

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON

The Township of Melancthon Roads Sub-Committee held an electronic meeting March 10, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. The following members were present: David Besley, Chair, Wayne Hannon and Darren White. Also present were: Denise Holmes, CAO/Clerk; Craig Micks, Public Works Superintendent; Wendy Atkinson, Treasurer and Kaitlin Chessell, Roads Sub-Committee Secretary. Chair Besley called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

Additions/Deletions/Approval of Agenda

Addition:

7.4 b) Hydro One Request for Letter Stating What Work is Exempt Under Half Load Restrictions

Moved by White, Seconded by Hannon that the agenda be approved as amended. Carried.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest or Conflict of Interest

No declaration declared at this time.

Approval of Draft Minutes

Moved by White, Seconded by Besley that the minutes of the Roads Sub-Committee meeting held on January 21, 2021 be approved as circulated. Carried.

Business Arising from Minutes

None.

Correspondence Items

None.

General Business

1. Update from Public Works Superintendent

Craig Micks, Public Works Superintendent advised they have been plowing and sanding some, but it has been a great winter so far. The guys fixed the broken emergency road closure sign so that they now have another one and all the half load signs have been put up around the Township. They have been cleaning out culverts and doing some ditching as well as cold patching and grading.

2. Letter from Hydro One regarding Roadside Line Clearing

It was discussed that if the roads are in good shape, we should allow them to do some of this work as not allowing them to do the work in their non-busy time just adds to the backlog of tree clearing that needs to be done in the Township. It was decided that Craig would ask Hydro One to send over a list of roads that they would like to clear on, and he could give them an exemption to do so on a day-to-day basis based on the road conditions.

3. Dust Control Quotation from Da-Lee Group

Craig Micks, Public Works Superintendent advised that he was good with accepting the quote from Da-lee. The price increase was approximately 1 cent per litre and the cost difference would be approximately an additional \$5000 if we order the same amount of calcium as in 2020.

Recommendation:

The Roads Sub-Committee recommends to Council that we accept the quotation from Da-Lee Group for Calcium.

4. Letter from Hydro One Requesting Exemption from Half Loads By-Law

It was discussed that they could work with Craig to see if we could let them complete some of this work during half loads season if they let us know what roads they will be using, and it will depend on the condition of the roads.

b) Staff were directed to give Hydro One a letter stating that Emergency Work is Exempt under the Half loads By-law. As for Customer Driven Work a letter will be issued to them on a case by case basis as we would like to be aware of the new connections in the Township and what roads Hydro One will be traveling on to do so.

5. Development of Poulton Place (Unopened road allowance in Corbetton

This was directed back to the Roads Sub-Committee from Council. There are six lots on this street that are currently unbuildable as the road is not developed. Craig got a quote from Demmans Excavating to bring this road up to standards. The quote was for \$40,420 without the cost of gravel included. Craig thought this could all be completed for approximately \$50,000. It was discussed that some of the landowners would not necessarily want to build on these lots right away and others would. It was suggested that the Township could approach landowners and ask them to enter into an agreement with the Township to put some money up for completing the road and that would at least give them a buildable lot for resale if they did not want to build. Staff was directed

to check with the Township's Lawyer to see if all the landowners could enter into one agreement with the Township.

6. Others/Additions

None.

Delegations

None.

Recommendations to Council

Recommendation has been outlined above.

Public Question Period

A member of the public believes that if we build the road the people will come. They also mentioned that it maybe helpful to send the half load season dates and by-law out through the Township's Mailchimp and put it under public notices on the Township's website. It was also discussed that the Police need to be enforcing this and showing their presence for the trucks to stop driving on our roads during half load season. Member White advised that this was discussed with the OPP at the last Police Services Board Meeting and the new Detachment Commander was very perceptive to getting out and enforcing this. Craig was asked to get a list of the problem roads together to send over to the OPP for enforcing.

Confirmation Motion

Moved by White, Seconded by Hannon that all actions of the Members and Officers of the Roads Sub-Committee with respect to every matter addressed and/or adopted by the Sub-Committee on the above date are hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed; and each motion, resolution and other actions taken by the Sub-Committee Members at the meeting held on the above date are hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed. Carried.

Adjournment

2:37 p.m. - Moved by Hannon, Seconded by White that we adjourn this Roads Sub-Committee meeting to meet again on Wednesday, April 7th, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. or at the call of the Chair. Carried.

CHAIR

SECRETARY