

Minutes
Task Force for the Completion of Highway 101
July 24, 2017

Attendees:

Municipality of the District of Digby	Deputy Warden Linda Gregory Councillor Matthew Ross Linda Fraser, CAO Robert Hersey, Heritage Advisor Pat Stevens, Executive Assistant
Town of Digby	Councillor Mike Bartlett
Municipality of the District of Clare	
Town of Yarmouth	Deputy Mayor Phil Mooney
Village of Weymouth	Anthony Frizzell, Village Commissioner
Also Present	Gordon Wilson, MLA Clare Digby Peter MacLellan, Communication Digby (arrived at 1:14 pm) NS Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal: Adam Osborne, Highway Planning Engineer Brian Boudreau, Project Engineer Ben Wetmore, Survey Technician Ivan Bain – Community Stakeholder John James – Community Stakeholder Reid Andrews – Community Stakeholder
Regrets	Mayor Ben Cleveland Tom Ossinger, CAO Warden Ronnie LeBlanc, Municipality of the District of Clare Stephane Cyr, CAO Municipality of the District of Clare

Welcome & Introductions	Deputy Warden Gregory called the meeting to order at 1:04 pm. The Deputy Warden welcomed and thanked everyone for attending and asked that introductions be done.
Additions / Revisions to Agenda	Moved and Seconded that the agenda be approved as circulated. Motion Carried
Minutes	Moved and Seconded that the minutes of November 21, 2016 be approved as circulated. Motion Carried

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BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES	
Check List and Timelines	<p>Timeline Phase 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion date of October 2018 is still doable • All right of ways have been acquired • Tender for Clearing will be out this summer with start date of Sept 1st. • The tender for the Seeley Brook bridge will be awarded the week of July 24th • Permits for environmental for wetlands acquired • Tender for rail to trail bridge structure out in two weeks • Confident things under control to adhere to timeline • Archeologist will be onsite when clearing land at Poor Farm area • Seeley Brook will be realigned only under the bridge structure • All landowners have been dealt with but if anyone has any questions on land assessments refer to MLA Gordon Wilson who will forward the information to Kevin Rudderham. • Anthony Frizzell asked how the price for purchasing homes was decided. Adam Osborne stated that staff checks into appraised values and sits down with the homeowner to come up with an agreeable price. <p>Brian Boudreau gave an update on the process of work to be done:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clearing will start (sub-contractor will do this) in September • An access road will be built first which will be used for construction and then for access to properties • Grubbing work is to be done • Clearing and grubbing work will be done on the right side of exit 26 (coming in from Weymouth), large utility poles will have to be moved and new poles inserted, (trees will be removed to insert these poles) • Tender for work on the sub grade will be issued over the winter • The homes purchased near the proposed round-a-bout and on Beechwood will be vacated by October 2017. The round-a-bout will be the last big construction project for Phase 1 <p>Concerns were raised that the round-a-bouts be build large enough to accommodate transport trucks and b-trains. TIR staff indicated that they will be large enough and will have a mountable apron in the centre.</p>
Proposed location of interchange	<p>In Phase 2 a round-a-bout will provide access to Highway 217 around the Middle Cross Road area.</p>

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<p>Updates – 101 Highway Safety Review Report – Digby to Weymouth North</p>	<p>Brian Boudreau has been advised by Kerry Bell, TIR that shoulder retrieval has been done, brush cutting, mowing, bush hogging, upgrades and additions to guard rail, adding gravel to driveways, and installing directional signs will take place this summer. North Rang Crossroad and French Road will have flashing lights (red/amber) installed. The Plympton Convenience store was acquired.</p> <p>Ivan Bain had safety concerns regarding the speed limit in Barton as speed limit is 80 since Barton school closed. He was advised to send a letter with his concerns and the issue will be taken to the next TIR meeting.</p>
<p>Updates – Marshalltown Alms House Site</p>	<p>Rob Hersey gave a presentation on the Marshalltown Alms House site.</p> <p>Mr. Hersey would like to cut the grass and mark the area with chain and a memorial sign to help identify the gravesites. Brian Boudreau will get back to Mr. Hersey after speaking with Ian MacCallum regarding possible environmental issues. Mr. Hersey is to let Brenda Small know about upgrading the area.</p>
<p>Update – Phase 2</p>	<p>MLA Gordon Wilson advised that Phase 2 is not yet on the 5 year plan. He has a meeting with TIR in 3 weeks and will press to have Phase 2 included when the province does the refresh of the plan. He also is in contact with Colin Fraser, MP.</p>

NEW BUSINESS	
CORRESPONDENCE	
NEXT MEETING	October 23, 2017 at 1:00 pm
ADJOURNMENT	Meeting adjourned at 2:17 pm