

Mtg with Lehigh Residents
May 9th 2016 @ 5:00 PM

Mayor & CNCL
Province - Andrew Wilson / Cathy Manago. Ex. Dir.
CAO - Ray Romaretz.
Stantec - Stu Becker
Recording Secretary

Called to Order 5:10 AM.

Andrew - RCRP set up in June 2 rounds funding. 500M over 10 yrs for Prov. 1 rd subm each year - heavily over subscribed. based on priorities - i.e. safety, infra. Recommend projects move forward for funding. Cost share under 3M 90% - over 3M - 70%.

a. Who applies for buyout? - Proposal from Town in negotiation with homeowner.

art^s Sept 2017 next round submissions. For buyouts, no definite decision until next year

b. Who would own land? Based on proposal from Town.

Jay. - no dyke
- Prov not funded 2016 and will never
- env impact - cost/benefit ratio.
- protect US assets to be protected
- more than a ratio of 2-1.
- highest ratio of funded 1-1 ratio (Prov. financial test)
- Newc. / East Midl. - movement in more lobbying over jurisdiction - river is Queen's
- Town has to pay 10% of project costs.
- Provincial dyke - improvements their responsibility.
- not giving up on our position
- add'l community consultation
- the project not funded 2016 (Lehigh dyke - heard do not want it).

c. Lehigh just not where you wanted to put it?

g. High water table - berm would not work -

Stantec - Darwin Burnie react to floods and address to ground percolation of water.
no add'l geotechnical tests done.

C. If no UBERM, thank CNCh for hard work and get on with our lives

alternatives to dyking

Under program, buyouts. # of steps - consultation, town appl. Buyouts. (read from notes)

mun responsible for completing application

90-10 split - mun handle land purchase -

env. reserve in future.

offers to purchase based on current assessment.

- homeowners can undertake raising structure at own cost.

Q - why can't we build our structure higher
Prov Split large scale mitigation vs. ind. mitigation.
Project based on community at large
Consider individual maintenance.
Not aware of any programs currently in place.

Q - If we refused a buyout then no future \$ available. Jay no add'l buyout offer would be made if refused.

Q - Assessed value what year? Current art because of flooding in last 10 years. no changes to LUB. LU changing and values reduced because of requirements. There is no chance taking the assessed value. Issue safety and lifestyle. Great place to live and other factors need to be taken into consideration.

C. mayor - town will respond if high water event.

Preparedness.

- 125,000 for town
- 1M grant equipment.
- more equipment to address future event
- whether we get flood mitigation grant or not
- more prepared now than in the past

guy - buyout steps - major understanding -
buyout results in all residents
paying 10% of buyout / 100% of
land and 100% of returning land to
natural states. The cost to the Town
could exceed \$1M. - What are we
prepared to do for each other is a
better conversation to have.

Q - So our lives are on hold - no deck no shop.
C - Depend on when your current assessment
impacts buyout. Maybe did not do a
great job of sharing info.

Q - Why did it go to the Province if so flawed.
C - Guy realistic in who we are. Hiring the
best guy who prepared a report - the best
bad idea and were not aware of the cost.
Benefit ratios. We can't assume that
everyone feels the same way - ~~concerned~~
comments from some residents feel that.
Jerry go thru the process to look at
buyouts.

Q - Art - Town does not have \$ for buyouts.
Everyone in High v. sign a some harmless
agreement - go to Province for \$. The
Town re visits LUB and makes
redevelop requirements. Eliminate
Art - no make redevelop easier if
water levels are high. Ray rules are
in place to consistently build to a
set level - move away from the
excepted norm for the Comm - at large.
Working with Prov and past CNCL's
to set the rules - at same base level.
Art revisit to LUB. Ray Prov.
looking at developable areas and
consider that option.

Q - art - ^{acceptable} ratio 1 to 1
Andrew - the last subd. 10 to 1 competitive program - clearly from Prior perspective biggest bang for \$
Jay - complicated - Surrender mtg. is remove restrictions - could render you ineligible for any Prov \$ in a disaster, Flood ins.?
and stated knowing it could flood. difficult.

Q - Lehigh - are you happy living there?
One resident house for sale now.

Q - Where is homeowner responsibility in all of this?

Q - Shaun
Letter stating to residents - no berm.
Sharel no berm - Letter requested from residents.

C. Tom - CNCL has been undermining you and are you satisfied with info or do you feel CNCL out to get you. A lot of info to review and saw the berm thru the middle and didn't realize the impact to community. Shaun - straight comm. from CNCL and came to Lehigh to see our community. Tom - go to community assess. mtgs and report back to CNCL. Shaun - a letter stating it does not make financial sense - communication lacking. You pointed the finger at the Prov instead.

Q - Shaun when is the rest of Town going to find out when the projects move forward. - Jerry approval has given - the project not flushed out yet. Borrow the \$ (not a tax hike). Might not follow previous agreed to cost ¹⁰⁰⁰⁰⁰⁰.

Q - Lehigh residents go to Edmonton
Dana - the application needed to go in so that it could be refused to move forward with other options.

Jay - not as proactive as should be - Show 9 projects and those best solutions to 9 projects.

Shawn Douglas

Q - Preparedness - Town came to dump dirt on the west end - destroyed yard. There for 3 floods - and would not listen to him. Asked for help and got nothing. Special areas, had equipment ready and was told not needed. Ray not in position to confirm or deny.

Q - Dumped dirt and curving side of house in and landscaping damaged, so full of broken glass still picking it out. Last house 4th st. Told that was price you pay living there. Contact Mayor and grader there the next day. If still further work required, we will look at. Scott and Perry Head.

Q - Ted and Peggy ^{Ginger 105 4th St. W} Same glass dirt - flat tired. Sharel encouraged residents to phone CNEL.

Q - Are we wasting money if we fix up our property?

Jem - mapping? Getting the proper mapping flood fringe. Not sure where it is at. Residents - walk the property and ask us. Ray takes into account Dickson Dam and freeboard and these flows will be used. Each flood different.

C Jay other eng. solutions. No. Jay adopting a no protection strategy - is not acceptable - Prov in other communities there hasn't been a mass excess and property values have not declined.

gay - if I was in your shoes - ^{property improvements} do to enjoy life - every year there is a 1% chance it could happen.

a - Building permits - undervalued, looked at. access to river - when follow there is no hole there ^{Dobson French} - needs to be dug back out again. Ray to follow up.

@ - Problem with CNCL giving info back to residents. Prov could not give a mapping date for Drumheller. Andrew current map available on website. Tom - huge problem as one / banks are not using the same one. Ray exceptions for Drum - maps have to be signed off for Prov by the Prov as agreed to by the Minister.

Mtg with Elaine Bendahl

a - Shawn water flow criteria difference 1:100 yr as opposed to now 1840 why lower number. Ray mitigation from Dickson Dam 30% reduction. Cathy not reflected in the maps - no structural protection considered - however the Prov is working with the Town to update. Will be in the community to do this work.

andrew
Eri - Dickson Dam operation is an art not a science. Run the risk of dumping too soon / too fast. Trade offs - watch weather.

Stu - Env website - levels are posted -

Mayor working on 3 yrs - trying to get a mitigation package. Prov dikes - Town maintenance. @ 100% cost to province.

one of grants 80-100 valves and one failed
and not waiting for approval - looking
at valves ^{Town} incase of high water.

A - Shawn - open to communication
in future.

Letter in pkg. - future consultations.

B - Shawn - grant appl. - FOIA application.

Pay all left with is the buyouts and
never be privy to that ind. information.
and no future alternatives.

Closed 6:30 PM.

Historically the response from the Town of Drumheller in regards to not only flood preparedness but emergency response has been one of envy for other communities. We are blessed to be surrounded by three counties who have existing agreements in place to come to our aid as they so have done so in the past. We currently have been approved a grant in the amount of \$125,000 which will be used to develop a strategic plan for Drumheller and neighboring municipalities. This grant will allow us to continue to work together to formulate a joint emergency preparedness plan should we experience another high water event or other disaster.

Whats more further to the 2013 flood, the town has purchased, with a grant of almost 1 million dollars from the province, even more equipment and supplies to help us in the event of a repeat event. These purchases included automated sand bagging machine, Dykes in a bag also known as temporary dykes, generators, lights, bobcats, trash pumps, to name a few. We are and will be ready at a moments notice to help our community. We have been lobbying long and hard to get us to the position we find our selves in today.

As well as what we have heard tonight about other mitigating projects and the increase in equipment I want you to rest assured the Town of Drumheller has steadily been stock piling and preparing for any future event. Whether we get approval for further mitigation or not we will continue to react to such high water events as we have in the past and be going forward in a better position than we have ever been before.

While you may be disappointed that Emergency ^{Response & Preparedness} ~~Preparedness~~ is what there is at this point, we are better prepared now than at any point in the past.