

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Public Works Committee was held Tuesday, January 15, 2008 in the Municipal Office at 7:00 p.m.

Present were: Mayor R. Harvey, Councillors: G. Harper, J. Foulds, PWS A. Taff and Public Works Foreman B. Kovacs.

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: Mr. Butch Kovacs declared conflict of interest re: "Rent of Equipment" tenders.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: That the minutes of the PWC meeting (December 11, 2007) has been approved as recorded by PWS. Moved by Councillor G. Harper, seconded by Councillor J. Foulds.

BEAVER DAM PROBLEM, MAATTA'S ROAD: An audience was held with Mrs. K. McNaughton and Mr. R. Swainson. The problem was presented by Mr. Mayor. After the discussion, PWC recommends to Mayor and Council that the beaver dam will be removed in the spring of 2008 and the "Beaver Deceiver" will be built in the summer of 2008 in conjunction with the MNR. Moved by Councillor J. Foulds, seconded by Councillor G. Harper.

SEWAGE PLANT UPGRADING: Mr. Mayor made a presentation re: payment of equipment - John Mennier Inc. letter. PWC agreed that the present agreement re: payment is in force.

FIRST STREET & RAILWAY STREET PAVEMENT REHABILITATION: Mr. Mayor made a presentation re: estimate for job as noted above, prepared by PWS. Also the new TBT offer (Geotechnical investigation) was discussed by PWC. PWC recommends to Mayor and Council that the "Geotechnical Investigation" will be done by TBT Engineering as shown in the fax dated January 15, 2008 at a cost of \$16,780.00 + GST (Exhibit No. 1). Moved by Councillor G. Harper, seconded by Councillor J. Foulds.

½ T. FORD (Orange): Mr. A. Taff reported that the Township received only one bid: Mr. B. Kovacs - \$50.00. PWC recommends to Mayor and Council that the ½ T. Ford (orange) will be sold to Mr. B. Kovacs at a cost of \$50.00. Moved by Councillor J. Foulds, seconded by Councillor G. Harper.

CALL OUT POSITION: PWC recommends to Mayor and Council that "Call Out Labourer" list is approved as is shown in Exhibit No. 2. Moved by Councillor G. Harper, seconded by Councillor J. Foulds.

RENT OF EQUIPMENT TENDER: At this time Mr. B. Kovacs left the office. PWC

recommends to Mayor and Council that “rent of equipment” is approved as is shown in Exhibit No. 3. Moved by Councillor J. Foulds, seconded by Councillor G. Harper, at this point Mr. B. Kovacs returned to the meeting.

SAFETY CHECK TENDER: PWC recommends to Mayor and Council that the cost of the safety check is approved as is shown in the Exhibit No. 4. Moved by Councillor G. Harper, seconded by Councillor J. Foulds.

GRAVEL TENDER: PWC recommends to Mayor and Council that the price of the gravel is approved as is shown in Exhibit No. 5, moved by Councillor J. Foulds, seconded by Councillor G. Harper.

WATER QUALITY : Good

WATER PLANT MOE INSPECTION: PWS reported that currently the water plant is inspected by MOE. Township is waiting for the inspection report.

WATER PLANT (TURBIDITY): Mr. A. Taff reported that turbidity after filters from time to time exceeded 0.3 NTU, New MOE standard, however, water after secondary contact tank (water going to the distribution system) meets MOE standard (less than 1.0 NTU).

RESERVOIRS: PWS reported that the reservoir roof is in very bad condition and must be replaced a.s.a.p. PW department is expecting an estimate from contractor (Mr. B. Atkinson).

PW EQUIPMENT: PWC discussed the existing condition of the PW equipment. PWC recommends to Mayor and Council that a new Riding mower will be purchased for the PW department. Moved by Councillor G. Harper, seconded by Councillor J. Foulds. PWC recommends to Mayor and Council that the old small low bed trailer will be sold. Advertising will be placed in the Township Office, Zechner’s Store, Post Office, Arena and Township Garage. Moved by Councillor J. Foulds, seconded by Councillor G. Harper.

PWC recommended to Mayor and Council that a new small low bed trailer will be purchased for PW department. Moved by Councillor G. Harper, seconded by Councillor J. Foulds.

Also PWC discussed problems as follows:

a.) Garbage truck: - very poor shape. Mr. Mayor will talk with the Mayor of Red Rock re: combined garbage collection for both Townships.

b.) Grader is also in poor shape, information re: leasing from Thunder Bay is required.

c.) 5T International - very poor shape.

SIDEWALKS PROGRAM: PWC recommends to Mayor and Council that the top priority is Sixth Street sidewalk replacement. Moved by Councillor J. Foulds, seconded by Councillor G. Harper.

STREET & RURAL ROAD CONDITION: Harkness Street and Greenmantle Drive are in very bad shape. Potential hazard does exist on Maatta's Road (Beaver Dam).

WATERFRONT - OPERATION: PWC recommends to Mayor and Council that advertising with a request for Marina operation will be placed in the Nipigon Gazette. Also "Public Notice" will be placed in the: Town Office, Post Office, Zechner's Store and the Arena. Moved by Councillor G. Harper, seconded by Councillor J. Foulds.

WATERFRONT - DOUBLE BOAT LAUNCH: PWC discussed problem as noted above.

WATERFRONT USER FEE: PWC recommends to Mayor and Council to add to user fee as follows:

4 a.) Weekly docking: Main dock & Floating dock - 6 days payment & 7th day free of charge.

8.) Other boats will be stored at a cost of \$353.00. Moved by Councillor J. Foulds, seconded by Councillor G. Harper.

WATERFRONT - "PAVILION USE" POLICY: PWC recommends to Mayor and Council that will the same as the past year. Moved by Councillor G. Harper, seconded by Councillor J. Foulds.

WATERFRONT - MR. MACALPINE LETTER: was discussed by PWC. A response will be sent by PWS.

LANDFILL SITE - TIPPING FEES: PWC recommends that the fees will stay the same as last year. Moved by Councillor J. Foulds, seconded by Councillor G. Harper.

ALS - NEW PRICES (WATER & WASTE WATER) TESTING: PWC recommends to Mayor and Council that new ALS water & waste water testing prices are approved as is shown in the Exhibit No. 6. Moved by Councillor G. Harper, seconded by Councillor J. Foulds.

ALS - LEAD TESTING: - Information

CWWA - 2008 MEMBERSHIP: PWC recommends to Mayor and Council that 2008 Township membership will be paid to CWWA at a cost of \$229.48. Moved by Councillor J. Foulds, seconded by G. Harper.

OMWA - 2008 MEMBERSHIP: PWC recommends to Mayor and Council that 2008 Township membership will be paid to OMWA at a cost of \$275.60. Moved by Councillor G. Harper, seconded by Councillor J. Foulds.

NORTH OF SUPERIOR PUBLIC WORKS ASSOCIATION 2008 MEMBERSHIP: PWC

recommends to Mayor and Council that a 2008 membership for Mr. Butch Kovacs will be paid to North of Superior Public Works Association at a cost of \$70.00. Moved by Councillor J. Foulds, seconded by Councillor G. Harper.

ESSO LETTER RE: GARBAGE COLLECTION: PWC directed the PWS to prepare the calculation and discuss the problem with Mr. J. Figliomeni.

TBDHU LETTER RE: NIPIGON ESSO BUILDING CODE REQUIREMENTS: Referred to By Law-Enforcement Officer.

RCCAO: BRIDGING THE GAP STUDY: - Information

TSSA: DIGESTER GAS INSTALLATION: - Information from our consultant (ENL) is required.

COURSES, CONFERENCES:

- MH & SA Health & Safety for Supervisors and Managers Training Jan. 23 & 24, 2008 Sault Ste. Marie - information
- MH & SA Basic Certification January 30, 31 & Feb. 1, 2008, Sault Ste. Marie - information
- DWQMS & Risk Assessment and Emergency Preparedness, Feb. 27 - 28, 2008 Thunder Bay.

PWC recommends to Mayor and Council that Mr. A. Taff will attend the seminar as noted above. Moved by Councillor G. Harper, seconded by Councillor J. Foulds.

- Land and Economic Development, March 31st & April 1st, 2008, Toronto - Information

SUNDRIES:

- OPWA Annual meeting - information
- OIT position was discussed by PWC

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m

Next meeting: February 12 at 7:00 p.m.

LABOURER

CALL OUT POSITION

- 1.) Allan Clearwater
- 2.) Garry Thorsteinson
- 3.) Jim Keay
- 4.) Sam Cloutier
- 5.) Norman Vezeau
- 6.) Kristopher Meservia
- 7.) Avery Larson
- 8.) Kevin Hardy
- 9.) Bruce Johnston
- 10.) Blair Lefenski

RECOMMENDATIONS TO MAYOR AND COUNCIL:

- #1. That the beaver dam (Maatta's Road) will be removed in the spring, 2008 and the "Beaver Deceiver" will be built in the summer of 2008 in conjunction with the MNR.
- #2. That "Geotechnical Investigation" re: First St. & Railway Street (Pavement rehabilitation) will be done by TBT Engineering at a cost of \$16,780.00 (Exhibit No. 1).
- #3. That ½ T. Ford (orange) will be sold to Mr. B. Kovacs at a cost of \$50.00.
- #4. That the "Call Out Labourer" list is approved as is shown in Exhibit No. 2.
- #5. That "Rent of Equipment" is approved as is shown in Exhibit No. 3.
- #6. That the cost of the "Safety Check" is approved as is shown in Exhibit No. 4.
- #7. That the price of gravel is approved as is shown in Exhibit No. 5.
- #8. That the new Riding Mower will be purchased for the PW department.
- #9. That the old small low bed trailer will be sold and advertising will be placed in the Township Office, Zechner's store, Post Office, Arena and Town garage.
- #10. That a new small low bed trailer will be purchased for the PW department.
- #11. That the top priority re: replacement sidewalk is the 6th Street sidewalk.
- #12. That advertising with a request for proposal for the Marina Operation will be placed in the Nipigon Gazette. Also a "Public Notice" will be placed in the Township Office, Post Office, Zechner's Store and the Arena.
- #13. That an addition to the User Fees (Waterfront) will be as follows:
 - 4 a.) Weekly docking: Main dock and floating dock - 6 days payment & 7th day free of charge
 - 8.) Other boats will be stored at a cost \$353.00.
- #14. That the Waterfront Pavilion Use Policy will be the same as past year.
- #15. That the Landfill Site tipping fees will remain the same as past year.
- #16. That the new ALS prices are approved as shown in Exhibit No. 6.
- #17. That 2008 Township membership will be paid to CWWA at a cost of \$229.48.
- #18. That 2008 Township membership will be paid to OMWA at a cost of \$275.60.
- #19. That 2008 membership for Mr. B. Kovacs will be paid to North of Superior Public Works Association at a cost of \$70.00.

#20. That Mr. A. Taff will attend DWQMS & Risk Assessment and Emergency Preparedness Seminar, Feb. 27 - 28 in Thunder Bay.