



## **Public Works Committee Minutes**

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**Date:** Tuesday, March 11, 2014

**Time:** 9:00 a.m.

**Place:** Brant County Council Chambers, 7 Broadway Street West, Paris

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**Present:** Mayor Eddy, Councillors Powell, Cardy and Schmitt

**Regrets:** Councillors Coleman and Chambers

**Staff:** Emerson, Compeau, Davidson, Robinson, Tout and Boyd

Councillor Powell in the Chair.

### **Approval of Agenda**

Moved by – Councillor Schmitt  
Seconded by – Councillor Cardy

That the Public Works Committee agenda for March 11, 2014 be approved, with additions.  
.Carried

### **Approval of Minutes**

Moved by – Mayor Eddy  
Seconded by – Councillor Cardy

That the Public Works Committee minutes of February 11, 2014 be approved.  
.Carried

### **Business Arising from the Minutes**

#### **Update on Mount Pleasant Water Facility Upgrades**

L. Robinson, Director of Engineering, reported that the 14-day commissioning period began March 3, 2014. At its conclusion, a certificate of substantial performance can be issued and performance evaluations, etc. can begin.

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**Consent Items to be Approved**

Moved by – Councillor Schmitt

Seconded by – Mayor Eddy

That the following consent items be approved:

1. Whereas the County has received a Recommendation for Award from G. Douglas Vallee Ltd. in regard to PWT 4-14 - Scott Avenue Reconstruction;

That in reliance upon the recommendation of G. Douglas Vallee Ltd. dated February 20, 2014, Tender PWT 4-14, Scott Avenue Reconstruction be awarded to Morley's Contracting (Brantford) Ltd. for the tendered price of \$968,703.74 (excluding H.S.T.);

And that G. Douglas Vallee Limited be retained for Contract Administration/Inspection at the quoted fee of \$116,011.00.

2. Whereas the Bob Devereaux Bridge project is included in the approved Capital Budget;

And Whereas the County of Brant has received a recommendation for award from G. Douglas Vallee Ltd. in regard to PWT 3-14, Bob Devereaux Bridge Replacement;

That in reliance upon the recommendation of G. Douglas Vallee Ltd. dated March 4, 2014, tender PWT 3-14, Bob Devereaux Bridge Replacement be awarded to W.G. Kelly Construction for the tendered price of \$1,545,974.00 (excluding HST).

3. Whereas Meritech Engineering was awarded RFP 6-10 for Consultant Services for the Development of the Brant 403 Business Park;

And Whereas Meritech Engineering has represented the County of Brant in the Brant 403 Business Park Grading Tender; Sewage Pumping Station Tender; Brant 403 Business Park Servicing Tender and Brant 403 Business Park Utilities Tender;

And Whereas additional engineering/design/coordination works were required for the development of both adidas and the Brant 403 Business Park;

Be it recommended that the additional engineering/design/coordination fees of \$194,914.62 be approved.

4. That RFP 2-14 Consultant Services to Conduct a Transportation Master Plan Update and Preparation of an Aggregate Resource Guide be awarded to IBI Group for the quoted price of \$185,420.00 (excluding H.S.T.).

5. Whereas the County of Brant has a fee system for oversize vehicle permits on County roads;

And Whereas the current fee structure has been reviewed and compared with the fees charged by other road authorities in Ontario;

And Whereas the current practice allows for annual permit holders to obtain a number of single trip permits at no cost;

That the fee structure be amended as recommended to provide a more equitable fee structure that will allow the County to recover the cost for administering oversized vehicle permit applications.

6. Whereas the County of Brant was required by the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) to enter into an agreement to allow for the construction of private facilities (i.e. adidas Canada Limited and BGI Graphics) within the Brant 403 Business Park;

And Whereas the County of Brant did enter into an agreement with the MTO under Bylaw Number 126-13;

And Whereas immediate works were required by the MTO to facilitate the construction of adidas Canada Limited;

And Whereas it was necessary for Morrison Hershfield to complete the works to address MTO requirements;

That the contract with Morrison Hershfield be amended to include additional engineering services as required by the MTO at an estimated cost of \$646,190.00(excluding HST).

7. Whereas there are more than 300 vertical curves on County of Brant roads that were identified in the 2012 Road Needs Study as deficient curves;

And Whereas some entrances are located close to substandard crest curves;

And Whereas the Ontario Traffic Manual does not include a standard sign for this purpose;

That the County of Brant adopt a standard "Hidden Entrance" sign for warning drivers of entrances with limited sight distance;

And that these signs be installed at locations to be determined by posted speed, to coincide with signage required as part of a County-wide review of existing posted speeds, to be completed in three phases over the next three years.

.Carried

### **Consent Items to be Received as Information**

Moved by – Councillor Cardy

Seconded by – Mayor Eddy

That the following consent items be received as information:

1. PW-14-25 – RFP 2-13 "Security / Scale House Services" – Contract Extension.
2. PW-14-28 – PWQ 3-13 "Municipal Hazardous Waste and Special Waste (MHSW) Event" – Contract Extension.
3. Ministry of the Environment – Mount Pleasant Drinking Water System – Drinking Water Works Permit.

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### **PW-14-29 – Speed Reductions on Various County of Brant Roads**

M. Tout, Director of Roads, reported that these recommendations follow the County-wide review of existing posted speed limits.

Moved by – Councillor Schmitt  
Seconded by – Councillor Cardy

That the Speed Limit By-law Number 182-05, Schedule J, be amended by reducing the following speed limits:

1. Alberton Road, between Thompson Road and Brant County / City of Hamilton boundary from 80km/h to 50km/h;
2. Thompson Road, between Lost Mile Road and Holditch School Road, from 80km/h to 70km/h;
3. Holditch School Road, between White Swan Road and Thompson Road, from 80km/h to 50km/h;
4. Holditch School Road, between Thompson Road and Book Road West / Ferguson Road, from 80km/h to 70km/h;
5. Book Road West, between Holditch School Road / Ferguson Road and Brant County / City of Hamilton boundary, from 80km/h to 70km/h; and
6. Adams Road, between Lynden Road and Johnson Road, from 80km/h to 60km/h.

.Carried

### **Update on Brant-Waterloo Road**

M. Tout, Director of Roads, reported on discussions with Township of North Dumfries Officials regarding upgrades to Brant Waterloo Road, east of Pinehurst Road. He noted a potential cost of \$45,000 to \$50,000 to proceed with the necessary engineering and survey work and a possible overall project cost of \$1,000,000. It was noted that there are no funds in the 2014 budget for this project. The Committee concurred that due to budget constraints, the County of Brant would not proceed with the pre-engineering/survey work for Brant Waterloo Road at this time.

### **Request for Upgrades to McKenzie Lane**

C. Compeau, General Manager of Public Works, reported on a request for upgrades submitted by Councillor Gatward in recognition of the substantial traffic that this laneway will be accommodating for the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Battle of Malcolm's Mills celebration. Discussion was held regarding the condition and layout of the laneway and it was agreed that options would be brought forward for consideration at the April meeting.

### **Other Business**

#### **LED Projects Bidding**

Councillor Cardy reported that his lighting company would be making a presentation to the Corporate Development Committee, regarding company information, capabilities and products. He noted that this company has a legal right to bid on projects, but he would have to declare a pecuniary interest and withdraw from any discussion and/or voting on such matters. Ms. Compeau advised that the proposals for streetlight conversion would likely be released shortly.

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**Matters Referred by Council**

**Presentation from John Anderson Re: Request for a Safer Intersection at Grand River Street South and Dumfries Street**

Ms. Compeau presented an aerial photograph of the area, noting an improvement in traffic movement since the “Signal Your Turn” signs were installed. In discussion, comments were made regarding the importance of maintaining traffic flow through this area. It was agreed that a meeting would be arranged between the Chair, staff and Mr. Anderson.

**General Manager’s Update**

C. Compeau, General Manager of Public Works updated Committee on the following:

- The Ontario Water Works Association / Ontario Municipal Water Association combined conference is scheduled for May 4 – 7, 2014 in London and involves excellent education and information sessions. All members of Council are encouraged to attend this event. Information on this will be included in the next Corporate Development Committee agenda package.
- An Emergency Management meeting is being held on Monday, March 17, 2014 in light of the potential for flooding in the area. She noted that enhancements in the delivery and dissemination of information are being considered.
- The Power Workers collective agreement expires April 30, 2014 and the County has received notice to bargain.

**In Camera**

With respect to the In Camera report PW-14-30 – Update to Wage Classifications, it was agreed that as no discussion on the matter is required, there is no need to go In Camera at this time.

Moved by – Mayor Eddy

Seconded by – Councillor Schmitt

That PW-14-30 “Update to Wage Classifications” be received as information.

.Carried

**Next Meeting and Adjournment**

The Committee adjourned at 10:05 a.m. to meet again on Tuesday, April 8, 2014, 9:00 a.m. at the County Administration Building, Warden’s Room.

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Secretary