

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON

The Township of Melancthon Roads Sub-Committee held a meeting on August 19th, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. The following members were present: James McLean, and Bill Neilson, Vice-Chair. Also present were: Craig Micks, Public Works Superintendent, Denise Holmes, CAO/Clerk, and Kaitlin Dinnick, Roads Sub-Committee Secretary. Member Darren White was absent with prior notice given.

Call to Order

Chair McLean called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

Land Acknowledgement

Chair McLean shared the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

Additions/Deletions/Approval of Agenda

Moved by Neilson, Seconded by McLean that the agenda be approved as circulated. Carried.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest or Conflict of Interest

None.

Approval of Draft Minutes

Moved by Neilson, Seconded by McLean that the minutes of Roads Sub-Committee Meeting held on July 8th, 2024, be approved as circulated. Carried.

Business Arising from Minutes

None.

Correspondence Items

None.

General Business

1. Update from Public Works Superintendent

Craig advised the Committee that they have been working on trimming trees on River Road, they rehabilitated the parking lot at the Horning's Mills Hall and have been ditching along Mill Lane to eliminate water issues before the paving of Mill Lane is

completed. The Public Works Department have been out grading roads again and have been putting the Road Counter and the Black Cat out to collect data.

2. Road Projects Update

Craig advised that Cox Construction is hoping to start our paving projects at the end of August.

3. Road Safety Updates

1. Updated Paid Duty Officer Statistics

The Committee reviewed the year-to-date report of paid duty statistics.

2. Other

Chair McLean asked if we had heard back from Mulmur Township regarding our motion about River Road and Denise advised that it should be on their September 4th, 2024 Council Agenda for discussion.

4. Black Cat Data Update

Craig advised that the Black Cat had been out on River Road and has been moved to the 4th Line NE. He also advised the Committee that the Road Counter has been out on the 5th Line OS to see if traffic has decreased since County Road 21 has been paved. The Committee directed Staff to place the Black Cat on 2nd Line SW and 260 Sideroad outside the hamlets.

5. Discussions regarding Sidewalks in Horning's Mills

1. Asphalt vs Traditional Sidewalk Options

The Committee discussed the options for sidewalks and agreed that the asphalt option is best, and the hope is that the work could be completed early next year. It was also discussed that we should get the existing sidewalk fixed that is there and look at options for separating the asphalt sidewalk from the pavement for safety. The Committee is going to do an onsite prior to the next Roads Meeting.

2. Timelines

This was discussed above.

3. Public Engagement

Chair McLean brought forward about public engagement as some environmental concerns were brought forward to him and he wants to ensure that we engage the

public. It was suggested that public engagement could be done during the 2025 budget process.

Recommendation:

The Roads Sub-Committee recommends to Council that we move forward with the asphalt sidewalk option to be completed in 2025 and we invite public engagement on this during the 2025 budget discussions.

6. Email from Al Blundell, regarding Road Safety Task Force

This email was discussed by the Committee and Al advised that it looks like the Police Service Board is moving forward as of November 2024. Chair McLean discussed putting a call out to members of the community about a committee run by community members that would bring concerns back to the Roads Sub-Committee.

7. Update from Al Blundell

Al Blundell advised that he would see about having an Officer from the OPP attend meetings again.

Recommendation to Council

Above.

Public Question Period

None.

Confirmation Motion

Moved by Neilson, Seconded by McLean 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

10:04 a.m. - Moved by Neilson, Seconded by McLean that we adjourn this Roads Sub-Committee meeting to meet again on September 9th, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. Carried.

CHAIR

SECRETARY