

Minutes of the Public Works Committee Meeting

September 28, 2010

Attendees: Reeve Rick Lussier, Deputy Reeve Bob Bruneau
Councillors Russ Preston, Vera Cardinal, Don Sikora
CAO Donna Tschetter, Assistant Tannis Lodge
Public Works Manager Pete Lussier

Drainage

2010 flooding – DFA update

- Claim ready to submit to DFA for reimbursement \$124,960.72
- DFA will reimburse if we want to use a geotechnical engineer
- **Action: contact Genivar for geotechnical engineer for 3 of the sites**
- Material tender evaluation given to council – D. Sikora leaves chair due to conflict of interest
- Discussion held on tenders
- V. Cardinal – what is our standard bidding? 1 contractor comes in lower than rest, should we be questioning? – Pete 1 contractor has rock available the others have to blast or purchase
- B. Bruneau – whatever is best for RM
- V. Cardinal – does tender have a bid bond – no
- Discussion on substitutions
- Placement of material will be by hourly rate
- Pete – how are we to pay for these works? – R. Lussier will have to borrow and once reimbursement is made loan can be repaid
- **Action: Council to make decision on material tender and material substitution**
- Grant Road drain – this is on private land, it is RM's responsibility to maintain, will need easement
- Discussion of landowner wanting ownership of road back
- **Action: look into trade road for easement-Received a written request from Grant Erickson via email dated October 6, 2010**

Update on budget re: contractor drainage

- Still awaiting invoice – budget at \$95,000.00
- Discussion on continuing drainage
- **Action: use \$30K from dust control budget**
- **Action: Pete to forward to Council his breakdown of Public Works budget-done!**

Don Sikora contracting

- Not working for RM at this time

Ron's Backhoe

- Not working for RM at this time

CX210

- Started Woodview job – operator off with injury

140SR

- Continuing on small jobs – beaver dams, culverts

Additional Drainage Jobs

Bilan North request

- Donna & Pete met with Water Stewardship Aug 27, 2010
- Water Stewardship will not license drainage request going North – change of mini watersheds, the water should go along Landerville/Chevron
- Water Stewardship will put Landerville/Chevron on emergency list and will do cleanout themselves – should be digging by Oct
- Area farmer stated that Landerville/Chevron cleanout will not help him at all – he viewed proposed cleanout (with Pete) immediately following a rain fall and once Wardrop fills up this drain no longer works – P. Lussier but it will drain faster before Wardrop fills and drain faster once Wardrop goes down
- R. Preston – stated that commitment for Wardrop cleanout should be announced today

V. Cardinal - would like to see master drainage list – R. Lussier priorities changed all the time due to rain – **Council was provided this list**

Other drainage discussed

- Rivera request on Maple Creek Rd.
- Langthorne
- Zawislak request on Smith Rd.
- Wendigo Rd. cleanout
- Fatima Rd. culvert crossing road
- **Schinkels request on Riverland West – Vera & Ron Buller to look and report back to council**
- Tower Rd. beaver dams

Culvert budget

- Over budget now by \$1000.00
- P. Lussier – year spent \$50,000 this year budget \$25,000 - another \$10,000 should be spent
- B. Bruneau – culvert at Mascanow requested 3 years ago
- **Action: Evaluation of budget remaining**

#46 Riverland North

- Resident concerned that water backs up onto property
- Pete – bottom of the hill only thing which would help would be larger culvert crossing road going into Winnipeg River
- DFO has been asked – resistant to change due to fish habitat
- Pete - culvert appears to be at appropriate level – lake level
- This has been communicated to resident
- Awaiting word from DFO

Road Grading

- Updated list provided to Council

Lagoon

- No update from Manitoba Conservation in regards to expansion submission – ad has been placed in local paper seeking feedback – Sept 24, 2010 closing date
- 18” of freeboard on primary cell, need another discharge to make winter
- Consultant has given informal price of \$2000.00 to do another proposal for discharge
- **Action: apply for discharge**

Other Business

Spoil Piles

- Quotes to be opened by Council

2007 grader leases

- Quotes from 3 vendors in
- Evaluation presented to Council
- Units 3 years old with less than 4000 hours – 1 has a new engine
- **Action: Council requested a resolution be prepared to continue the grader leases and not buying out-Oct 12/10**
- **Also getting quotes for extended warranties – one from Westcon Ed Gulay (Volvo) who is already working on.**

Road reconstruction

- Money budgeted
- Jobs include Champagne, Anderson, Wendigo
- Discussed reconstruction for Haavisto – truck haulage damage this past summer
- **Action: look at doing this work this fall**
- **Karl reports that Haavisto Road has received gravel and is in good shape**

Culvert and Civic timeline Bylaw 24-10

- Pete – is 10 working days reasonable
- Yes 10 working days max
- **Need a procedure for all staff and Karl to follow**

Transfer station winter hours

- Winter hours to commence Nov 1, 2010
- Hours to be 9:30 to 5:00 Tuesday to Sunday, Monday 9:30 to 6:30
- **Action: create schedule**

Guard Rails Brookfield/Riverland

- V. Cardinal – these rails were purchased last year why are they not installed?

- R. Lussier – manpower issues, they are in yard

#3 Alma Drive

- Home owner requesting compensation for damage done due to overland flooding
- RM did pay for repairs in the past
- R. Lussier – RM will not pay for personal damages
- Home owner was declined by DFA due to being seasonal
- \$5500 has been spent by home owner since 2007
- RM has replaced culvert going through Kromberg
- D. Sikora – Sec. 9 of municipal act states that damage caused by unfinished work is at RM's expense
- **Action: research Sec. 9 of municipal act**
Act was searched and it is Section 390 of the Municipal Act
Council to make a decision and reply to her October 12, 2010

Heckert Drain

- Water Stewardship closed both bridges on Fatima and Overwater
- Area farmer – courtesy would have been to contact landowners in area
- R. Lussier – Water Stewardship did not make RM aware of closures
- Water Stewardships plan until bridges can be repaired is to install 3 1800mm culverts at Bychuck Rd.
- RM to get 2 miles of Bychuck Rd in shape – Pete – solid roads, need mowing and shaping
- Area farmer concerned that culverts might be too small
- **Action: contact Water Stewardship to confirm culvert size and communicate back to Area farmers**
- Area farmer requested gravel on roads in this area

Cape Coppermine Subdivision email – drainage/public reserve

- Pete – checked out culvert, couldn't see issue called and left message with resident
- Tannis – called left message with resident
- Concern was on Aug 27th Public Works Agenda
- What public reserves do we maintain?
- Rate payer- we cut our own green space
- R. Preston/R. Lussier look at each one on its won basis and create a master list of which ones RM would maintain
- V. Cardinal – RM should make 1st cut then Cottage Association can maintain themselves
- **Action: create list of maintained reserves**
- **Action: reply to resident – Done!**

Tree Planting

- Manitoba Forestry Association has notified RM looking to plant Jackpine seedlings
- RM identified old 313 garbage dump, Wood Duck boat launch, Osprey boat launch, old Coppermine dump area

Wood Duck boat launch

- Request for dredging went to DFO
- V. Cardinal – need temp fix as people are getting stuck on ramp
- **Action: request to local DFO officer to let RM put clean rock at end of ramp**

Cape Coppermine Drain

**Meeting with area farmers requesting survey be done
Its Highways ditch
Action: – Ron to survey**