

Public Works – December 7, 2015

4.1 Alex Kuthy re Measures to Increase Efforts to Reduce Material going to Landfills

-Alex has attended our office several times. He has an idea for incineration that he is bringing forward.

4.2 Cassandra Ferdinand respecting use of colloidal silver to treat sewage water

5.1 Public Bike Share Transit System Implementation Plan

-Update on SoBi bikes.

-7,300 active users, 750 bikes at 115 hubs

-60% of users said they were previously only once-a-month cyclists

-FCM has matching funds available for the grant program to serve low income and underserved neighbourhoods. HCF requires a Council report for the grant application.

5.2 Intersection Control List

-Nothing that seems contentious – one in Ward 10 at Federal and Worsley Cl. Pearson has done engagement of residents on.

5.3 Volunteer Committee Budget Submission – Cycling Committee

-\$10,000 for 2016 from the levy and one-time budget allocation of \$1000 from reserves be approved, which is \$2000 less than budget from 2015.

5.4 History of the Plans for Closure of Second Road West

-Outlines that in the Official Plan from 1989 Second Road West was to be closed, with a collector road running through what is now the Eramosa Karst.

-ROPA9 redesignated approximately 470 acres from rural to urban in 2001. In 2003 the Master plan study for Rymal Road began.

-The Karst was then designated and the collector road as proposed could not run through it.

-In 2006 the ROPA9 TMP recommended the constructing a new arterial road from the intersection of Stone Church and the RHVP ramp towards the south, crossing Rymal midway between Pritchard and Trinity Church. Upper Mount Albion was also recommended for closure at Rymal. This become impossible with the Karst designation.

-Staff identified the challenges the collector road cancellation in 2011, and the study was presented to committee in 2013. PW/Council direction included the closure of Upper Mount Albion, and the diversion of traffic through Pritchard Road. Traffic calming measures for Second Road West were approved.

-The “Safe on Second” group delegated in September to PW, and this report was the response to that delegation.

5.5 Status of High-Wattage Street Light Incentive as of December 2015

-Substantial performance ahead of Oct. 30 deadline for total of 10,319 streetlights.

-Cost was \$4.8M, \$700k less than estimated.

5.6 Cycling Committee Minutes

-Received Recreation Trails Master Plan presentation

-Having Council representation on committee discussed

-Building network and Councillor outreach – Charlton/Herkimer redesign in progress, Greenhill residents not supportive so not installing, Highland road will be complete Dec 2015, Road Governor’s outreach to Councillor needs to occur.

5.7 Bus Hoist Standardization

- Required Policy 14 to standardize purchase and installation of new hoists.
- Current ones 30 years old.

7.2 Confederation park Management Agreement

- Staff recommend that based on results of operational review, that we continue with Hamilton Conservation Authority as the operators.
- Accumulated deficit from 2014 - \$696,217 be covered from tax stabilization. (Cooler weather in 2014 resulted in deficit)
- Increase to budget of \$70k be approved and that Waterpark Reserve be established.
- That 2015 operating surplus of \$300k be transferred to new reserve, and that balance be maintained. Balance above to be used for capital improvements as outline in 10-year plan.

8.1 Creating Accessible Washrooms on the Hamilton Beach Front Trail

- Staff recommend that bathrooms at 1151 Beach Blvd add a bicycle rack to secure bikes and power-assisted mobility devices, and increase counter clearance and reduce height of soap and paper towels at a cost of \$5000 to \$10,000 from facilities operating account.

8.2 The Linc and RHVP Safety Review

- Staff recommend that short term safety options of be implemented now. (Trim Vegetation, install larger speed limit signs, upgrade guard rail ends, install speed feedback signs, add permanent raised pavement markings from Greenhill to QEW, add slippery when wet signs – total cost \$625,000)
- That medium and long term items be deferred until the completion of the TMP update. (Pavement friction testing, rumble strips, median barriers, end to end illumination – total cost \$11,265,000)
- That request be made to HPS to undertake regular speed and aggressive driving enforcement and report back to Council annually with findings.