

TOWNSHIP OF O'CONNOR – MINUTES BUDGET MEETING – APRIL 8, 2013

Minutes of the Road Department budget meeting held on Monday, April 8, 2013 at 6 p.m. in the Council chambers.

Present: Councillors: Garbutt, Racicot, Vezina
Clerk-Treasurer Buob

Visitors: Leadhand Kelly Johnson

Absent: Mayor Nelson, Councillor Loan

Acting Mayor Vezina called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

Mr. Johnson, Leadhand, was welcomed to the table. The draft #1 Road Department budget was reviewed. Items were discussed line by line. The grader equipment maintenance expenses were discussed. Mr. Johnson noted that the grader is in need of four rear tires before next winter. Prices of brand new and recaps were discussed. Mr. Johnson currently has a lead on four tires which are almost brand new but would need to be purchased as soon as possible or they will be sold. Council agreed that this would be the best deal and gave Mr. Johnson permission to purchase the tires as soon as possible before they are sold. Township road signs were discussed. Mr. Johnson informed Council that there are still yield signs on a few of the Township roads and recently there was an accident at one of these intersections. Mr. Johnson suggested that Council look into possibly changing these signs to stop signs. Council agreed that this should be done and a by-law will be drafted for another meeting to have these changed. The 2013 road projects and bridge repairs were discussed, including the Federal Gas Tax projects. An application for funding for the replacement of Bridge #5 on Broome Road will be submitted April 9th. As part of the process a pre-design report had to be completed without knowing if the project will be approved and the full cost of this report is currently included in the budget. If the project is approved or denied prior to our final budget approval Council will determine which projects will be approved and included in the budget at that time.

Final numbers will be approved upon the completion of the full budget.

The Five Year Road Plan was briefly discussed. The projects included in the plan for 2013 have been included in this draft budget. With the application being submitted for the replacement of Bridge #5 on Broome road, which was originally scheduled as a 2016 project unless funding became available, future plans may change therefore a full Five Year Road Plan has not been prepared at this time.

Council thanked Mr. Johnson for presenting his budget and it was

1. Moved by G. Garbutt
Seconded by Bishop Racicot

THAT THE BUDGET MEETING ADJOURN TO THE COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2013 AT 7:00 P.M.

TIME BEING: 6:55 P.M.

Carried

Mayor

Clerk-Treasurer