

# MINUTES

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

PUC BOARDROOM  
325 GRAND AVE E

SEPTEMBER 21, 2006  
4:00 PM

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PRESENT: Chairman Bryon Fluker, Commissioners Frank Vercooteren, Jim Brown, Joe Faas, Acting CAO Gerry Wolting, General Manager Scott Praill, Senior Level Advisor Jack Sonneveld and Facility Systems Manager Rob Bernardi.

ABSENT: Mayor Diane Gagner, Commissioner Janet McGuigan and Tom McGregor.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Due to prior commitments by Mayor Gagner and Commissioner McGregor it was decided to hold the Closed Session first.

Chairman Bryon Fluker called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

2. **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

NONE

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a) June 15, 2006
- b) July 10, 2006
- c) August 21, 2006

**Moved by Commissioner Vercooteren and seconded by Commissioner Brown.**

**“That the minutes of June 15 2006, July 10 2006 and August 21, 2006 Regular Meeting be approved.”**

**Motion carried**

4. **REPORTS**

- a) Dillon Rd/15<sup>th</sup> Line Waterline Extension

MUNICIPALITY OF CHATHAM-KENT

**Public Utilities Commission**

**TO:** PUC Chairperson and Commissioners  
**FROM:** Scott Praill, CET, B. Comm  
General Manager, Chatham-Kent PUC  
**DATE:** August 24, 2006

**SUBJECT:** Dillon Road / 15th Line Waterline Extension- Tender Award

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that:

1. The Chatham-Kent Public Utilities Commission approve the award of the Dillon Road/15<sup>th</sup> Line Waterline Extension Project, Contract T06-177 to Delway Contractors Limited at the quoted price of \$68,900.00, including GST.
2. The Chairperson and General Manager be authorized to complete the necessary agreements.

**BACKGROUND**

The Dillon Road/15th Line petition was approved by the Chatham-Kent Public Utilities Commission in March 2006.

The service area would see the construction of a 100 mm waterline on 15th Line for a distance of 950 metres with a northerly 100mm main on Dillon Road to #20362 Dillon Road for a distance of 800 metres.

A total of six (6) residential land parcels and two (2) vacant agricultural parcels exist along this portion of the petitioned area.

Todgham and Case Associates Inc. prepared an estimated cost for the proposed waterline. The estimated cost for the project, including engineering but does not include GST, was \$82,032.00.

The estimated cost per connection for the proposed Dillon Road/15th Line waterline extension, including the 2006 Part 12 Charge, was \$13,685.00. Sixty-three percent (63%) of the property owners returned the ballots. The ballot results were eighty percent (80%) in favour of proceeding with the project.

**COMMENTS**

A total of four (4) quotations were received and they are summarized in the following table:

| <b>Dillon Road/15<sup>th</sup> Line Waterline Extension Project<br/>Contract No. T06-177</b> |   |
|--|---|
| <b><u>Contractor:</u></b>  | <b><u>Quotation amount:</u><br/>(including GST)</b> |
| Delway Contractors Limited<br>Chatham, Ontario   | \$68,900.00   |
| Sherway Contracting (Windsor) Limited<br>Windsor, Ontario                                    | \$102,915.93  |
| Murray Mills Excavating<br>Sarnia, Ontario   | \$114,023.14  |
| Marchand Excavating Contractors Limited<br>Comber, Ontario                                   | \$121,093.49  |

The low quotation from Delway Contractors Limited is 7% below the engineer's estimate and 32% below the average of the four tenders received.

It is recommended that the Chatham-Kent PUC award Contract No. T06-177 to Delway Contractors Limited at the quoted price of \$68,900.00, including GST and that the Chairperson and General Manager be authorized to complete the necessary agreements.

**COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN**

The recommendations in this report support the following objectives and strategic directions:

B. Economy-We are a prosperous community

B3: Maintain and enhance new and existing infrastructure to support economic and smart growth opportunities.

**Desired Outcomes / Proposed Activities**

- Advocate for essential provincial and federal investment and equitable tax policies to support financing and effective operation of sustainable transportation systems, water, sewer and waste management services.
- Support new infrastructure investments and modernize existing infrastructure.
- Maintain and improve the quantity and quality of ground and surface waters

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The recommendations will not adversely impact the remainder of the Community Strategic Plan.

**CONSULTATIONS**

Todgham and Case Associates Inc. completed a detailed review of the tenders and a copy of their letter of recommendation is attached.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

All costs associated with the project will be recovered through assessment.

Prepared by:

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Jack Sonneveld  
Senior Level Advisor,  
Chatham-Kent PUC

Reviewed by:

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Scott Praille, CET, B. Comm  
General Manager  
Chatham-Kent PUC

Reviewed by:

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Gerry Wolting, B.Math., CA  
Acting Chief Administrative Officer

**Moved by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner Faas.**

**“The Chatham-Kent Public Utilities Commission approve the award of the Dillon Road/15<sup>th</sup> Line Waterline Extension Project, Contract T06-177 to Delway Contractors Limited at the quoted price of \$68,900.00, including GST.**

**The Chairperson and General Manager be authorized to complete the necessary agreements.”**

**Motion carried**

b) Queen’s Line/Dillon Road Waterline Extension

MUNICIPALITY OF CHATHAM-KENT  
**Public Utilities Commission**

**TO:** PUC Chairperson and Commissioners  
**FROM:** Scott Praille, CET, B. Comm  
General Manager, Chatham-Kent PUC  
**DATE:** September 13, 2006  
**SUBJECT:** Queen’s Line / Dillon Road Waterline Extension - Tender Award  
Contract T06-174

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**RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that:

1. The tender in the amount of \$360,400.00, including GST, for the Queen’s Line/Dillon Road Watermain Project, Contract T06-174, be awarded to Delway Contracting Limited.
2. The Chairperson and General Manager be authorized to complete the necessary agreements.

**BACKGROUND**

A Queen's Line / Dillon Road petition was submitted to the Chatham-Kent Public Utilities Commission in September 2003. Originally, the proposal was estimated based 250mm waterline on Queen's Line, from municipal #7310 to #6905, west of Dillon Road and a 50mm line would be constructed on Dillon Road from Queen's Line to Riverview Line. Seventy-three percent (73%) of the property owners returned the ballots with only sixty-one percent (61%) in favour of proceeding with the project.

A new petition with a revised route along Queen's Line / Dillon Road was submitted to the Chatham-Kent Public Utilities Commission in January 2005.

The service area would see the construction of a 250 mm waterline on Queen's Line from the existing 300mm main located at #7310, westerly to #6911 Queen's Line for a distance of 2,070 m with a northerly 100mm main on Dillon Road to #23284 Dillon Road for a distance of 805 m. A 50 mm waterline would be extended to loop the Dillon Road main to the existing River Road for a distance of 1,690 m.

A total of nineteen (19) residential land parcels and four (4) vacant agricultural parcels exist along this portion of the petitioned area.

Dillon Consulting Limited prepared a revised estimated cost for the proposed waterline. The estimated cost for the project, including engineering but did not include GST was \$351,227.50 of which \$87,285.00 is associated with oversizing and \$109,785.00 was associated with looping and would be charged to the PUC.

The estimated cost per connection for the proposed Queen's Line / Dillon Road waterline extension, including the 2005 Part 12 Charge was \$9,037.25. Seventy-two percent (72%) of the property owners returned the ballots. The ballot results were seventy-five percent (75%) in favour of proceeding with the project.

**COMMENTS**

Following the detailed engineering drawings and review were completed, it was recommended that the looping line be increased to 100 mm.

Four (4) competitive bids were received on the project. The bids are summarized in the following table:

| <b>Queen's Line/Dillon Rd. Watermain<br/>Contract T06-174</b> |   |
|---|---|
| <b>Tenderer:</b>  | <b>Tender Amount:<br/>(including GST)</b> |
| Delway Contractors Ltd.<br>R.R.# 8, Chatham                   | \$360,400.00                              |
| Murray Mills Excavating<br>Sarnia, Ontario                    | \$411,767.07                              |
| Sherway Contracting (Windsor) Ltd.<br>Windsor, Ontario        | \$472,754.70                              |
| Coores Construction Inc.<br>Sarnia, Ontario.                  | \$488,981.71                              |

A contingency allowance of \$15,000.00 is included in the tendered price.

Dillon Consulting have reviewed the tenders and advised that the tenders are complete in all respects. A copy of their tender review and letter recommending the award to Delway Contracting Ltd. is attached.

The original estimated cost per connection \$8,221.73 (excluding GST and Part 12 Charges) will be increased by 4.1% to \$8,561.52. The oversizing and looping cost for the PUC has also increased from \$172,810.50 to \$213,221.50 (+\$40,411.00)

It is recommended Contract T06-174 be awarded to Delway Contracting Limited.

**COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN**

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**The recommendations will not adversely impact the remainder of the Community Strategic Plan.**

CONSULTATIONS

Dillon Consulting Ltd. prepared the engineering information and reviewed the tenders.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The oversizing and looping cost that will be allocated to the PUC is estimated to be \$213,221.50. All other costs associated with the project will be recovered through assessment.

Prepared by:

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Chatham-Kent PUC

Reviewed by:

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Scott Praill, CET, B. Comm  
General Manager  
Chatham-Kent PUC

Reviewed by:

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Gerry Wolting, CA., B.Math  
Acting Chief Administrative Officer

**Moved by Commissioner Vercouteren and seconded by Commissioner Brown.**

**“That the tender in the amount of \$360,400.00, including GST, for the Queen’s Line/Dillon Road Watermain Project, Contract T06-174, be awarded to Delway Contracting Limited.”**

**Motion carried**

**5. INFORMATION**

- a) Hughes Road Watermain
- b) Revenue & Expenditure
- c) United Church comes out against bottled water sales
- d) BIOTA bottle
- e) Proposed Amendment to Bill 43
- f) Windsor Star re: Amherstburg Rates

**Moved by Commissioner Faas and seconded by Commissioner Brown.**

**“To receive the information.”**

**Motion carried**

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

Chatham Water Treatment Plant Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and BBQ September 28, 2006.

7. **NEXT MEETING**

The next PUC Commission meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 19, 2006 at 4:00 PM at the PUC boardroom.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved by Commissioner Faas and seconded by Commissioner Brown.**

**“That the Regular meeting be adjourned at 5:15 PM.”**

**Motion carried**