



Corporation of the County of Grey Committee Minutes

Transportation and Public Safety Committee Minutes October 4, 2012 – 10:00 a.m.

The Transportation and Public Safety Committee met on the above date at the County Administration Building with the following members in attendance:

Present: Vice Chair Francis Richardson; Councillors Brian Milne, Deborah Haswell, Bob Pringle, Paul McQueen, Bob White, and Warden Duncan McKinlay

Regrets: Councillors Alan Barfoot, John Bell, Ellen Anderson

Staff

Present: Lance Thurston, CAO; Michael Kelly, Director of Transportation Services; Mike Muir, Director of EMS; Kevin Wepler, Director of Finance; Mary Lou Spicer, Deputy Director of Finance; Pat Hoy, Engineering Manager; Matt Marck, Senior Engineering Technician; Sheila McKerroll, Special Project Coordinator, and Diana Livingston, Recording Secretary

Call to Order

Vice Chair Richardson called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Councillor Pringle joined the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There was none.

Business Arising from Minutes

Transportation and Public Safety Committee minutes dated September 20, 2012.

This is for information only as these minutes have previously been approved by County Council.

Human Resources Update

There was none.

Reports – Financial

FR-CS-35-12– 2013 Corporate Wide Budget Overview and Background

This report is for information purposes only as it was presented at the September 25, 2012 Corporate Services Committee.

TAPS67-12 Moved by: Councillor Milne

Seconded by: Councillor Haswell

THAT Report FR-CS-35-12 regarding the 2013 Corporate Wide Budget Overview and Background be received.

Carried

TR-TAPS-42-12 Proposed 2013 Transportation Services Budget

Mr. Kelly presented Report TR-TAPS-42-12 summarizing the 2013 proposed Transportation Services budget. Mr. Hoy presented the Resurfacing and Minor Capital budget summary.

Warden McKinlay asked for a basic explanation of paving terms such as cold in place be provided to the Committee. Mr. Kelly suggested a future Transportation and Public Safety Committee meeting be set up to discuss various types of pavement strategies such as cold-in place, expanded asphalt recycling, micro surfacing and mill and pave. Mr. White suggested that on higher costing projects that the life extension of the road be included. Mr. Wepler clarified that the budget is moving towards a project based budget to capture the total cost of each specific project.

TAPS68-12 Moved by: Councillor Haswell

Seconded by: Councillor White

THAT Report TR-TAPS-42-12 regarding the Draft 2013 Transportation Services Budget be received;

AND THAT the 2013 Transportation Services Budget as presented be forwarded to Council for consideration.

Carried

EMSR-TAPS-10-12 Proposed 2013 EMS Budget

Mr. Muir presented Report EMSR-TAPS-10-12 summarizing the 2013 proposed EMS budget. Highlights of the presentation included enhanced staffing levels in Dundalk, capital purchases of ambulances and an emergency response vehicle and operational costs related to ambulance service provision. Ms. Spicer and Mr. Wepler updated the Committee on 50/50 funding entitlement from the Province and how costs are developed.

TAPS69-12 Moved by: Councillor White

Seconded by: Councillor McQueen

THAT Report EMSR-TAPS-10-12 regarding the Draft 2013 EMS Budget be received;

AND THAT the 2013 EMS Budget as presented be forwarded to County Council for consideration.

Carried

Reports – Transportation

TR-TAPS-39-12 Update Operational Review

Mrs. McKerroll presented Report TR-TAPS-39-12 regarding the status of the Transportation Services operational review.

The purpose of this study is to investigate the maintenance, construction, sign shop and quarry operations and identify potential opportunities to improve the efficiency of the Transportation Services Department regarding accountability and efficiency in service delivery.

Discussions and questions continued in regards to the Transportation Services operational review.

TAPS70-12 Moved by: Councillor Milne

Seconded by: Councillor Pringle

THAT Report TR-TAPS-39-12 which provides an update of the status of the Transportation Services Departments review of its operation practices (Maintenance, Construction, Sign Shop and Quarry) be accepted.

Carried

Other Business

Transportation Services Update

Mr. Kelly provided an update on Transportation Services regarding maintenance, construction, administration and operational review report.

Mr. Kelly advised the Committee that Brooke Batty has been hired in the Transportation department as the Administrative Clerk.

Staff has met with Bruce County in regards to directional signage on the Bruce/Grey town line.

Phase 1 & 2 has been completed for the Tim Horton's project in Durham.

A weed spraying meeting will be held in the first week of November, to discuss roles and strategies to eradicate noxious weeds such as Wild Chervil and Hogweed. All municipal weed inspectors will be invited and encouraged to attend.

A meeting is scheduled with Smart Centre to discuss the letter of credit from the Hanover Walmart development.

Emergency Medical Services Update

Mr. Muir proposed the Transportation Committee meeting on November 22nd, 2012 be held at the Town of The Blue Mountains Fire hall and to have the grand opening for the new Craigleith station at this time.

Next Meeting Date

October 18, 2012

On motion by Councillor Milne and Councillor Pringle, the meeting adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

Francis Richardson, Vice Chair