



Staff Report

Report Title: Transportation July 2023

Prepared By: John Yungblut, C.E.T., Director of Public Works

Department: Public Works

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Attachments:

Recommendation:

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information, Report Number PW-2023-07-39, prepared by John Yungblut, Director of Public Works

AND approves the temporary road closure requests from the Ripley Agricultural Society.

AND FURTHER declares the 2003 F-250 Pickup truck to be surplus.

Background:

North Point Clark Drainage Master Plan

Township staff, along with our engineers, BM Ross and Associates, have initiated a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for the northern portion of Point Clark between Clark Creek and the Pine River.

Staff have distributed notices to all property owners in the study area, advertised the project in local newspapers and launched the project on haveyoursayhk.ca. The initial study period concluded on June 9, 2023.

Fifteen responses were received from ratepayers in the area, along with comments from other municipalities, government agencies and First Nations. A summary of all the responses is attached to this report.

H38 (Bell Bridge) Rehabilitation

The tender for the rehabilitation of Structure H38, also known as Bell Bridge, was awarded to AJN Builders on March 20, 2023. Construction began on May 1st. The

Contractor has installed the new expansion joints and they poured the approach slabs during the week of June 26th.

Tanglewood/Ridgewood Reconstruction (Point Clark)

The reconstruction of Tanglewood Dr., Ridgewood Rd and Jardine Pl and the construction of the Menomoni-Sunset Pl walking path was awarded to Omega Contractors Inc. on April 17, 2023. The completion date for this year’s work is Oct. 20, 2023 and topcoat paving is Sept. 20, 2024.

Asphalt Paving

The paving of hot mix asphalt on Con. 10 (Sideroad 20 to Bruce Road 7), Lake Range Dr. (Ashfield-Huron Townline to 200m north) and Finlay St. was awarded to Lavis Contracting Co. Ltd. on May 15, 2023.

Culvert Replacements

Public Works have identified six culvert locations that are proposed for replacement this year. A 900mm dia. culvert on Con. 10 was replaced in May, a 450mm dia. culvert on Sideroad 20N between Bruce Road 6 and Con. 10 was replaced on June 21st and a 600mm dia. culvert on Hayes Lake Ave at the Bushell St. intersection was replaced on June 27th.

Ripley Fall Fair Temporary Road Closures

The Ripley Agricultural Society has requested road closures for the following sections in Ripley on Sept. 30, 2023 from approximately 11:00am to 1:00pm:

- Park St. from the soccer fields to McGill St.
- McGill St. from Park St. to Tain St.
- Tain St. from McGill St. to Huron St.

The road closure also includes Huron St. and Queen St., which will need County approval.

Pickup Trucks

Township issued a tender through our online bidding platform for the purchase of a new ½ tonne pickup truck to be used by the Building Department. Three bids were received, although, Staff were unable to consider one of the bids because the vendor did not register on the online bidding website.

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Vehicle</u>	<u>Amount (not incl. HST)</u>
Blue Mountain Chrysler	Ram 1500	\$74,194.00
Finch Chevrolet Cadillac Buick GMC	GMC Sierra 1500	\$65,465.50

Township staff accepted the bid from Finch Chevrolet and the truck was delivered on June 26th.

Discussion:

North Point Clark Drainage Master Plan

Township staff were aware of most of the drainage issues that were brought forward by ratepayers. Most of the other responses were concerning the impact to the environment and future development.

The next steps are to dig a set of test holes in various locations to assess the existing soil conditions, install a weather station near the Point Clark Community Centre and host a public open house this summer. A date for the open house has not been determined at this time.

H38 (Bell Bridge) Rehabilitation

Construction is now one week ahead of schedule and the Contractor is confident that they will have the bridge open to traffic by July 24th.

Tanglewood/Ridgewood Reconstruction (Point Clark)

Township staff have been informed that the anticipated start date for the reconstruction of Tanglewood, Ridgewood and Jardine is July 10th with the walking path likely being completed later this summer. EPCOR began relocating the gas mains on June 19th and they are expected to be completed before the roadwork is scheduled to begin.

All ratepayers in the vicinity of these projects have been notified.

Asphalt Paving

The pulverizing of Con. 10 is now scheduled for July 4th and paving is scheduled for late August.

Topcoat paving of Finlay St. is expected to be completed by mid July.

Culvert Replacements

The next failed culvert that is to be replaced is on Button St.

Pickup Truck Transfers

The arrival of the 2019 Chevrolet pickup that is being using by the Fire Chief has resulted in the following vehicle transfers within the Township.

<u>Vehicle</u>	<u>Transferred From</u>	<u>Transferred To</u>
2019 Chevrolet 1500	New purchase	Fire Department
2011 Chevrolet 1500	Fire Department	Community Service
2001 F-150	Community Services	Huron Landfill
2003 F-250	Huron Landfill	Surplus
2023 GMC 1500	New purchase	Building/By-law Department
2009 F-150	Building Department	Community Services

The 2003 F-250 is in poor condition and Staff have elected to not invest in any more repairs nor attempt to sell it as an operable vehicle. Instead, the Fire Department are planning to use it for training purposes before it is sold for scrap value.

Financial Impacts

The North Point Clark Drainage Master Plan, Bell Bridge Rehabilitation, Tanglewood/Ridgewood Reconstruction, asphalt paving is included in the 2023 Capital Budget. Small diameter culvert replacements are included in the Operating Budget. The 2023 Capital Budget allocated \$115,000 for pickup truck purchases and with the purchase of the 2023 GMC, an additional \$10,000 will need to be transferred to the 2023 budget from equipment reserves.

Strategic Alignment / Link:

We are an accessible community by being open and transparent.

We are a prosperous community that continues to grow in a sustainable manner by investing in infrastructure.

Respectfully Submitted By:

John Yungblut, Director of Public Works

Approved By:

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer