



Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami

Memo No.
2019-M-218

Memorandum to Council

Staff

Subject: Guppy Road
Agenda Date: December 20, 2019
Attachments: Road Standards

RECOMMENDATION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council received Memo 2019-M-218;

AND FURTHER THAT Council provide direction to Staff on the option to progress to the next step of assessment.

INFORMATION

Public Works assessed Guppy Road on December 3, 2019. This assessment was a visual inspection completed using the recently approved policy for the assumption of roads by the Municipality as a guideline. With the timing of the assessment, there are some items that were not able to be assessed such as the road base and issues that may become evident in the spring of the year when roads thaw. At the time of inspection, Guppy road was covered in snow.

To meet the minimum standard contained in the Policy, this road does need some improvements. Among these are drainage issues, culvert issues, lack of granular materials, brushing and tree removal, lack of crown on most of the road. Further testing could also indicate that blasting would be required to create ditching on both sides of the road.

There are some narrow sections on the road that would create an issue when plowing because our plow/wings on our trucks and grader are 27' feet wide and the road is narrowed to 16' feet wide in some spots. This is a real safety concern for Public Works.

Council's options at this point in time are to either inform the requester that the Municipality is not in the position to proceed with the steps to assume the road into our system or to move to the next step of the assessment process and obtain a cost estimate for upgrading this road.

Ideally, the cost of obtaining such an assessment should be borne by the benefitting landowners although Council could direct that this assessment be paid by the municipality and added to the total costs of the project should it move forward.

Prepared by
Barry Turcotte,
Public Works Superintendent