

**Minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held Tuesday March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2008 in the Council Chambers.**

Present:

Mayor Delves

Councillor Cheer

Councillor Decock

Clerk/Treasurer Nelson-Smith

Public Works Superintendent Alf Belyea

Press/Public

The meeting began at 8:17pm

Public Works Assistant:

**Recommendation to Council:** Hire a full time employee for a minimum of 8 months and a maximum of 10 months at a starting wage of \$18.00 per hour.

Since 2004 we have not had a Public Works Assistant. This has been a strain on the Public Work's Superintendent for some time but we have managed by hiring casual employees, however this is not ideal. The Public Works Superintendent has a lot on his plate and we also need to start planning for succession. A full job description will be presented at the meeting.

Discussion could start at 17.00 per hour to start and after 3 months after review the rate could increase. Wage negotiable to experience.

It was moved by Councillor Cheer, seconded by Councillor Decock to recommend advertising the position of a Public Work's assistant, wage negotiable.

**CARRIED**

Sunset Park Trail:

**Recommendation to Council:** Allocate \$4000.00 from the tourism funding from UBCM to upgrade the trail. Public Works Superintendent would like to do this with the hired assistant to keep costs low. Please see attached summary of what works need to be done. Also there are alders that need to be removed will need arborist or faller to complete these works. Use overage of funds from the Sunset park budget.

It was moved by Councillor Decock, seconded by Councillor Cheer to recommend an increase to the sunset park general budget as the upgrading is necessary and wait until after the tourism plan is complete to allocate funds to the trail.

**CARRIED**

Port Clements Lagoon:

Oral Report from Public Works Superintendent.

Alf Belyea reported that there has been 3 samples that have come back with too high of oxygen levels, and we may have to clean it out. THMS are up. Last year these samples were high then and they went down. The dredge will go to the landfill.

Waiting for the next set of samples and see what happens

It was moved by Councillor Cheer, seconded by Councillor Decock to wait until we get the samples for the waste water back and go from there.

**CARRIED**

Roger Roberge request for clearing the park

Would like to take it upon himself to clear it again and alf doesn't mind doing the mowing if the landscaping is done


It was moved by Councillor Cheer, seconded by Councillor Decock to recommend giving permission to Roger Roberge to landscape the property across the street, as approved by the public works superintendent Alf Belyea.

**CARRIED**

It was moved by Councillor Cheer, seconded by Councillor Decock to adjourn the committee of the Whole meeting and return to the regular Council Meeting at 8:39pm.

**CARRIED**

  
Cory Delves,  
Chair

  
Heather Nelson-Smith,  
Clerk/Treasurer