

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF BONNECHERE VALLEY
MINUTES
COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY OCTOBER 4, 2022 3:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING AND VIA ZOOM CONFERENCING**

PRESENT **Mayor Jennifer Murphy
Councillor Merv Buckwald
Deputy Mayor Brent Patrick
Councillor Jack Roesner
Councillor Tim Schison
CAO Annette Gilchrist
Deputy CAO Sandra Barr**

REGRETS **None**

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CALL TO ORDER COMMITTEE MEETING

Chair, Tim Schison called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

MOVED BY Brent Patrick

THAT: the agenda be accepted as presented with the removal of Item #2 EGC Update, the addition of Item #3 Moving the Truth & Reconciliation Garden, and Item #4 Germania Club Request. Carried

PECUNIARY INTEREST OR GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED BY Jennifer Murphy

THAT: the Minutes of the Committee Meeting on September 20, 2022 be accepted as presented. Carried

DELEGATIONS

Ontario Winter Games Chair Peter Emon and General Manager Cindy Burwell

The Ontario Winter games have been held since 1970 and take place every two years. They are the largest multi-sport event in the province and feature over 3,000 athletes, coaches, managers, and officials. There are 24 different sporting events which highlight young up and coming athletes from ages 11 to 20. The games provide development and competitive opportunities for these young athletes and help prepare them for national and international competitions.

This will be a unique opportunity to showcase the beautiful Renfrew County region to the rest of Ontario, while fostering pride in our region as we celebrate together as a community.

The group would like a Township donation and assistance with promoting the Games on the Townships social media accounts, a list of business and volunteers in our community, the loan of some blank sandwich boards, the loan of any large propane heaters we have, and a half ton truck with a driver to deliver equipment etc. on the Thursday and Fridays of before each weekend of the games.

REPORTS

Water & Sewer Department

Daryl Verch, Water & Sewer Superintendent was not present. Report submitted.

- a) The Eganville Drinking Water System continues to operate in full compliance with all requirements;
- b) Staff are flushing and checking fire hydrants operations;
- c) Distribution lead samples were collected;
- d) Staff will begin draining the Water Tower on October 7, 2022 so that the new mixer can be installed and touch up painting done starting on October 10;

- e) Capital Controls installed the controls at the Water Tower for the new mixer;
- f) The Eganville Sewage System continues to operate in full compliance according to the Provincial Guidelines that are set out in the Certificate of Approval;
- g) All four Sewage Pumping Stations were spray washed and the grease and grit was taken to the landfill;
- h) Staff removed two geo-tubes from pads #2 and #3 and the digest sludge was sent to the landfill. They had been there since 2021; and
- i) Replacement of the water meters is scheduled to take place in November.

Water & Sewer Report Received.

Works & Waste Department

Jason Zohr, Works Superintendent was present and gave his report.

- a) Tranquility Bay – Jason Zohr and the group walked the area, construction will start in the spring;
- b) Sand Shed concrete work is complete and the rafters will start going on tomorrow;
- c) Hazardous Waste Depot closed for the season on September 24, 2022. Drain-all will come Friday to pick up all materials;
- d) Snow removal contract with John Reinert. Committee recommends that the Snow removal for the 2022/23 & 2023/24 winter seasons be awarded to John K Reinert, Sand & Gravel – Front End Loader \$85/hour; Tandem Dump Truck \$85/hour; Four Wheel Drive Plow \$85/hour;
- e) Old Firehall on John Street roof and painting is completed;
- f) The Waste Site projections from 2021 from Cambium was provided to Committee. At the end of 2021 there was 9 years of life for Snodrifters Waste Site and 43 years life remaining at the Ruby Road Waste Site.

Works Department Report Received.

Fire Department

Dave Murphy, Fire Chief, was present and gave his report.

- a) The department has had fifty-one calls for service in 2022;
- b) The recruiting process is ongoing. As a result of the Eganville Station 1 Open House and the orientation session put on by our training committee, the Department has several new recruits that have applied and are beginning the initial process;
- c) The department PPE (bunker gear) order was placed on an extended time frame for delivery. Ordered November 2021 and estimated delivery is December 2022. Other area Fire Departments have been consulted and apparently all are in the same situation;
- d) All apparatus and equipment remain service ready. Staff are continuing to renew and upgrade equipment when required;
- e) The department updated their thermal imaging cameras. The current equipment was seven years old, and the older equipment will compliment our more modern cameras. As with the Department's very modern drone thermal, this will assist in locating people and hot spots during a fire/rescue incident;
- f) Training Committee continues to maintain an active schedule;
- g) In person inspections and public assistance requests continue;
- h) The Ontario fire service grant towards certification has been applied for. Results will be brought forward at a future committee meeting;
- i) OFMEM Fire Prevention week starts on October 9;
- j) Fire prevention Officer/Inspector – Chief Murphy recommends that this position be considered as a part time employee in the future. Committee recommends that this item be brought forward for discussion for the 2023 budget.

Fire Department Report Received.

CORRESPONDENCE

(A) Correspondence "A"

- (i) AMO Communications Council Training
- (ii) AMO Communications Watchfile Sept 22 2022

(B) Correspondence "B"

- (i) Eganville & District Seniors - Arena Sign Fee Waive
- (ii) Kimberly Lehman - Animal Shelter Closure and Response
- (iii) EDMHA - Letter regarding Canteen and Response
- (iv) Request from the Legion for Remembrance Day Parade

(C) Correspondence "C"

Bi) Committee recommends waiving the arena sign fee for the Eganville & District Seniors

Biv) Committee recommends and approves the request regarding the Remembrance Day Parade

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- (1)** Mayor's Report – Jennifer Murphy updated Committee;
 - In the month of September the Mayor attended fifteen meetings and various community events on behalf of the Township of Bonnechere Valley and the County of Renfrew;
 - Ontario Winter Games are scheduled for February 2nd to 5th and February 9th to 12th, 2023;
 - Renfrew County VTAC has served over 60,000 people;
- (2)** Draft Agreement for Police Services from December 2022 to December 2024 – Committee recommends the agreement be brought forward to Council to be passed;
- (3)** Moving the Truth & Reconciliation Garden – Committee recommends that that Garden be moved into Centennial Park near the Bandshell along the Bonnechere River. Committee also recommends that the Horticultural Society and Recreation Manager be consulted. The garden will be moved in the spring;
- (4)** Germania Club Request for Donation – Committee recommends that the event be promoted on the Townships social media account and donated personally to the event.

ESTABLISH NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday October 18, 2022 at 3:00 pm

CONCLUSION

MOVED BY Jennifer Murphy

THAT: the meeting adjourn at 4:24 p.m.

Carried

Tim Schison, Chair

Annette Gilchrist, CAO