

## **Region of Queens Municipality Special Council**

**Thursday, December 7, 2023, 6:00 p.m.**

**Via Zoom**

### **Minutes**

Present: Mayor Darlene Norman, Chair  
Deputy Mayor Jack Fancy  
Councillor Vicki Amirault  
Councillor David Brown  
Councillor Ralph Gidney  
Councillor Maddie Charlton  
Councillor Carl Hawkes  
Cody Joudry CAO  
Christine Watson, Admin. Assistant – Planning & Dev.

Regrets: Councillor Kevin Muise

#### **1.0 Call to Order**

Mayor Norman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

#### **2.0 J-Class Roads**

Mayor Norman asked each Councillor to provide a road in their district they wished to provide to Nova Scotia Public Works (NSPW) for cost-sharing in capital upgrades for 2024-2025.

The annual provincial budget is only \$1 million to be match by the eligible rural and regional municipalities so funding available for Queens County in the past has been minimal.

The cost-share in re-paving were estimated by NSPW in 2022-2023 at \$300,000 per kilometer. Oliver Street estimates from 2023-2024 set the cost closer to \$700,000 per kilometer or higher.

She stated that Council needed to submit a letter to the Minister on this issue, as the money provided to municipalities is low. A draft letter will be circulated to Council before submitting it.

Councillor Charlton submitted Pleasant Street – Shore Road connector \*by Queens Day Care.

Councillor Hawkes submitted Hemlock Street, approximately .4 km.

Councillor Brown submitted Atkins Drive, approximately .19 km.

Councillor Amirault submitted Emeneau Road, first half at Trunk 3.

Deputy Mayor Fancy submitted 19 Morley Street, in front of Civic #19, Forrest Street in front of Civic # 8 – 29 approximately .1 km, and School Street Civic #56-76 approximately .15 km. It was decided to keep the Civic #68 – 76 and per the petition submitted.

Councillor Gidney submitted Wolfe Street, approximately .2 km.

Mayor Noman asked Councillors to reconsider and to only include those roads that are in the most need of repair. Following a roundtable discussion, Councillors agreed on a list of roads to submit.

**It was moved by Councillor Brown and seconded by Councillor Charlton:**

**THAT Council of Region of Queens Municipality submit the following J-Class roads to Nova Scotia Public Works for consideration of cost sharing for 2024-2025.**

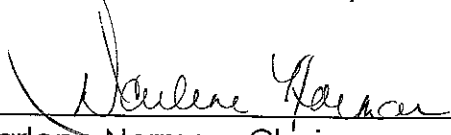
**AND THAT the roads be submitted in the following priority order:**


- 1. Hemlock Road – first 25% on Route 8**
- 2. Aikens Drive – All**
- 3. School Street – Civic #68 – 76 as per Petition**
- 4. Emeneau Road – 1<sup>st</sup> Half in on Trunk 3**
- 5. Forest Street – Civic #8 - 29**

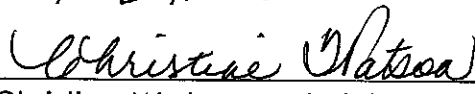
**MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

### **3.0 Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

  
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Mayor Darlene Norman, Chair

  
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Cody Joudry, CAO

  
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Christine Watson, Administrative Assistant – Planning & Development

Date Approved: January 9, 2024