

Q – Will the narrowing of the road be the same as Woodward and if so should this be brought back to council for their approval before project is finalized.

A – This is the finalized drawings that have been tendered. The lanes, will be 4 meters wide in each direction, which is wider than Hwy. 17 lanes. The decrease to the roadway will be the sides of the road, which were paved in the past due to storm water damage and erosion to private property and the roadway. By reconstructing the design of the road it will not only save costs for construction and future maintenance, it will also be safer as it is proven to reduce speed.

Q – Will there be overflow parking allowed on the street

A – Yes, parking locations have been worked into the design for contractors as was brought up at the previous meeting. Overnight parking will not be permitted due to the by-law which is for the municipality as a whole.

Q – Will there be maintenance/landscaping done to the fronts of residential properties where the current pavement is set for removal?

A – Yes, grass will be planted/installed in the areas where the pavement is removed to beautify the area, as well as assist with drainage.

Q – With the new water source will this increase the pressure to residents in the community?

A – No, the new source will increase the flows/supply of water to the plant, the pressure is as a result of the height of the standpipe. The elevation would need to be increased in order to increase the flows.

Q – Was consideration given to bike lanes in this area?

A – Yes, however it was determined that bike lanes would not work in this area as it is a truck route, and a busy area with vehicular and pedestrian traffic. A more in-depth study will be done to determine the best routes to designate with bike lanes in the coming years. It was further noted that

even without the designated bike lanes, the traffic lanes are wider than they are on the trans-Canada highway and could still accommodate bike traffic.

Q - What are the funding sources for this project?

A – Total estimated project cost was \$6.5M. The successful bid came in at \$4,496,814.75. If the project is completed without unanticipated additional costs the Town plans to reduce the required loan contribution. Current funding sources are as follows:

- OCIF (2024) - \$1,206,900.00
- OCIF (2023) - \$500,000
- NORDS - \$681,892.95
- Loan - \$3,000,000.00
- ICIP Green Fund - \$1,061,000
- Town Reserve - \$50,000