

TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH ALGONQUIN
ROADS COMMITTEE MEETING – MINUTES

On Thursday, February 23, 2017 the Roads Committee held a meeting.

Council Present: Mayor Jane Dumas
Councillor Sandra Collins
Councillor Joe Florent, Chair
Councillor Dave Harper

Regrets: Councillor John Brown
Councillor Bill Rodnick
Councillor Richard Shalla

Township Staff Present: Holly Hayes, CAO/Clerk Treasurer
Dave Gatley, Works Superintendent
Tracy Cannon, Municipal Operations Clerk, *Recording Secretary*

Guest: Lou Freymond, Freymond Lumber
Peter Cybulski

Chair of the Roads Committee, Councillor Florent called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

ADDITIONS/AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

Unfinished Business - Closed session

New Business – Request to utilize an unopened road allowance

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

Moved by: J. Dumas

Seconded by: D. Harper

To adopt the agenda as prepared for the Roads Committee meeting of Thursday, February 23, 2017 as circulated and amended.

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Moved By: J. Dumas

Seconded by: S. Collins

That the Roads Committee move into a closed session to discuss litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board at 7:08 p.m.

Moved By: D. Harper

Seconded by: S. Collins

That the Road Committee adjourn the closed session at 7:24 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Reviewed and discussed the circulated written request from a resident to perform winter maintenance on Reids Lane. It was determined that in order for Council to consider undertaking the maintenance of a private road a proponent must submit a proposal for review as described in the Townships Road Assumption Policy. Staff was instructed to

- contact the resident and forward a copy of the Townships Road Assumption Policy.
- Lou Freymond of Freymond Lumber and Peter Cybulski were invited by the Committee to speak on behalf of their recent formal request to open and use a short section of unopened Township road allowance to assist with access to their property. The section of road allowance is located approximately 500 metres north of Reids Road and extends from the west side of Hwy. 523 approximately 155 metres to the west where it connects with an existing logging road located on Crown Land. The new access is required to relocate the existing logging roads access to Hwy. 523 that currently travels through private property. Mr. Freymond expressed that any revenue from the trees cut on the road allowance would be reimbursed to the Township. Mr. Freymond assured Council that they have permission from the MNRF to use and maintain the existing logging road as part of their Harvest License. Mr. Freymond informed Council that he has made request with the Ministry of Transportation for a new entrance to the road allowance from Hwy. 523 and is waiting for a response. Mr. Freymond expressed that the new entrance would remain as a permanent access to their property after the logging operation was finished and made request for a civic address sign to be located at Hwy. 523. Mr. Freymond also stated that the road would not be gated on public property and was not requesting any municipal maintenance of the road. Consensus was to grant Mr. Freymond permission to utilize the requested unopened road allowance and a resolution will be passed at the next regular Council meeting.
 - Winter maintenance was discussed and the amount of sand/salt being applied. It was suggested that Council consider removing Victoria Lake Road from the winter maintenance schedule as there is no full time residents that live within the Township limits and it has been observed that there is little to no traffic on the road in the winter months.
 - The new turnaround at the end of Paplinskie Road requires additional fill.

RECREATION

- D. Gatley, Works Superintendent updated Council on the estimated costs for a new and used generator for the Madawaska Complex. D. Gatley is waiting to hear back from the Electrical Engineering firm that was involved when the building was built.
- D. Gatley, Works Superintendent is currently investigating the replacement of the boiler system at the Lester Smith Building.

Moved by: J. Dumas

Seconded by: D. Harper

To adjourn the Roads Committee meeting of February 23, 2017 at 8:17 p.m.

Councillor Joe Florent/Chairperson

Tracy Cannon, Municipal Operations Clerk
Recording Secretary