



Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami

Memo No.
2020-M-034

Memorandum to Council

Subject: Guppyville Road

Agenda Date: March 4, 2021

Attachments:

RECOMMENDATION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council provide direction to Staff on the option to progress to the next step.

INFORMATION

Public Works assessed Guppyville Road on January 15, 2021. This assessment was a visual inspection completed using the approved policy for the assumption of roads by the Municipality as a guideline. At the time of inspection, Guppyville road was covered in snow but Public Works had time in the late fall to drive the short 0.2 - 0.3 km of road and found the base of the road in fair condition for a class 6 road.

It was also noted that where the road ends and private property starts that the Municipality will need to get permission to go onto their property to create a turnaround because the property line crosses the road half way up the hill. Having the turnaround at the bottom of the hill will reduce the occurrence of vehicles requiring assistance to navigate the road starting halfway up a hill.

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.

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