

MINUTES - Engineering & Public Works Committee



MEETING DATE: July 4, 2006
LOCATION: Council Chambers
PREPARED BY: Carolin Moran, Administrative Assistant

A. Call to Order

Chair McKinlay called the meeting to order with all members in attendance.

A.1 Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Bob Gamble Seconded by: John McKean

Additions:

THAT the Agenda of July 4, 2006 be adopted as circulated, Carried.

A.2 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

No member declared a pecuniary interest with regard to any matter on the Agenda.

A.3 Previous Minutes –June 13, 2006

Moved by: Gail Ardiel Seconded by: Bob Gamble

THAT the Minutes of June 13, 2006, Engineering and Public Works Committee meeting be adopted as circulated, Carried.

B. Deputations / Presentations

None.

C. Staff Reports

C.1 EPW.06.132 Award of Tender – 10th Line Water Booster Pumping Station Phase 1

John Caswell, Manager of Environment Services presented Report EPW.06.132 to the Committee as previously distributed. Attached to the Report was the tender report and Engineer's recommendation from Hatch, Mott, MacDonald.

John Caswell and Paul Graham answered questions from Committee members for their clarification.

Moved by: John McKean

Seconded by: Bob Gamble

THAT Council award Contract TBM-2006-12 entitled "10th Line Water Booster Pumping Station, Phase I", to Wellington Construction Ltd. in the amount of \$1,399,000.00, excluding GST, being the lowest price meeting all the requirements of the Contract Documents, and

THAT a Contingency Allowance of \$104,925.00 be approved, and

THAT the Mayor and the Clerk be authorized to execute the Contract Documents, and

FURTHER THAT the award be conditional upon the appropriate securities being in place from the Lora Bay Corporation, Carried.

C.2 EPW.06.131 Georgian Bay Estates Area/Georgian View Estates, Sewer Service Extension Project

Paul Graham presented Report EPW.06.131 to the Committee as previously distributed. Attached to the Report was 1. Georgian Bay Estates Area / Georgian View Estates sanitary sewer extension estimate of revenues and expenditures, and related repayment options; and 2. Guidelines for Municipal Sewer & Water Extension Projects.

Paul Graham answered various questions from Committee members for their clarification.

Moved by: John McKean

Seconded by: Gail Ardiel

THAT Council authorize staff to hold a public information session with property owners affected by the Georgian Bay Estates Area / Georgian View Estates sanitary sewer extension project for the purposes of:

1. providing a project status report;
2. notifying property owners of the estimated total project costs (\$791,807) and that the costs will be recovered on an equivalent unit basis of \$5,350 per unit, and that capital sewer rates amounting to \$10,034 will also be charged to each equivalent unit as contribution towards existing sewer works;
3. advising property owners that payment options per unit include:
 - a) full payment of \$15,384 up front; or
 - b) payment over time of \$1,689 per annum (based on a 15 year term and at 7.0% interest per annum); the balance owing on the loan may be repaid at any time, including interest to that date, with no penalty applied; at the time a property is sold, the balance of the loan becomes due and payable;

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4. advising property owners that the Town may fund road upgrade costs;
5. advising property owners that this arrangement is conditional upon the Town receiving a 10 meter wide easement for the construction, operation and maintenance of a new sanitary sewer from Indian Circle to the Georgian Trail and that the costs of this easement will be added to the payments outlined in this recommendation, Carried.

C.3 EPW.06.130 Ontario Municipal Water Association Publicly-Owned Water Supply Systems

Paul Graham presented Report EPW.06.130 to the Committee as previously distributed. Attached to the Report was: Correspondence received from the Ontario Municipal Water Association, dated June 10, 2006.

Moved by: Bob Gamble

Seconded by: Gail Ardiel

THAT the correspondence received from the Ontario Municipal Water Association (OMWA) concerning the recommendations made in Watertight, by the government-appointed Water Expert Panel, will, if adopted, transfer control of water assets from municipalities to local water companies. These water companies are to be governed by Boards, with two-thirds of Board members to be drawn from the private sector which OMWA views as the first step in dismantling public ownership be received, and

THAT the Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains supports the position of the Ontario Municipal Water Association that water must remain under public ownership and control, and

THAT the Government of Ontario must make a commitment to the people of Ontario to keep water under public ownership and control by enshrining it in legislation, and

FURTHER THAT a copy of this motion be sent to Premier Dalton McGuinty, the Minister of Public Infrastructure Renewal, The Hon. David Caplan, the Minister of the Environment, The Hon. Laurel Broten, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, The Hon. John Gerretson, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and the Ontario Municipal Water Association, Carried.

C.4 EPW.06.134 Highway 26 Signalized Pedestrian Cross-Walk at Beaver River Bridge

Paul Graham presented Report EPW.06.134 to the Committee as previously distributed. Attached to the Report was: 1. Letter to Ministry of Transportation, dated June 23, 2006.

Moved by: Bob Gamble

Seconded by: John McKean

THAT Council authorize the funding to construct a signalized pedestrian cross-walk across Highway 26 at the east end of the Beaver River Bridge at the estimated cost of \$40,000.00, excluding GST, and

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THAT the costs be funded from the Roads Infrastructure Deficit Reserve or alternately, part or all from uncommitted SuperBuild Program, and

FURTHER THAT any future Beaver River Bridge Restoration financial support from the Ministry of Transportation, related to this pedestrian cross-walk, be directed back to the Roads Infrastructure Deficit Reserve, if approved by the Town's Treasurer, Carried.

C.5 CAO.06.29 Thornbury Self Storage Facility – G. Bochna

Paul Graham presented Report CAO.06.29 as prepared by David Creech, to the Committee as previously distributed. Attached to the Report was: 1. June 2005 Report outlining a Process to resolve all issues; 2. April 10, 2006 Letter to Mr. Bochna; 3. June 27, 2006 Letter from Fire Department.

The Committee discussed the Report, and Mr. Graham answered questions for clarification.

Moved by: Bob Gamble

Seconded by: Gail Ardiel

THAT G. Bochna be given 90 calendar days notice to enter into a new site plan agreement for this property based on the conditions outlined in our April 10, 2006 letter, or reasonably acceptable alternatives; and

THAT if these conditions are not met, the staff be authorized to enforce the necessary safety regulations and encroachment infractions to the letter of the law, Carried.

D. Information Reports / Correspondence

None.

E. New and Unfinished Business

E.1 Bob Gamble reported that a local resident expressed concern regarding the north and south traffic on Bruce Street getting backed up due to the sequence of the street lights at the intersection of Bruce Street and Hwy 26. Paul Graham and Don Hutchinson will follow up by conducting spot checks during various times of the day and days of the week.

F. Next Meeting Date

Tuesday, July 11, 2006, 6:00 p.m.

G Adjournment

Moved by: Bob Gamble

Seconded by: John McKean

THAT this meeting adjourn at 7:00 p.m., Carried.