

# **MINUTES – VILLAGE OF HARVEY**

## **Special Meeting**

**Nov 9, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. by Zoom**

1. Call to order, adopt agenda.

In attendance: Mayor Gamblin, Deputy Mayor Corey, Councillor Davis, Councillor MacMullin (joined at 7:30pm), and Village Clerk-Katherine Henry. Ian Morgan from Dillon Consulting also attended as a guest.

The Meeting was called to order by Mayor Gamblin at 7:12 pm.

**Councillor MacMullin moved to approve the adoption of the agenda. Seconded by Councillor Davis. Motion carried.**

2. Sidewalk Options

Ian Morgan from Dillon Consulting attended the meeting to update Council on the options for the sidewalk now that Federal funding can be provided. Ian reported that he had checked on the cost of moving the utility poles on the west side and it would cost approximately \$2,500 to \$3,000 per pole. This would be cost prohibitive.

On the east side, it would start across from the sidewalk through Davis Park. There is an open ditch in front of the old pub property and several trees would have to be removed in front of 12 Route 636 and possibly a retaining wall built. The ditch in front of the old pub is too wide to allow the sidewalk and would have to be built out.

A crosswalk could be added later. The regulations would not require lights with the current estimated traffic volumes and sight lines.

The estimated costs were reviewed to see where there might be some savings. The estimate is currently higher than when the Federal funding application was made.

Mayor Gamblin asked if we could have local contractors do the prep work such as widening the ditch and clearing the trees. Ian said there is a risk when the sidewalk contractor doesn't do the prep work. If there are issues later with the sidewalk, they will blame each other. A local contractor would also have to have traffic control with flaggers on Route 636 which they may not have access to as a smaller contractor.

The question was also asked if it would be better to go to tender now with a lot of uncertainty on pricing and labour next spring or wait until 2023. Ian suggested that companies like to have work on the books ahead to ensure they can keep their workforce and equipment so it might be better to tender now.

**The motion was made by Councillor Davis to proceed with issuing the tender by Dillon. It was seconded by Deputy Mayor Corey. Motion carried. The tender opening will be at Dillon offices with a closing date of Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> with award by Council if acceptable on Nov. 28<sup>th</sup>.**

**A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Deputy Mayor Corey and seconded by Councillor Davis at 8:06 pm.**

Certified Correct,

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Katherine Henry, Clerk

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Winston Gamblin, Mayor