

VILLAGE OF NEW MINAS
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

NOV 1, 2006

7:00 p.m.

The Village of New Minas Transportation Advisory Committee met on November 1, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Civic Centre.

In Attendance:

Chair Dean Hatt
Vice-Chair Dale Pineo
Village Commissioner Dave Chaulk
Member Pat Saulnier
Village Engineer Doug Seamone
Superintendent of Public Works Peter Pothier
Clerk Treasurer Terry Silver

Regrets:

Member Gordon Silver

Also in Attendance:

Ms. Pam Hill, David Morse's Office

CALL TO ORDER – Chair Dean Hatt

Chair Hatt called the meeting to order, and welcomed everyone.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – November 1, 2006

It was moved by Vice-Chair Pineo, seconded by D. Chaulk, that the Agenda for the November 1, 2006 meeting be approved as presented. MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Regular Monthly Meeting, Sept 14, 2006

It was moved by D. Chaulk, seconded by Vice-Chair Pineo, that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 14, 2006 be approved as circulated. MOTION CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

(a) Transportation Study Update – Doug Seamone

Doug Seamone presented the Draft Transportation Study. Items were discussed and Doug stated that the final draft should be ready for the December meeting, as well as a video. The following items were discussed:

- Traffic congestion problems seem to occur eastbound with local traffic being the heaviest.
- Traffic signals have been co-coordinated as well as possible. Changing traffic signal lights is extremely costly and DOTPW likely won't be doing any major changes in that regard.
- G. Silver's suggestion for a cul de sac on Aalders Avenue North is being considered in the final draft. RCMP have indicated that this option may be the only feasible one for the traffic issues.
- Traffic Counts on Aalders Avenue North indicated that the number of vehicles on this street were not excessive; however, counts indicate that speed is frequently an issue.

(b) Aalders Avenue – Letter from David Etter

Chair Hatt read a letter from David Etter in which Mr. Etter apologized for disruptive behavior at the September 19, 2006 TAC meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

(a) Sidewalks: TAC – Gordon Silver

The Clerk Treasurer relayed a message to the Committee from member Gordon Silver who suggested that sidewalk construction and maintenance issues be first of all dealt with at this Committee, with recommendations made to the Commission. This would streamline the process somewhat for the Commission. This Committee felt this would be a good idea.

The Clerk Treasurer suggested, in this same light, that Sewage Collection and Treatment could also be dealt with at this Committee, since Transportation Advisory could also be Transportation and Public Works.

The Committee disagreed with this statement, but recommended that this item be considered by the Village Commission to be part of the Water Commission's responsibility.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD

ADJOURNMENT

On Motion of Vice-Chair Pineo, seconded by P. Saulnier, the meeting adjourned.

Dean Hatt, Chair

Terry Silver, Clerk Treasurer