

MINUTES West Grey Traffic Safety Working Group Wednesday, November 25, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Via Zoom Teleconferencing

Present: Deputy Mayor Tom Hutchinson, Councillor Stephen Townsend, Director of Public Works Vance Czerwinski, WGPS Chief Robert Martin, Chair Robert MacKenzie, Vice Chair Jonah Friendly, committee members Robin Rich & Robert Edwards

Absent: No absentees

<u>Call to Order:</u> The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:03

Approval of Agenda: Moved by Friendly, Seconded by Edwards - Carried

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest: (direct or indirect) None declared

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

Moved by Townsend, Seconded by Friendly - Carried

Delegations: None

Business Arising from the Previous Meeting:

- "Your Speed" Radar Signs

Chief Martin advised that mobile radar signs mounted on trailers cost approx. \$10k each and recommended that they should be used in pairs. He suggested we should acquire 2 pairs, 4 trailer units in total.

Director Czerwinski advised that the cost of solar powered fixed signs cost approx. \$5k each. As the units are solar powered and semi permanently affixed, they could be moved from location to location as needed, by works department staff.

Motion: The committee recommends to Council the purchase of 1 mobile radar sign, and 4 semi-permanent (solar) radar signs at an approximate budget cost of \$30,000, plus appropriate taxes and to be used in conjunction with coordinated enforcement by the West Grey Police Service.

Moved by Townsend, Seconded by Friendly - Carried

- Funding

Councillor Townsend has made contact with Mr. Sean Wraight at the MTO who is able to provide additional information and advise on funding possibilities available from the MTO. Councillor Townsend to keep the committee updated and will invite Mr. Wright to the committee's January meeting

Ongoing Business:

- Rich opened a discussion on the use of "Speed Cushions" with yellow bollards, as used in Barrie Ontario.

2 cushions and 2 pairs of bollards were estimated to cost \$2150 to purchase. They are intended to be used on roads with a lower speed limit, IE: Sadler Street in Durham.

- Director Czerwinski will report back to this committee the cost to install & operate these units and the impact on snow removal.
- Deputy Mayor Tom Hutchinson advised that the cushions and bollards are "seasonal" and can be removed for the winter.
- Chief Martin expressed a concern on the impact such devices would have.
- Rich to follow-up with the City of Barrie for additional information regarding the impact and utilization.

New Business:

• There was an open discussion about reducing the speed limit from 50 Km/H to 40 Km/H on both Grey Road 10 through Neustadt and Grey Road 3 through Ayton, as a traffic calming measure. It was noted, any changes to speed limits on County roads must be submitted to the County for review and approval.

A request was made for Director Czerwinski and Chief Martin to confirm if they support this action on these County roads and identify if there are any other County roads where similar action would result in effective traffic calming.

This topic will be added to the next committee meeting agenda.

• Deputy Mayor Hutchinson requested that the committee look into a large truck parking problem at the corner of Augusta & Mill in Ayton, with the possibility of creating a "No Parking" zone.

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Correspondence:	None
Articles of Interest:	None
Next Meeting Date:	Tentative date, via Zoom Teleconferencing Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.
Adjournment:	Moved by Friendly, Seconded by Edwards – Carried 11:49 a.m.