From: <u>David Sisco</u>

To: <u>Council</u>; <u>Clerks</u>; <u>Kris Wilkinson</u>

Subject: Staff Report IS-2020-01 - Re: Petersburg Water Distribution System

Date: December 31, 2024 2:21:00 PM

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I understand that the above noted Staff Report will be discussed at your Jan.6th 2025 Committee of the Whole meeting. I reside in the impacted Petersburg subdivision and I'm requesting you reflect on the following;

• Confusion over Road Upgrades re: Cost-Sharing: The current Petersburg DWS users are much confused with the MTE report that we think, suggests that the costs associated with upgrading the internal roads (Deerfield/Alice/Redford) will be borne by the Petersburg DWS system users as part the w/m upgrades. Although we acknowledge that costs associated with w/m upgrades will be at our expense, in no manner do we accept that any cost of rebuilding Deerfield / Alice/ Redford and/or any upgrades to the overall internal drainage system be our responsibility. In 60 years, these streets have seen one single re-coat of tar/chip and they, along with the poor drainage issues are the full the responsibility (and cost) of the Township.

Given the lack of clarity of what Staff / MTE Report are implying that the Petersburg DWS users will be responsible to pay, we respectfully request that: **Council defer** the decision to consider the staff recommendation and provide the residents more time to digest the Report.

• Questions as to the Vulnerability of the Existing W/M System: All of us Petersburg DWS users understand that our w/m system was built to Municipal standards of-the-day, and up until May 14th 2024, it was in full compliance with all MECP regulations. The past construction of w/m through rear yards to service homes on Notre Dame, were mostly through easements, but we understand that due to the actions of previous Twp. Councils, those easements were removed. We understand that a small portion of the system was constructed with external lead seals, but regular MECP prescribed water testing has been carried out for many years including 'lead' and its' never shown any elevated levels of lead. Staff are presenting the system as being on the verge of critical failure, which could be foreshadowed if there had been a long, or even a recent history of regular watermain breaks, yet none have occurred. We acknowledge that the w/m system is nearing the end of its' lifecycle, but in no way do we agree with the fear-mongering urgency being demonstrated by Township staff.

A plan for the Petersburg DWS does need to be initiated and planned for, but we the users of the system are fully satisfied that the system continues to function well and safely and do not accept the urgency that is being pushed, and we respectfully request that: Council defer the decision to consider the staff recommendation and provide the residents more time to digest the

Report and that we be provided with more direct communication with the MTE engineers.

Thanks for your time

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From: <u>David Sisco</u>
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Subject: Fwd: Wilmot Staff Report IS-202-01 re: Petersburg Water Distribution System

Date: December 31, 2024 2:22:10 PM

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Date: Tue, Dec 31, 2024 at 2:04 PM

Subject: Wilmot Staff Report IS-202-01 re: Petersburg Water Distribution System To: <<u>council@wilmot.ca</u>>, <<u>clerk@wilmot.ca</u>>, <<u>kris.wilknson@wilmot.ca</u>>

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• 6 months vs 6 days: The engineering firm (MTE) prepared their draft Petersburg DWS design / recommendations took over 6 months to complete, yet the residents have been given 6 days to review it and then attempt to understand it. Furthermore, the few days we've had, have coincided over the Christmas / New Years holidays with many of the residents unavailable.

Given the lack of time provided to the residents to review the engineering report, we respectfully request that: Council defer the decision to consider the staff recommendation and provide the residents more time to digest the Report.

• Comprehensive Overview of Regional/Township Water Needs: The MTE engineering report highlights that Township staff will work cooperatively with the Region to complete an Environmental Assessment (EA) in 2027 to look at the capacity of the existing Petersburg DWS well to supply a much larger population base, (we understand it could potentially supply hundreds more homes). The Region has also hinted at the need for a possible water tower in Petersburg to increase water distribution / fire protection capabilities. Without putting the cart before the horse, these larger Regional issues need to be completed and then the Petersburg WDS design can be finalized.

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To: <u>Clerks</u>

Subject: Re: Wilmot Staff Report IS-202-01 re: Petersburg Water Distribution System

Date: January 2, 2025 3:17:03 PM

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Yes please, all four emails for Monday's Agenda re: P'burg Water Main Upgrades. The one email for Tues.'s Agenda re: 2025 Budget, that too can be included in the Tues. package.

Tks

David

On Thu, Jan 2, 2025 at 2:49 PM Clerks < clerks@wilmot.ca > wrote:

Good afternoon David,

Thank you for your email. Please confirm whether you would like to have your correspondence below added to the January 6, 2024 Committee of the Whole Agenda Package under correspondence, to form part of the official record?

Please let me know and I will proceed accordingly.

Regards,



Candice Greenley (she/her)

Administrative Clerk

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