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Killarney-Sussex-Wildwood Sanitary Sewer LAS
Pre-Construction Neighbourhood Meeting
Heather Park Elementary School
Minutes of April 11, 2016 -7:00 pm

City Representatives			
Hayley Sedola	Wil Wedel	Jeff MacIvor	Todd Angus
L&M Engineering Representatives			
Terry Fjellstrom	Liam McPhail		
Residents	Approx. 60 attendees		

Minutes by Todd Angus. Please contact the writer with any errors or omissions.

Hayley opened the meeting with introductions of City and L&M Engineering representatives and a slide show which provided a recap of the LAS process, the construction process and communication plans during construction.

Construction is expected to start on May 9, 2016 with the removal of asphalt on Wildwood. The project will be completed in sections; Wildwood to Killarney, Sussex Lane during the summer when school is out, then back to Killarney. Crews normally work from 7:00am – 5:00pm with possible work outside of that time-frame. Emergency services will have access to affected construction areas, with fire crews completing weekly visits to keep abreast of construction progress. Garbage and recycling pick up will occur on the regularly scheduled days. Garbage bins and recycling boxes may need to be moved, so it is recommended that residents mark their address on the bins.

A water main project will be completed at the same time as the sanitary sewer project. Waters shut offs can range from 30-60 minutes, possibly up to 4 hours or longer. The City will try to provide 2 days’ notice for water shut offs, although there may be unexpected water shut offs.

There will be detours around streets where construction is taking place. Driveway access could be affected for approximately two weeks at a time and No Parking signage will be posted. Water, sewer and road access information will be communicated throughout the project. Residents are asked to try to park off-street, sharing driveways with other residents in the area, if possible. Residents are asked to obey signage and exercise caution in construction areas. Certain areas may be taped off.

A handout guide for the construction process was made available to residents, covering topics such as; Preconstruction Planning, Construction of Project Works, and Plumbing Permit and Onsite work. Once the sanitary sewer main has been completed and tested, residents will be given a Notice to Proceed to connect their service. A certified plumber needs to complete the connection after obtaining the required plumbing permit. A BC One Call also needs to be obtained prior to the connection being completed.

Project communication will be through various methods:

- Door to door notices
- E-mail and phone calls (a sign in sheet was being passed around to collect this information)
- A project signboard will be placed at the south end of Wildwood
- Project website (<http://princegeorge.ca/cityservices/utilities/KSWSanitarySewerLAS/Pages/default.aspx>)

Hayley then handed the presentation over to Terry Fjellstrom from L&M Engineering to speak about onsite engineering. Notices have been delivered to the 80 project residences to schedule inspections with L&M Engineering and Blockbuster Drain and Sewer. Inspections will continue on the weeks of April 25 and May 2. Blockbuster will camera lines, locate septic tanks, determine pipe invert elevations, and identify any obstacles relating to completing the connection to the sanitary sewer system. A Site Plan Report will be prepared for each residence which will provide best options for the connection. Some residences may require pumps to lift their sewage to the sanitary sewer main. Homeowners can assist L&M by locating their basement cleanouts and water services. At present, 35 appointments have been booked, with 45 still to arrange. The appointments will normally be scheduled from 8:00am – 5:00pm.

The floor was then opened for questions from residents.

Q: Do we still need a plumbing permit if we already have a service to the property line?

A: Yes, a permit is still needed and a certified plumber must complete the connection.

Q: What is the cost of the permit?

A: The permit cost is \$140. We are still trying to have this cost included in the project and will provide an update at a later time.

Q: What is the deadline for hooking up to the system?

A: Once the project has been completed, residents will have two years to complete the connection. Sanitary sewer charges will start to be levied after the two years, regardless of whether the connection has been completed.

Q: Will the project be completed this year, or will it carry over into 2017?

A: The project will be completed over two years. Part of Killarney will not be completed in 2016.

Q: What part of Killarney will be completed in 2017?

A: The northern part of Killarney will be completed in 2017. The other project sections need to be completed first.

Q: I'm close to the sewer main which already exists on Nixon Cres. Can I connect to that main?

A: Unfortunately, the connection will need to be made to this new sewer main.

Q: Will the roads be repaved this year?

A: The asphalt will be removed and repaved in sections as the project progresses.

Q: What is the deadline for paving to be completed this summer?

A: Most paving is completed by the end of October.

Q: It costs more to complete paving in chunks like this. Why not grind it all at once and repave it all at once? It costs extra money to do it in chunks, for example \$1000 each time to low-bed equipment.

A: There are two parts to this answer. First, it costs a lot to maintain gravel roads, with manpower and equipment. Second, the paving for this project is part of the overall Citywide contract, so the unit rate will not change.

Q: How current does the BC One Call need to be? Is there a charge for it?

A: The BC One Call must be completed within two weeks of a dig taking place. There is no charge for the BC One Call.

Q: Which part of Killarney will be completed last, again?

A: Wildwood and Killarney to Nixon and Killarney.

The meeting was wrapped up with a reminder that the handout Guide to the Connection Process was available at the front of the room and staff would be available for individual questions. A reminder to complete the sign-in sheet with email and phone numbers.

End of meeting – 7:35pm