

TOWNSHIP OF WHITEWATER REGION
Committee Meeting

Meeting Title: *Public Works Committee* Date: *Wed, September 5, 2007*

Place: *Municipal Council Chambers* Start Time: *2:30 p.m.*

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order
2. Adoption of Previous Minutes
3. Garden Lake Road Request – Ken Bradley
4. Poison Ivy Spraying – Greenway Association
5. Other Business
 - i) Municipal Trailer – Surplus
 - ii) Drainage issue – Melnyk
6. Closed Meeting to discuss litigation, potential litigation, labour relations and the security of the property of the municipality
7. Adjournment

Present: Mayor Don Rathwell, Deputy Mayor Ron Lowe Councillors: Art Cobb, Jack Ferguson, Jim Labow, Izett McBride, Daryl McLaughlin, Joey Trimm and Jacob Rook

Staff Present: Dean Sauriol, Hal Johnson

Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Ron Lowe, Seconded by Art Cobb

“Be it resolved that the minutes of the Public Works Committee Meeting dated July 4, 2007 be adopted as circulated.”

Carried
Jim Labow

Garden Lake Trail Cottagers

Moved by Joe Trim, Seconded by Ron Lowe

“Be it Resolved that the Public Works Committee recommend to Council that the Garden Lake Trail Cottagers be granted permission to cross Municipal Lands identified as Pins 115, 166, 220, 236 of Block 57216”

Carried
Jim Labow

Garden Lake Road Request

Mr. Ken Bradley was speaking on behalf of the residents of Garden Lake Trail and Catherine Lake Cottagers. Their requests are the following:

- They would like a motion that would allow cottagers to access the Whitewater Region properties.
- They would like Whitewater Region to share the cost of surveying of the entire property \$30 000- asking Whitewater Region to contribute \$4 000 to the survey
- Request that cottagers form an association so that their organization would manage the speed signage and also possibly the management of the beach, by way of lease.
- Would the Township be agreeable to straightening a hair pin turn, by donating land?
- Would the Township be agreeable to sitting on the association?

Councillor Trimm spoke to several of the issues. He spoke of the survey costs and expressed that he was opposed to the leasing of our land to an Association. He would prefer the sale of the land.

Deputy Mayor Ron Lowe asked about speed regarding the hair pin turn.

Councillor McLaughlin commented on our position on this property at this time.

Survey of Garden Lake Trail Area

Moved by Ron Lowe, Seconded by Art Cobb

“Be it Resolved that the Public Works Committee Recommend to Council that we contribute \$750 per pin for the establishment of a survey of our four properties and the Garden lake Trail area.”

Carried
Jim Labow

Garden Lake Area

Consensus that we do not appoint a representative on a Cottager’s Association. In connection with the leasing of the land to the Association was tabled for the collection of further information.

Straightening of Berts Road

Moved by Joey Trim, Seconded by Jack Ferguson

“Be it Resolved that the Public Works Committee recommend to council that we grant permission to the Garden Lake Trail Association the use of Municipal Land to straighten out Berts Road at no cost to the Municipality”

Carried
Jim Labow

Poison Ivy Spraying- Greenway Association

The Clerk stated that he received a call against the spraying of noxious weeds. There was much discussion on the precedence of this issue. Consensus that we do not spray the noxious weeds.

Municipal Trailer- Surplus

Discussion on whether the municipal trailer should be kept for our own use or declare it surplus. Consensus was made that we declare the trailer surplus.

Drainage Issue- Melnyk

Historical and current drainage patterns were discussed. Several items of discussion were entered into. There was a concern that we are not sure it is our responsibility and although we understand their issue, there is not much we can do.

Consensus that we will send a letter stating that we will send the grader down to regrade and do ditching along the maintained portion. The portion of the road beyond the culvert would be their responsibility.

Weeds- Moss

Information was given. Consensus was that we understand the problem and will address the issue next spring.

Adjournment

Moved by Jacob Rook, Seconded by Daryl McLaughlin

“Be it Resolved that the Township of Whitewater Region Public Works Committee Meeting dated September 5, 2007 be adjourned at 4:50 p.m.”

Carried
Jim Labow