

Tavistock Flood Prevention Working Group

Meeting Notes

Wednesday, July 18, 2007

7:00 p.m. Tavistock & District Recreation Centre

1. Called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Don McKay
2. Members Present: Don McKay, Maureen Ralph, Clive Lawry, Don MacDonald, Dave Oliphant, Carl Nicklas, Raymond Yungblut, Dennis O'Neil, Jim Harmer, Jeff Carswell, Shahab Shafai, Paul MacIntyre, John Burns, Jackie Gravel.
3. The meeting notes from the last meeting were confirmed.
4. John Burns lead a review and discussion on the Tavistock Master Drainage Plan Report:
 - Provided an overview of the process and rationale for conducting the work under the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Process
 - Reviewed the main alternatives presented in the report
 - Reviewed the recommended combination of alternatives
 - Discussed with the committee the pros/cons of various options
 - The group discussed external storage options and questioned the number required. While two are shown in the plans, the text of the report indicates that 2 or more may be required
5. The group discussed how to engage the public to present and get feedback on the Tavistock Master Drainage Plan. To date the report has been advertised, as required under the Municipal Class EA Process. It is available at the Hickson Office and can be downloaded from the Township's website. There was also an article in the July 11 Tavistock Gazette. The group believes a community meeting; similar to past meetings on drainage would be beneficial. It could be structured with an open house before and after a main presentation. The group believed there may need to be more detailed information on costs for some of the options presented. The group believed September/October would be a good time for a community meeting. This would provide time to process feedback on the report, develop a presentation and develop financial information for some of the options. **Action** – Recommendation to Council for holding a community meeting in September/October.
6. Paul MacIntyre provided the group with an update on the following matters:
 - Home visits / Disconnects
 - Janelle Drive drainage improvement

- Westwood Ave drainage improvement
7. Jim Harmer provided the group with an update on the Tavistock Municipal Drain 2006.
 8. The meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.