

TOWNSHIP OF O'CONNOR - NOTES  
TOWNSHIP INSPECTION SEPTEMBER 19, 2014

Notes of the Township inspection held on Friday, September 19, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. starting at the municipal building.

Present: Mayor Nelson  
Councillors: Racicot, Vezina  
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Racicot  
Leadhand K. Johnson

Absent: Councillors: Gwen Garbutt, Jerry Loan

Mayor Nelson called the meeting to order and the Township Inspection began at 8:35 a.m.

The brushing job on Connolly Road was looked at and Council were pleased with the result. The guardrail replacement that was done in 2013 on Sitch Road was looked at and the culvert replaced in 2006 was also inspected by Council. No issues were found. Earl Road had been graded the week before and looked good and Allan Road was also graded this summer. One mile of Sitch Road has been resurfaced from Earl Road to Main Street.

It was commented that the hill sign on Blaikie Road needs to be replaced and a winding road sign should be installed. Leadhand Johnson will look into this. The Blaikie Road Bridge was also inspected by Council and no issues were brought forward.

The Smith Road Bridge was inspected. The deck on the bridge had been replaced in 2012. There were signs of someone spinning their tires and creating an indent in the decking. It was also noted that the southwest corner of the bridge showed signs of erosion that needed to be address. Leadhand Johnson contacted the road employee to look into the issue right away.

Bridge #3 on Smith Road was inspected. The railing had been cut down in height and new posts installed. A hand rail was also installed for safety. The asphalt on the bridge surface is in good shape. Bridge #3 is currently the only bridge with an asphalt surface.

The helipad looked in good shape and it was commented that the new helipad lights are working properly.

The Disposal Site was looked at. Trillium Tire will need to be contacted to pick up the tires. It was mentioned that the Ministry of the Environment had inspected the Disposal Site and that the report would be in the Council packages for the upcoming Council meeting. During the Ministry's inspection, Leadhand Johnson was present and he reported that there were no issues that would need to be addressed.

There is some brushing currently being done on Sovereign Road.

The bridge replacement on Broome Road over Cedar Creek that is in progress was inspected. The bridge replacement project looks good. The new culvert is in place and work in the creek has been completed. The contractor's construction workers were on site and updated Council on the progress. Council continued the road inspection using the temporary detour located between Broome Road and Holomego Road.

Lunch was had at the Kakabeka Falls Hotel.

The Township inspection continued at 1:00 p.m. The cemetery was inspected. It was noted that both signs at the entrance of the Cemetery need to be painted.

The municipal buildings, which include the annex building, the fire hall, garage, community centre and office were inspected. The two trucks, grader and backhoe were not in the building at the time of inspection. Leadhand Johnson commented that the bay doors of the garage need the weather stripping replaced. There were no concerns brought forward during the inspection of the Fire Hall. Council commented that the hall was

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clean and in good order. The Community Centre was inspected next. New carpet runners have been installed at the main entrance and look good. The return air in the basement kitchen needs to be covered and the one blind installed. The Deputy Clerk-Treasurer will inquire as to when this will be done. It was suggested that a cupboard for the sink area be installed for utensils and cutlery. It was also commented that the water pipes in the basement kitchen need to be painted. The interior of the Community Centre had been painted this summer and looks good. It was commented that there is a missing ceiling panel vent cover that needs to be replaced. The Deputy Clerk-Treasurer will have the janitor replace it.

The inspection moved into the Municipal Office. The Deputy Clerk-Treasurer commented that more room is needed for file storage. Council suggested that the utility room in the back of the office be used as storage. The history books are currently being stored in that room. A new telephone for the office was discussed. The current rental phone that is being used does not have an indicator light when there is a message waiting. The purchase of a new phone will be looked into.

The Township inspection adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

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Mayor

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Deputy Clerk-Treasurer