

ENGINEERING SERVICES
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CAPITAL:

1. Infrastructure Stimulus Fund

Ingerwood Construction Limited of Woodstock were scheduled to commence construction on Monday, May 31st, however; weather has delayed the start of the Wonham Street North Phase II (Oxford Ave.) project. Trees have been removed in preparation for the installation of sanitary services and we expect the stripping of asphalt to begin June 10th, 2010. Installation of sanitary and storm sewers will follow.

Tenders for Phase II of the Clark Road East Reconstruction closed on May 17th with two contractors submitting tenders. Brantford Engineering and Construction Limited of Brantford were the low bid, however; the project was over budget. The Infrastructure Committee met to discuss the situation. Engineering proposed some deletions and changes to the tender which could be made to achieve the budget allotment. I met with the County of Oxford to discuss their portion of the tender which was over budget as well. The County has requested that we remove certain portions of their watermain project to achieve their budget allotment. The Town will be deleting some items, revising others and negotiating with the contractor on others to allow us to stay within the budget. The Contract was awarded to Brantford Engineering as directed by the CAO. A pre-construction meeting wilol be held on June 9th with construction expected to commence June 14th. Completion of the project is scheduled for October 31, 2010. Notices will be going out to residents affected by the project, notifying them of the work to take place.

King Street West Reconstruction PIC was held on Wednesday, May 12th from 4:00 p. m. to 7:00 p. m. Staff from AECOM and the Town were answered questions and accepted comments from residents and businesses. Documents (drawings and specifications) are expected by the middle of the week of June 7th for our review. The tender for the project is expected to be out towards the end of the following week. A closing date for the tender has not been set. Construction is expected to commence in early July. A PIC will follow the awarding of the contract, at which the contractor will be present to answer questions as well.

2. The Accessible Pedestrian Signals have been received and are at CRU Solutions. I do not have an anticipated installation date.
3. The Laurel Crescent Major Rehabilitation Project is moving forward. McCann Paving have removed the curb and gutter and asphalt and will be placing ductwork for Erie Thames Power Lines. New curb and gutter is expected to be placed next week with asphalt following.
4. Ingerwood Construction Ltd. of Woodstock has completed a major portion of the work on the McKeand Street at the C. N. R. closing project. Curb and gutter, base asphalt, topsoil and sod have been completed. The fencing and topcoat asphalt remain to be completed.

5. R. J. Burnside and Associates have been looking into various replacement methods for the replacement of the North Town Line East Culvert at Henderson Creek. We will be reviewing the proposals in the next week.
6. The design of the sanitary sewers and watermain are nearing completion for Thames Street North, a County of Oxford project. Discussions have been held with the County regarding the project with tendering expected to take place the end of June.

ADMINISTRATION

1. Infrastructure Ontario through the Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative program have requested more information before committing funds for projects. However; through my discussions with Infrastructure Ontario the commitment appears imminent.
2. Storm sewer locates for various utilities have slowed through April.
3. Various development proposals have been reviewed.
4. Staff attended a workshop on asphalt in London sponsored by Ontario Hot Mix Asphalt Producers and Ontario Good Roads Association.
5. I attended meetings involving the following:
 - Development Committee
 - Developers regarding Site Plans and Subdivisions
 - County Staff
 - By-Law Committee
 - Consultants

Respectfully submitted,

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