".



5. Referrals from past meetings:

There were no referrals from the last meeting, but Deputy Mayor Trahan ask to discuss the rock at the landfill site:

 Director of Public Works will have a look at what it takes to extract the rock to "A" gravel....We could use the rock that is there for crushing into the form of "A" gravel. Director will do a study regarding the high-level cost such as how much material we actually have. He will look at staging it to see if it would be beneficial to the municipality and see if it would extend the life of the landfill site.

At the Regular Meeting of Council, March 8th 2022, the FONOM letter "Northern Ontario Transportation Task Force" was referred to the Public Works Committee Meeting. Councillor Kelly advised that he has a FONOM meeting on March 18th, 2022 and from there he will have more information to bring back to the committee.

- **6.** Next meeting date: April 20th, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.
- **7**. Adjournment.