

ROADS SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES (RSC)

May 16, 2022 – 1:00 pm / Zoom

Present: Brian Whitney - Chair

Cheryl Russel - Vice-Chair

Yvonne Graf

John Willmetts - Director of Public Works

Roseann Knechtel - Secretary

Absent: Ken Cufaro

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:01 pm.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Whitney Seconded by Russel

THAT the agenda be approved as amended to include item 6.4 Committee Mandate.

CARRIED.

3. Approval of Past Minutes

Moved by Russel Seconded by Whitney

THAT the minutes of the February 14, 2022 meeting be approved.

CARRIED.

4. Discussion Arising Out of the Minutes - NONE

5. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

Chair Whitney stated that if any member had a disclosure of pecuniary interest that they could declare now or at any time of the meeting.

6. Public Works

The Director of Public Works, John Willmetts, provided a verbal update on the purchase of traffic dampening signage.

6.1 Recommended Areas for Paid Duty

Committee members advised there are no further areas to be identified at this time.

6.2 Public Awareness and Education

a) Social Media Speeding Complaints

Members discussed the Township's social media presence and the creation of a Road Safety Education Package for distribution at the Primrose Elementary School.

Direction was given to the Secretary to develop an education package for distribution in consultation with the OPP.

6.3 Safety Items, Programs and Projects

a) Wildlife Collision

Members discussed the frequency of wildlife collisions in Mulmur. Members reviewed draft questions and information for inclusion in the October Newsletter.

Members are to forward additional questions and answers to the Secretary for consideration at the next meeting.

b) Canada Road Safety Week: May 17-23, 2022

Members reviewed the promotional materials and OPP news release for Canada Road Safety Week. Members supported education and promotion through the Township's social media channels.

c) Sight Lines Discussion

Member discussed sight lines and the improvements made through the purchase of a Township brusher. Members confirmed a decrease in complaints.

6.4 Committee Mandate

The Secretary advised the Committee of the direction from Council to bring forward information for consideration on the inclusion of Community Safety in addition to the Road Safety mandate. Members were in support of the change and discussed possible mandate items including theft, property crimes, neighbourhood watch, personal safety and community/neighbour relations.

Moved by Russel Seconded by Graf

THAT the Roads Safety Committee support the transition from a Roads Safety Committee to a Community Safety Committee;

AND THAT the Committee recommend Council defer amending the Roads Safety Committee Terms of Reference until the new term of Council.

CARRIED.

7. Information Items

- 7.1 Council Motion: Traffic Dampening Signage
- 7.2 OPP 1st Quarter Report
- 7.3 Traffic Monitoring Results: County Road 21

Members discussed statistics from the 1st Quarter OPP Report and Traffic Monitoring results. Members agreed locals were the worst offenders and that all residents need to be invested in addressing speed within the Township.

- 8. Items for Future Meetings
- 8.1 Children's Education Package
- 8.2 Cyclist and Pedestrian Safety
- 8.3 October Wildlife Collision Quiz
- 9. Adjournment

Moved by Russel Seconded by Graf

THAT we do now adjourn at 2:22 PM and agree to meet again on August 8, 2022 at 1:00 PM or at the call of the Chair.

CARRIED.