

MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN
ROAD COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – JUNE 7, 2022

Attending: Chairperson Councillor D. Stephens, Mayor R. Stephens, Councillors Diebolt, Johnston, Scott, Shaffer, and Tribinevicius, along with the CAO/Clerk, the Road Superintendent and two members of the public.

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

MOTION: R. Stephens and Shaffer

That the agenda be approved with the addition of an in camera item under the Municipal Act, section 239 (2) (d).....carried.

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

MOTION: Tribinevicius and Johnston

That the minutes of the last regular meeting of the Road Committee held on April 5, 2022 be approved.....carried.

There were no delegations/petitions.

Old Business: a. United Manitoulin Island Transportation-no new updates.

b. Speed reduction on Highway 551, from the north entering Mindemoya-no action currently.

c. Intersection-Highway 542/551-review of MTO response to inquiry of when the proposed work will be done at this site.

d. CMPS lay-by on Thorne Street-no work has commenced yet by the School Board.

e. Union Road Bridge – Tulloch Engineering Inspection report reviewed.

f. Condition of Highway 542-Miller Paving has the contract for partial reconstruction of sections of this roadway from MTO-work has not commenced yet.

g. Townline Road Bridge – Consultation with municipal lawyer reviewed regarding liability issues and Boundary Road agreement with Tehkummah. It is too late this year to prepare and send out an RFP for this bridge replacement but will be budgeted for in 2023.

MOTION: R. Stephens and Johnston

That we recommend to Council that the Community Development and Outreach Coordinator post an educational item regarding the Ministry of Transportation highways and MTO contact information on the municipal media platforms, so that the public can express any concerns they may have on the condition of Provincial Highways 542 and 551.....carried.

The speed radar sign statistics for Yonge Street, Cress Road and White Church Road were reviewed. The Road Committee asked that they be forwarded to the appropriate individuals.

MOTION: Shaffer and Johnston

That we recommend to Council that Central Manitoulin Lions Club be permitted to barricade off an area between Nixon Street east toward Laurie Lane in Mindemoya on Saturday July 2nd, between 4 and 6 p.m. to hold a Soap Box Derby as part of the Lion's Homecoming weekend festivities.....carried.

An email from Ms. Belinda Bartlett was reviewed by Committee requesting that the Road Superintendent monthly report not be presented verbally, but that it be required to be in writing. The Committee was not in agreement with this request and once again stated that the public has the right to attend any Committee or Council meeting to stay informed. As for the decision as to whether to tape meetings of Council and post on social media, this was considered by the Office and Administration Committee, but the committee decided at this time not to proceed with taping meetings.

An email from Mr. Ken Rautiainen regarding Tracy Road was reviewed. The Clerk will see that Mr. Rautiainen receives the budgetary list of road work for 2022.

MOTION: Shaffer and Tribinevicius

That we recommend to Council that the request from Mr. Neil Hadner for permission for him to do some work on Concession 10 in Carnarvon Township be granted, provided he understands that this is not an assumed municipal road and the municipality does not now and will not in the future maintain this concession line and further that he does this work at his own risk.....carried.

Mr. Julian Jurczynski requested that the speed limit be reduced on White Church Road. Council directed the Clerk to send Mr. Jurczynski the latest statistics from the Speed Radar sign for White Church Road to him and reconfirm what the Committee's previous decision was not to reduce the speed limit on the road as it is not warranted. The Road Superintendent will continue to monitor the road with the Speed Radar sign.

The Road Superintendent spoke to the committee regarding several potential budget overages. He was asked to provide either the Finance Committee or Office and Administration Committee with a summary of the areas of concern for further discussion.

MOTION: Shaffer and R. Stephens

That we recommend to Council that the year to date financial report for the Road Committee ending May 31, 2022 be approved.....carried.

The Road Superintendent gave his monthly verbal report on the following:

- The equipment auction for a snowplow held in Toronto was unsuccessful.
- The Spring break up was very rough on municipal roads this year.
- 2/3 of the Calcium has been applied to municipal roads as of this date.
- Tar and Chip application will commence on June 23/24th.
- The Road Department has carried out ditching in several locations this Spring.
- Reconstruction work on the south portion of Monument Road has commenced.
- Tulloch Engineering has begun the Bridge inspections for this year, report to follow.
- There are budget issues with cost overruns.

MOTION: R. Stephens and Shaffer

That we accept the Road Superintendents monthly report.....carried.

MOTION: Shaffer and Johnston

That we now go in camera to consider an issue under the Municipal Act, section 239 (2) (d).....carried.

MOTION: Diebolt and R. Stephens

That we now come out of in camera.....carried.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion made by Councillor Shaffer at 9:11 p.m.