

**TOWN OF GRANDE CACHE**  
**COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE**  
**Tuesday, March 6, 2007 at 12:00 noon**  
**Council Chambers**

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**Present:** Councillor Gordon Frentz (Chair)  
Councillor Vic Beland  
Councillor Terry Coray  
Darren Ottaway, Chief Administrative Officer (12:15 pm)  
Len McLeod, Director of Public Works/Fire Chief  
Robert Wiseman, Public Works Foreman  
Jamey Budd, By-Law Enforcement Officer  
Lisa Brown, Executive Assistant

**Regrets:** None

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

Councillor Frentz, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 11:58 pm.

**2.0 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Additions to the agenda: 4.1 Storm Sewer at intersection of Hoppe and Shand; and 4.2 Pothole Repairs.

The agenda for the Community Infrastructure Committee meeting was accepted as amended.

**3.0 DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS, CORRESPONDENCE AND/OR PRESENTATIONS**

**3.1 Public Works Report**

Len McLeod, Director of Public Works, gave a verbal overview of the written report submitted to the Committee, highlighting the following:

- completed crew projects
- equipment maintenance
- administration
- airport
- upcoming activities
- utility plant
- new landfill hours

Discussion on equipment for the Public Works department.

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**ACTION: Committee directed L. McLeod to research companies who use epoxy-based paint and obtain pricing for painting clarifier parts, and provide the Committee with recommendations.**

Discussion on road overlay project. L. McLeod will be meeting with EXH regarding their evaluation on what road work needs to be done.

D. Ottaway explained that several complaints from residents have been received regarding the bins for recycling. He explained the current problem with the contractor, and said Administration will be working on obtaining a new contractor, as this contract expires in April.

D. Ottaway told the Committee he spoke with the Warden from Grande Cache Institution regarding the sewer line issue. The Institution is planning to install a grinder on their line in the near future. They also discussed providing labour on the 'work release programs' for assistance with the Town's beautification project.

**a) Airport Closure Report**

D. Ottaway explained that the Office has received several complaints regarding airport closures. He said he met with T. Craven to discuss the problem of whenever we had a snowfall, the airport closed. He said that we are classed as an aerodrome, not an airport, and we do not have the authority to close down. Our responsibility is to report conditions to Nav Canada, and pilots determine whether to land. L. McLeod spoke to Transport Canada to clarify our responsibilities, and was told to report to Nav Canada any changes in conditions. He reported that the equipment at the airport is old, and will be looking into the purchase of a new brush attachment for the loader. He estimated costs for a 10' brush attachment at \$13,000. D. Ottaway explained this item is included in the next budget. Councillor Frenz asked if government funding is available for this type of expense. There was a discussion on airport operations.

**3.2 Fire Department Report**

L. McLeod gave a verbal report of the department's activities and handed out a stat sheet for the month of January.

L. McLeod asked for permission to solicit oil companies for donations towards the purchase of a light rescue unit. He explained to the Committee that when the fire department responds to motor vehicles accidents, they use the fire truck. By purchasing a smaller unit, they do not have to send as many people and will also alleviate wear and tear on the large truck. The reason for soliciting the oil companies is that most of the calls are on the trunk road and involve oil industry vehicles.

Councillor Coray asked if this type of unit will cause conflict with the local EMS companies. L. McLeod explained that these companies provide first aid services at lease sites, whereas the new unit for the fire department is for responding to motor

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vehicle accidents. D. Ottaway asked if the MD was contacted to provide the unit, since the calls are outside of Town limits and within the MD. Councillor Frentz asked if more staff would be required. L. McLeod said he has spoken with the MD, and no additional staff would be required.

**ACTION: Committee directed Administration to approach the MD for funding. L. McLeod will draft a proposal to submit to the MD for funding of a rescue unit to respond to motor vehicle accidents.**

### **3.3 By-Law Report**

J. Budd gave a verbal overview of his written report, including the following:

- parking offences
- assist RCMP on calls
- dog impoundments/incidents

Discussion regarding 'dangerous dog' policies. D. Ottaway told the Committee that any further incidents with any dogs will now fall under the new Animal Control By-Law, and will be handled appropriately.

## **4. NEW BUSINESS**

### **4.1 Storm Sewer at Intersection of Hoppe and Shand**

Councillor Beland asked of the possibility of having a storm sewer installed on this corner. He said during spring melting a large pool of water gathers there. L. McLeod said he will investigate further, but there are no nearby drains in that area. Councillor Coray asked if the new plans for that area will alleviate this problem. L. McLeod will provide information to the Committee regarding this item.

### **4.2 Pothole Repairs**

Councillor Frentz expressed concern with the large potholes forming on Hoppe Avenue in front of the Rec Centre and school. R. Wiseman said that once the weather improves, no snow or rain for a couple of days, the crews will start working by using cold fill.

## **5. OLD BUSINESS**

None

**6. NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 3, 2007 at 12:00 noon in the Council Chambers.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

The Community Infrastructure Committee meeting adjourned at 1:01 pm.