



Owen Sound

**MINUTES
OPERATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, MAY 19TH, 2010
4:30 P.M. BASEMENT BOARD ROOM, CITY HALL**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillor Twaddle, Chair
Councillor McManaman
Councillor Pink
Robert Hope
Paul Foster

REGRETS: Glen Bellar
Chris Webb, Manager of Engineering Services
Barry Lewin, Airport Manager

STAFF PRESENT: John Johnston, Director of Operations
Matt Prentice, Water/Wastewater Superintendent
Heidi Jennen, Administrative Assistant

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:35 p.m.

2. DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

None.

3. ADDITIONAL ITEMS

John Johnston has one (1) additional item.

4. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None.

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

a) April 21st, 2010 Operations Advisory Committee Minutes

Moved by Paul Foster:

"That the Operations Advisory Committee approve the April 21st, 2010 Operations Advisory Committee meeting Minutes."

Carried unanimously.

b) May 12th, 2010 OAC Public meeting regarding Traffic Concerns on Alpha Street, Moore's Hill and 15th Street 'A' and 15th Street 'B' East meeting minutes

Moved by Councillor Pink:

"That the Operations Advisory Committee approve the May 12th, 2010 OAC Public Meeting regarding Traffic Concerns on Alpha Street, Moore's Hill and 15th Street 'A' and 15th Street 'B' East meeting minutes.

Carried unanimously.

6. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FOR WHICH DIRECTION OF THE COMMITTEE IS REQUIRED

a) 7th Avenue West watermain upgrading – 695 8th Street West

Bill and Freda Harwood spoke to the Committee regarding their water concerns at 695 8th Street West. Their primary concern is the safety of their water particularly first thing in the morning. The water was tested approximately 18 months ago by City Staff who found no concern at that time with the test results. The Harwoods feel that the water has progressively gotten worse over the years. The City will take another water sample at 695 8th Street West.

The water system in the area is aged and resulting in pressure and flow issues. A watermain size increase and looping at an estimated cost of \$75,000 is expected to improve the existing conditions.

The Director of Operations advised the Harwoods that the City has prioritized the upgrading of the watermain on 7th Avenue West but because of budget restraints and another higher priority project this project has been put on hold.

Moved by Councillor Mcmanaman:

"THAT the Operations Advisory Committee recommend to Council that the watermain looping for 7th Avenue West, specifically 695 8th Street West, become the top priority for the 2011 watermain rehabilitation program."

Carried unanimously

b) Letter from HDR iTRANS regarding a work plan and cost estimate to review Downtown Pedestrian Crossings

HDR iTRANS has prepared a cost estimate to undertake a review in the mid-block pedestrian crosswalks on 2nd Avenue East. The cost for HDR iTRANS to carry out this work is \$7,500.

Moved by Councillor Pink:

"THAT the Operations Advisory Committee receive the report from HDR iTRANS regarding a work plan and cost estimate to review Downtown Pedestrian Crossings and further;

THAT the report prepared by the Traffic Coordinator for the Operations Advisory Committee regarding the mid-block pedestrian crosswalk on 2nd Avenue East be brought forward again for discussion with the Committee."

Carried unanimously

7. REPORTS AND MATTERS TABLED

a) Billy Bishop Regional Airport Report for the Month of March, 2010

The Director of Operations advised the Committee that the proposed weather station has been postponed for a year.

Moved by Ian Boddy:

"THAT the Operations Advisory Committee receive a report dated May 7th, 2010 from the Airport Manager regarding activities at the Owen Sound Billy Bishop Regional Airport for the month of April, 2010."

Carried unanimously.

b) MOE inspection report, Owen Sound Water System

The Water/Waste Water Superintendent briefly explained the MOE Inspection report for the Owen Sound Water System. Of note is two adverse water quality incidents related to low chlorine residual in the distribution system. Staff will be providing a written response to the MOE indicating how the City is intending to alleviate the low chlorine residual by June 14th, 2010. It was noted that the final inspection rating came in at 96.47%. Committee asked the Water Wastewater Superintendent to provide the Provincial average in final inspection ratings.

The Water Waste Water Superintendent indicated that to date three (3) lead services have been replaced this year.

Moved by Councillor McManaman:

"THAT the Operations Advisory Committee receive the Ministry of the Environment May 2010 Drinking Water System Inspection Report, dated May 11th, 2010 as well as the associated Memorandum prepared by the Water and Wastewater Superintendent dated May 12th, 2010 and recommends Council approval of same."

Carried unanimously.

c) 2010 Sanitary Sewer Collection System Progress and Monitoring Report

The Water Waste Water Superintendent summarized the sanitary sewer collection system progress and monitoring report.

Moved by Paul Foster:

"THAT the Operations Advisory Committee receive the May 2010 Sanitary Sewer Collection System Progress and Monitoring Report (Genivar), dated May 14th, 2010 as well as the associated Memorandum prepared by the Water and Wastewater Superintendent dated May 14th, 2010 and recommends Council approval of the same."

Carried unanimously.

d) Traffic Operational Concerns – 2010 Capital Projects and Special Events

The Manager of Engineering Services has prepared a list of potential traffic issues that may arise in 2010 and actions that are being implemented for projects such as 9th Street bridge replacement, 6th Street East from 6th Avenue to 7th Avenue reconstruction, 10th Street East/9th Avenue East intersection upgrading, 2nd Avenue East from 1st Street to 3rd Street A West resurfacing and the Eddy Sargeant Parkway from 14th Street West to the bridge resurfacing.

Moved by Councillor McManaman:

“THAT the Operations Advisory Committee receives the foregoing report from the Manager of Engineering Services as information and further;

THAT the Operations Advisory Committee recommends that 8th Street West from 2nd Avenue to 3rd Avenue West have on-street parking temporarily prohibited to allow greater capacity for east-west bound vehicles anticipated to be using this block due to the closure of 9th Street West in the 100 block. Parking for residents on this street to be provided on 2nd Avenue West, south of 8th Street West subject to By-Law/Parking approval and further;

THAT the issue of by-pass signage at Rockford and Springmount be tabled until various affected parties such as the DIA and Tourism be approached for their consideration on wording of detour notices alerting motorists who are not planning to stop within the City of possible delays during construction.”

Carried unanimously.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

Outreach Ministries request the City eliminates water and sewage costs to 720 2nd Avenue East and 748 2nd Avenue East

Outreach Ministries has approached the City asking them to consider waiving water and sewage costs at their 720 2nd Avenue East and 748 2nd Avenue East locations. The 2009 water and sewage expenses for both properties was \$1,767.71.

Moved by Councillor Pink:

“THAT the Operations Advisory Committee receive the letter from the Outreach Ministry requesting the City to absorb the water and sewage costs for their properties at 720 2nd Avenue East and 748 2nd Avenue East.”

Carried unanimously.

9. IN CAMERA AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Pink:

“That the Operations Advisory Committee now move ‘In Camera’ to discuss advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including

communications necessary for that purpose.

Carried unanimously.

10. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED WHICH IS PRESENTED FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE COMMITTEE

- a) Email from Matt Prentice dated May 14th, 2010 regarding Update for DWQMS Licensing Program and Lead Relief Application

Moved by Councillor McManaman:

“THAT the Operations Advisory Committee receives the correspondence regarding update for DWQMS Licensing Program and Lead Relief Application dated May 14th, 2010 from Matt Prentice.”

Carried unanimously.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.