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## **MEMORANDUM**

CWCD 194-2019

**Subject: Councillor Information Request re: Main Water Loss Assessment** 

Date: May 17, 2019
To: Regional Council

From: Jen Croswell, C.Tech.

As requested during Public Works Committee on March 19, 2019, this memorandum was created to provide a summary of water loss assessment work undertaken by Niagara Region.

Based on past results, Niagara Region completes transmission main water loss assessments on Regional infrastructure on an as needed basis. In an effort to troubleshoot water loss challenges in area municipal distribution systems, Niagara Region works collaboratively with area municipalities, when requested, by participating in the evaluation and implementation of district metering areas (allowing for isolation and control of water flow to help to identify areas of water loss within the municipal distribution system) and by conducting water loss assessments.

To date, district metering areas have been implemented in the City of Port Colborne (2010) and evaluated in the Town of Fort Erie (2018). Water loss assessments were completed on an area municipal level in 2007 and were updated in 2012. Results indicated varying levels of non-revenue water losses with recommendations specific to each area municipality. Area municipalities have, and continue to, implement work to address these specific recommendations.

In addition, in 2010 Niagara Region conducted a water loss assessment on Regional infrastructure for the transmission mains between Park Road Reservoir (Grimsby) and Smithville Reservoir (West Lincoln), Rosehill Water Treatment Plant to Prospect Point Road (Fort Erie), and Niagara Falls Water Treatment Plant (900mm) to Montrose Road (Niagara Falls). Results of the water loss assessment indicated that billing meters represented acceptable flows when compared to the testing meter and were not indicative of water loss within Niagara Region's distribution system.

To maintain confidence in the Region's billing flow meters, and as requested by area municipalities, billing flow meters are calibrated on a semi-annual basis which is at a greater frequency than industry standard.

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Respectfully submitted and signed by,				
Jen Croswell, C.Tech.				
Water Compliance Specialist				





# **MEMORANDUM**

CWCD 195-2019

Subject: Resignation of Councillor Villella from the Transportation Steering

Committee

Date: May 17, 2019
To: Regional Council

From: Ann-Marie Norio, Regional Clerk

Please be advised, that due to scheduling conflicts, Councillor Villella has resigned from the Transportation Steering Committee, effective immediately.

Respectfully submitted and signed by

Ann-Marie Norio
Regional Clerk

## **Active Bids Summary**

Please be advised that the following bid calls are currently active.

As per the Procurement By-Law Section 31 (d) Elected officials shall refer any inquiries about a Bid Solicitation process to the Commissioner of Enterprise Resource Management Services/Treasurer.

Please be reminded, to avoid unintentional breaches of the anti-lobbying provisions of the Procurement Bylaw, all communication with bidders/suppliers must occur formally through the contact identified below.

For room closing please contact extension 3655 for information.

Number	Name	Closing Date	Purchasing Representatives
2019-RFPQ- 174	St. Catharines Child Care Addition and Interior Alterations	2019-05-21	Kristine Richardson
2019-Q-191	Supply and Delivery of High Speed Inkjet Printer	2019-05-23	Lesley Monette
2019-RFP-160	Consulting Engineering to Prepare the Detailed Bridge Condition Survey on the Schisler Road Bridge (Structure No.027230) on Regional Road 27 (Schisler Road), in the City of Niagara Falls	2019-05-23	Tim Chen
2018-RFP-21	Consultant Services for Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for the reconstruction of Regional Road (RR) 50 Niagara Street Bridge	2019-05-23	Jayan Perera
2019-T-163	Humberstone Landfill Gas Collection and Control System Operation, Maintenance, and Monitoring	2019-05-23	Tim Chen
2019-T-147	Supply and Installation of a Complete Operating IP Nurse Call System	2019-05-23	Lesley Monette
2019-RFP-89	Completion of a Class EA & Enhanced Conceptual Design for the Woodsview Sewage Pumping Station (SPS), Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) & Forcemain Replacement in the Town of Grimsby	2019-05-23	Jayan Perera
2019-Q-175	Regional Road 98 Reconstruction Materials Testing	2019-05-23	Lesley Monette
2019-RFPQ- 173	Request for Supplier Qualifications for Water, Wastewater, Transportation, Waste Management & Facilities Management Consulting Services	2019-05-24	Jeffrey Mulligan
2019-Q-177	Regional Road 20 Geotechnical Materials - Construction Testing Services	2019-05-28	Lesley Monette
2019-RFP-167	Design of Drop-Off Depot Improvements at Three Landfill Sites	2019-05-28	Kristine Richardson
2019-T-170	Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) Hazard Tree Removal Contract	2019-05-28	Kristine Richardson
2019-RFP-172	Corporate Employee Engagement Survey	2019-05-03	Vicki Lafford-Field
2019-RFP-179	Completion of a Detailed Engineering Design for Downing Street Transmission Main Replacement	2019-05-30	Tim Chen

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Number	Name	Closing Date	Purchasing Representatives
2019-T-150	Reconstruction of Regional Road 20 - Phase 2 (West Street) from South Grimsby Road 6 to Griffin Street Reconstruction of Regional Road 20 - Phase 3 (St. Catharines Street) from Industrial Road to Townline Road In The Township of West Lincoln	2019-05-30	Tim Chen
2019-RFP-178	Line 2 Sanitary Pumping Station Upgrades	2019-06-04	Vicki Lafford-Field
2019-RFPQ- 176	Niagara Region DeCew WTP Plant 3 Upgrades Building Superstructure Addition and Process Upgrades	2019-06-04	Jayan Perera
2019-RFP-180	Completion of a Detailed Engineering Design for Carleton St. Pump Station (PS) Forcemain Replacement	2019-06-04	Tim Chen
2019-RFP-96	Operation of EarlyON Child and Family Centres	2019-06-06	Jeffrey Mulligan
2019-T-168	2019 Illumination & Fibre Communication Upgrades	2019-06-06	Lesley Monette
2019-Q-165	Supply and Delivery of one (1) Heavy Duty Industrial Diesel Forklift Truck	2019-06-06	Tim Chen

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Subject: Smoke-Free Ontario Act, 2017 - Address Promotion of Vaping

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#### To: Ontario Boards of Health

Please see the attached letter from Gary McNamara, Board Chair of the Windsor-Essex County Health Unit and Theresa Marentette, WECHU CEO, in support of Peterborough Public Health's call to action strengthening the Smoke-Free Ontario Act, 2017 to address the promotion of vaping.

Thank you,

Kindest Regards,

Lee Anne Damphouse | Executive Assistant | Administration

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May 2019

Honourable Christine Elliott
Deputy Premier, Minister
Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care
Hepburn Block 10th Floor,
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Christine.elliott@ontario.ca

Dear Honourable Christine Elliott,

#### Re: Strengthening the Smoke-Free Ontario Act, 2017 to address the promotion of vaping

On behalf of our board of health, I am writing you in support of Peterborough Public Health's call to action regarding strengthening the Smoke-free Ontario Act, 2017 to address the promotion of vaping.

The Windsor Essex County Board of Health supports the call to address retail promotion for vaping products in convenience stores, gas bars and other retail locations across Ontario. Peterborough Public Health's letter (attached below) outlines some of the negative impacts of nicotine exposure on the adolescent brain as well as evidence of respiratory health impacts among youth who vape. WECHU has responded to alarming number of complaints related to youth vaping at schools and within the community.

The Windsor-Essex County Health Unit thanks you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Gary McNamara Chair, Board of Health

cc: Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Local MPPs
Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHa)
Ontario Boards of Health

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Chief Executive Officer

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# Renfrew County and District Health Unit

"Optimal Health for All in Renfrew County and District"

March 04, 2019

The Honourable Christine Elliott
Deputy Premier of Ontario
Minister of Health and Long-Term Care
christine.elliottco@ola.org

Dear Minister Elliott.

#### Re: Strengthening the Smoke-Free Ontario Act, 2017 to address the promotion of vaping

At the February 26, 2019 regular meeting of the Board of Health for the Renfrew County and District Health Unit (RCDHU) the Board considered the attached correspondence from Peterborough Public Health urging the Ontario government to strengthen the Smoke-Free Ontario Act, 2017 to prohibit through regulation, the promotion of vaping products.

The following motion was recommended by the Stakeholder Relations Committee and accepted by the Board on February 26, 2019:

#### Resolution: #3 SRC 2019-Feb-08

A motion by M. A. Aikens; seconded by J. Dumas; be it resolved that the Stakeholder Relations Committee recommend to the Board that the RCDBH support the correspondence from Peterborough Health Unit urging the province to strengthen the Smoke-Free Ontario Act 2017 and prohibit the promotion of vaping products and further that it be cc as per the Sudbury letter.

Carried

Sincerely.

Janice Visneskie Moore Chair, Board of Health

Renfrew County and District Health Unit

cc (via email): The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

Dr. David Williams, Chief Medical Office of Health

The Honourable John Yakabuski, MPP, Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke

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November 5, 2018

The Honourable Christine Elliott
Minister of Health and Long-Term Care
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Dear Minister Elliott,

## Re: Strengthening the Smoke-Free Ontario Act (2017) to address the promotion of vaping

At its meeting on October 10, 2018, the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health passed a motion to urge the Ontario government to strengthen the Smoke-Free Ontario Act (2017) and prohibit through regulation, the promotion of vaping products.

By and large the changes in the updated Act and regulations are viewed favorably by Peterborough Public Health as it harmonizes medicinal cannabis, recreational cannabis, conventional cigarettes, and e-cigarette laws into one piece of legislation. However, health experts conclude that allowing retail vaping displays and promotion will put thousands of children and youth at risk of nicotine addiction. The legislation only bans actual vaping product displays at retail outlets and does not restrict other types of retail promotion for vaping products. It permits the widespread promotion of vaping products in convenience stores, gas bars and other retail locations across Ontario. This includes freestanding brand promotions now located inside and outside retail locations like gas bars, posters including pictures of products, video product promotion, and many other types of promotion including those featuring actual vaping products, are all allowed. Mass media promotion of vaping produces (i.e., television advertising) has already been seen in Ontario.

Public health representatives are very concerned about the outcome of nicotine exposure on the adolescent brain. There is also more evidence of respiratory health impacts among young vapers. We are sure that these serious health impacts must be of concern to you and the Government of Ontario as well. We agree with a federal commitment to reducing tobacco use to 5% in Ontario by 2035¹ and fear that current promotion of vaping will actually lead to increased tobacco use among youth. Recently released results from the Canadian Tobacco, Alcohol and Drugs Survey (CTADS) shows that current smoking rates for Canadians aged 15 years and over have actually increased to 15.1% in 2017 from 13.0% in 2015.² Your action is urgently needed to protect the health of youth in Ontario and avoid an epidemic of vaping and nicotine addiction. We must work collaboratively to ensure that young people do not start smoking or vaping.

In conjunction with the above actions, the Board of Health requests that the Province invest in a timely evaluation of the implementation of the Smoke-Free Ontario Act to monitor the impacts of the limited promotion of vaping products with a commitment to make the required amendments as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

### Original signed by

Councillor Henry Clarke Chair, Board of Health

cc: Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Local MPPs
Ontario Boards of Health
Association of Local Public Health Agencies

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Health Canada (2018). Canada's Tobacco Strategy. Retrieved from <a href="https://www.canada.ca/content/dam/hc-sc/documents/services/publications/healthy-living/canada-tobacco-strategy/overview-canada-tobacco-strategy-eng.pdf">https://www.canada.ca/content/dam/hc-sc/documents/services/publications/healthy-living/canada-tobacco-strategy/overview-canada-tobacco-strategy-eng.pdf</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Statistics Canada (2018). Canadian Tobacco, Alcohol and Drugs Survey (CTADS): Summary of results for 2017. Retrieved from <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/canadian-tobacco-alcohol-drugs-survey/2017-summary.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/canadian-tobacco-alcohol-drugs-survey/2017-summary.html</a>



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## **MEMORANDUM**

CWCD 198-2019

**Subject: Business Licensing Transition Update and Opening for Business** 

Date: May 17, 2019

To: Region Chair and members of Regional Council

From: Angelo Apfelbaum, Manager Business Licensing

The transitioning of business licensing responsibilities from Niagara Regional Police to the Region will take place on June 1st. The licensing responsibilities include transportation, towing, second-hand shops, salvage yards and auto wrecking businesses.

Delegation of authority by-laws have been passed in St. Catharines, Niagara Falls, Thorold, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Welland and Fort Erie. The by-laws provide the Region the authority to regulate, license and inspect adult entertainment establishments in all six local area municipalities. It also includes body rub establishments for St. Catharines and Niagara Falls.

Staff have been recruited and will be stationed at the SAEO office located at 5853 Peer Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Niagara Falls. A web page is being developed that will contain further information including business and operating hours, forms, by-laws and fees.

Communication to impacted industries and businesses was through an information mail out in mid-April. An information poster was also provided to Niagara Regional Police in early May to be posted at police headquarters.

The remaining communication outreach will be:

- Bell Media radio ads May 20 June 2
- Newspaper ads (Niagara-This-Week) May 23 and May 30
- Media Release May 23
- Social Media (Twitter/Facebook) May 21, May 23, May 31, June 4

The final transfer of information from Niagara Regional Police will take place on Saturday June 1<sup>st</sup> and the Region's Business Licensing office will be open for business on Tuesday June 4<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully submitted and signed by	
Angelo Apfelbaum	
Manager, Business Licensing	

From: AMO Communications < Communicate@amo.on.ca>

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May 16, 2019

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#### **AMO Matters**

Each week we will profile a key question about digital signatures. Q10: Who has access to image of seal and digital signature? <u>Click here</u> for the answer.

The 2018 Financial Information Returns of 24 municipalities are currently available to Municipal Information & Data Analysis System (MIDAS) users. Access is free to all Ontario municipalities, creating opportunities to generate reports and compare data. Browse the MIDAS brochure to see what MIDAS can do for you. To get access, email midasadmin@amo.on.ca.

#### **Eye on Events**

If you missed our first Town Hall Tuesday webinar this week, Creating Energy Efficient Municipalities, you can watch it by <u>clicking here</u>. Learn about energy efficiency for your municipality. LAS' next town hall is May 21, discussing commodities. <u>Registration</u> is free.

Register today for the <u>2019 AMO Conference in Ottawa August 18-21</u>. Municipalities are on the frontline of key public services in Ontario. Find out what that means for your community.

You will have to wait another two years to register for the Risk Management Symposium, so don't miss your chance to attend this September 12 and 13. The biennial event will take place in Rama, Ontario. Our theme is, "It's Not Science Fiction" - Learn everything from cybersecurity to cannabis. And take advantage of the accommodation discount.

ONE Investment's educational workshop is now available as an online course: self-paced, convenient and accessible. Registration for Investments 101 - The Foundation for a Municipal Investment Strategy is available until June 30, 2019. Register here.

#### Careers

<u>Applications Analyst (Housing Information Systems) - City of Hamilton</u>. Employment Term: Temporary Full-Time (Note: This vacancy is temporary for approximately twenty-four months due to special funding.) Department: Healthy & Safe Communities, Housing Services. Reports to: Program Manager, Homelessness, Policy & Programs. Please apply only online at <u>Jobs at the City</u> on or before May 22, 2019.

Road Safety Technologist # 23851 (Technologist II) - York Region. Department: Transportation Services, Roads & Traffic Operations Branch. Please <a href="mailto:apply-online">apply-online</a> by May 31, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. As an alternative, you can apply via email to <a href="mailto:careers@york.ca">careers@york.ca</a>; fax to 905.895.4232; mail or walk-in to 17250 Yonge Street, Newmarket, Ontario, L3Y 6Z1.

<u>City Manager - City of Cambridge</u>. Please contact Kartik Kumar at <u>kartik.kumar@lesp.ca</u> for more details and a complete position profile. Application Deadline - June 10, 2019.

Executive Director - Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs (OAFC). For more information about the OAFC, please visit their website. Qualified candidates are invited to apply, in confidence, to: OAFC Executive Director Search, c/o The Portage Group (Attention Jack Shand, FCMC, Executive Partner), Email: oafc@portagegroup.com. Candidates are asked to include a statement of salary expectations. Interviews are expected to occur in June.

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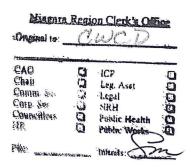
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May 10, 2019

Regional Council Members Niagara Region 1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way Thorold, ON L2V 4T7 via email and lettermail

Dear Regional Council Members:

Niagara Peninsula Fruit & Vegetable Growers' Association (NPF & VGA) represents approximately 700 growers who are engaged in the growing and marketing of fruits and vegetables in the Region of Niagara and in portions of the Regions of Hamilton-Wentworth and Haldimand-Norfolk.

At a recent Board meeting, an initiative known as "Farm 911 – the Emily Project" was discussed, and as a result, our members felt it was imperative that Regional Council be made aware of the importance of this campaign.

Farm accidents can occur in the most remote settings, making it difficult for first responders to easily locate the situation. Not all rural property entrances have 911 signage and we consider this an opportunity for significant improvements to be made to ensure that no one has to wait helplessly for first responders to find them in the event of an emergency.

Time is everything, and a civic address at the entrance to a vacant farm field could make all the difference.

This emergency awareness project officially launched at the 2017 Hastings County Plowing Match and Farm Show and has received support from various municipalities, fire departments, businesses, councillors and mayors. We ask that Niagara Region join the movement and support our farming community by urging municipalities to provide additional civic address signage for vacant farm fields as needed.

More information can be found at <a href="http://www.farm911.ca/welcome/">http://www.farm911.ca/welcome/</a>.

Yours truly,

Curtis Wiley

President, NPF & VGA

C: Keith Currie, Ontario Federation of Agriculture; Kai Wiens, Niagara Region Agricultural Task Force