

Special Meeting of Council
Minutes
Brighton Road Traffic Study

Date: Tuesday, November 12, 2019
Time: 6:00 pm
Location: Tecumseh Town Hall - Council Chambers
917 Lesperance Road
Tecumseh, Ontario N8N 1W9

Present:
Mayor, Gary McNamara
Deputy Mayor, Joe Bachetti
Councillor, Andrew Dowie
Councillor, Brian Houston
Councillor, Tania Jobin

Absent:
Councillor, Bill Altenhof
Councillor, Rick Tonial

Also Present:
Chief Administrative Officer, Margaret Misk-Evans
Director Public Works & Environmental Services, Phil Bartnik
Director Fire Services & Fire Chief, Wade Bondy
Director Corporate Services & Clerk, Laura Moy
Deputy Clerk & Manager Legislative Services, Jennifer Alexander
Manager Engineering Services, John Henderson
Manager Strategic Initiatives, Lesley Reeves

A. Call to Order

The Mayor calls the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

B. Roll Call

C. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

There is no pecuniary interest declared by a Member of Council.

D. Delegations

1. Tim Kooistra and Mike Walters, Dillon Consulting Limited

Re: Brighton Road Traffic Study

Tim Kooistra and Mike Walters present the Brighton Road Traffic Study (Study) to the Members. Mr. Walters provides a brief background and outlines the various road improvements to Brighton Road including the two traffic circles at Aloha Drive and Southwind Crescent, the multi-use pathway, two raised median islands, signage and pavement markings. The Study included public consultation which comprised of an online survey and an open house.

The recommendations are discussed and Mr. Walters explains the opportunity to update pavement markings and signage on the multi-use pathway to encourage use with cyclists. He mentions the raised median islands do not have a negative affect, and advises keeping them along Brighton Road. Mr. Walters comments on the roundabout at Tecumseh Road and suggests adding a pedestrian crosswalk with pavement markings to provide further access to the multi-use path. He advises maintaining the two traffic circles at Aloha Drive and Southwind Crescent, and adding splitter islands to prevent motorists from making illegal left hand turns. The use of speed cushions as a traffic calming measure are raised and Mr. Walters explains that this measure could reduce motorist speed near the CN and Via Rail crossing.

A member raises a question regarding the Old Tecumseh Road intersection and increased traffic volume due to future developments. Mr. Walters explains that a 10-year horizon period was completed with increased traffic levels and the intersection operated very well.

The concern over speed cushions and their hindrance with emergency vehicles is raised. A member questioned if there is a specific product available to align with emergency services vehicles. Mr. Walters states that the Study did not look into specific products at this time as it was an option provided.

In response to an inquiry, Mr. Walters states that there must be a significant safety issue to warrant the removal of a roundabout, which does not appear to be the case on Brighton Road, as the volume of traffic from the side streets is low.

Motion: SCM- 22/19

Moved By Councillor Andrew Dowie

Seconded By Councillor Brian Houston

That the Brighton Road Traffic Study presentation by Dillon Consulting Limited, **be received.**

Carried

E. Communications

There are no communications presented to Council.

F. Reports

1. PWES-2019-48 Brighton Road Traffic Study

Motion: SCM- 23/19

Moved By Deputy Mayor Joe Bachetti

Seconded By Councillor Tania Jobin

That Report No. PWES-2019-48 Brighton Road Traffic Study, **be received;**

And that the recommendations outlined in the report prepared by Dillon Consulting Limited titled “Brighton Road Corridor Review – Review of Intersection Traffic Control Operations, October 2019” **be incorporated** within future Roads operational budgets to address traffic operations within the Brighton Road corridor.

Carried

G. Adjournment

Motion: SCM- 24/19

Moved By Councillor Brian Houston

Seconded By Councillor Tania Jobin

That there being no further business, the Tuesday, November 12, 2019 meeting of the Special Council Meeting **be adjourned** at 6:36 pm.

Carried

Gary McNamara, Mayor

Laura Moy, Clerk