

Trent Lakes Council Meeting

Tuesday, September 21, 2021

County of Peterborough ORV(Off-Road Vehicle) study –

Regulatory Framework

Effective January 1, 2021, ORVs allowed on all Township roads • Can pass by-laws to restrict or prohibit ORV access on some or all roads Change in regulation did not affect County roads • ORVs cannot be operated unless permitted by by-law

Presently consulting with Lower-Tier Municipalities, First Nations and Public consultation

3 alternatives - Allow ORV Use on All County Roads Allow ORV Use on Select County Roads
(Network) Do Not Allow ORV Use on All County Roads

-Issues under Review

Extent and configuration of network

State of County Road shoulders

Absence of signage, pavement marking and roadside safety standards/guidelines

Risk mitigation and insurance

Restrictions and enforcement

Financial impacts for County and lower-tier municipalities

Next Steps

Complete lower-tier municipal council presentations (Aug to Sep 2021) Conduct online public consultation (Summer/Fall 2021) Develop strategy based on feedback received Present recommended strategy to TMP Steering Committee and County Council (Fall 2021)

Armstrong question – What are the Highway Traffic Act regulations regarding ORV – clarify does driver have to drive on the shoulder of the road according to the Highway Act. Yes, you are correct you must drive on the shoulder where possible providing not a problem to safety to the driver.

Armstrong – on the 507 there are zero shoulders. You can't walk on it You can't walk the dog . Shoulders are a big consideration.

Comment was acknowledged and is certainly something that is being taken into consideration.

Lambhead – According to your map it looks like almost all roads are being considered.

Within the scope of our capital construction program, where road rehabilitation is happening it is our practice to pave road shoulder to full width. Purpose is to pave shoulder to provide active transportation – walking, biking and ORV's.

Clarkson – Where is the liability when they are not to be on the road and yet they are.

Response – The question will be who is obeying the law. Through the County we manage and maintain our roads according to certain standards and always referring to design standards which is first line of defense.

Clarkson – Did everyone understand that? I think it means you are darned if you do and darned if you don't.

Report accepted.

Peterborough Animal Care Project –

Asking for a donation to the Peterborough Animal Care Center.

There is currently no facility like this in Ontario. The Peterborough Animal Care Centre will be the first-of-its-kind. The Ontario SPCA chose Peterborough as the site for its Provincial Dog Rehabilitation Centre because we are a vibrant, growing community that is centrally located in the province and near Highways 115, 407, and 401. The expanded Peterborough Airport that supports large aircraft also offers a strong partnership model in facilitating fly-in transfers of dogs from Northern and remote communities. This and so much more is why we're proud to be building this transformational centre.

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Having a Spay/Neuter Clinic on-site will allow us to spay/neuter up to 25 shelter animals per day (over 5,000 per year) rather than the 4-5 animals we typically spay/neuter each week currently. Our cost to spay or neuter your pet will range from \$85 to \$200, depending on the gender and size of your pet.

new centre will also be home to the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society's provincial Dog Rehabilitation Centre. This unique Centre will specialize in rehabilitating dogs that need therapy and additional support before they are ready for adoption.

have received over \$7,500,000 in pledges towards our new Centre. This does not include the over \$500,000 in in-kind contributions we have confirmed and ongoing conversations with prospective donors.

Asking Trent Lakes for \$50,000

Questions

Armstrong – What is the total estimated cost of the project? Right at \$10,000, 000 Have raised 80%

What is your fundraising strategy? Yes, we are asking for donations, grants and foundation support in all facets throughout the entire province.

Lambshead – what is the location of the building. 1999 Technology Drive. Right at the end of hwy 7 and Television Road

OSPCA will be operating in the building and taking over 26% of costs.

Armstrong – Motion to receive.

Lambshead – pass on to some of our Ratepayers to get ideas. Second to receive

Presentation received.

Administration – Lynn Holtz – Dock at Ode’naang Park

Direction needed from Council re dock at Ode’naang and how it will be financed including liability ,insurance ,and maintenance.

Tent Lakes received approval in September for dock. Annual license would be necessary and fee amount would be dependent on the use of the dock. Parks Canada says it would be around \$200.

Franzen suggests that we refer to Economic Development. Talking at one time about having a boat that would use it. That boat has moved on to another lake. The consideration would be to move on in the hopes that another company would use the dock.

Armstrong – we don’t know how big a dock, what kind of dock, purpose of dock? Inclined to agree with Councilor Franzen. Defer to Economic Development. Time available on the permit so there is time to go back to Economic Development to get more information. Is the permit for a specific size boat and dock?

Holtz - Yes, 10x 60 floating dock. Approval is based on this size.

Clarkson – If it is built to size that we have now it will accommodate anything needed in another time.

Armstrong – what is the cost for this size of dock?

Holtz – no specific pricing but was estimated to be around \$40,000

Franzen – Think that we are looking at between \$80,00- to \$100,000

Lambshead – sign permit and send back and get costing from Economic Development Committee.

Armstrong – Move that council receives report and council approves signing back the permit and further that this be an item included in 2022 budget preparations. Seconded and passed.

Environmental Monitoring

That Council receives the report from the Deputy Clerk and approve awarding RFP-02-2021 for Environmental Monitoring of Waste Disposal Sites to Cambium Inc. Financial Implications: \$117,879.02 (\$ 115,840.00 plus HST adjusted to reflect actuals) over a two year term. This amount is inclusive of the costs for this service for both 2022 and 2023. Environmental monitoring of waste disposal sites is budgeted for annually within the Public Works operating budget.

Armstrong – what was the cost of this contract last time. \$53,678 for a single year.

Armstrong moves to receive report. Motion carried.

Notices of Motion

Armstrong – Motion to reconsider is an extraordinary motion. This has not been done during our term. Should only be approved if there is new information not just because the outcome is not popular.. Thinks that it is very dangerous to reconsider council decisions.

Request for reconsideration of motion – carried 2 to three

Deputy Mayor Windover - That Council reconsider the motion regarding Council Remuneration, identified as R2021-550, being:

Whereas Trent Lakes Council remuneration is below the threshold for attracting good candidates for Council positions; and

Whereas Council has gone backwards in the last few years by removing the per diem for additional Council meetings and the one-third income tax exemption; and

Whereas people who are still working and therefore in touch with municipal operations cannot afford to work for these wages;

Therefore that Council direct staff to hold a public meeting to consider an increase to Trent Lakes Council remuneration; and further

That a copy of this resolution be sent to Peterborough County Council for their information.

Seconded by Clarkson

Franzen – Have we had problems attracting good candidates in the past. Clarkson says yes.

Franzen responds – I think that is an opinion.

Clarkson stated that the average person that has been retired for a time tends to become centered on their future but we also need people that are still working. Needs to be financially attractive.

Franzen – we do have working people on this council. It is not a problem now. How could a person who is working from 9 to 5 be a councilor when there are external meetings at times that would be during working time.

Armstrong – There is a consultant hired by County to look at compensation for councilors. Part of that study is to interview councillors. We voted to support the County. I believe that this decision has already been made.

Clarkson – disagreed.

Armstrong suggests waiting until County 's study has been concluded.

Lambhead agrees based on County's study.

Teggart – has had a couple conversations with those that are doing review. We are part of the review.

There is a promise to have it by the end of the year.

Clarkson called for a vote as to whether they accept Deputy Mayor Windover's motion.

Motion did not carry.

Deputy Mayor Windover – That council reconsider fireworks ban

Therefore that Council direct staff to prepare a report on completely banning individuals setting off of fireworks in Trent Lakes and to investigate supervised community events with a permit from the Municipality.

Spoke to use of fireworks.

He withdraws motion. NO reason for by-law if can not be enforced.

Armstrong - In eight months last year there were three registered complaints and at this time there are no registered complaints. No one wants to put their name to a complaint. That does not support hiring another by-law officer.

Meeting adjourned.