

**THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA  
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

**PWC 10-2019  
Tuesday, October 8, 2019  
Council Chamber  
Niagara Region Headquarters, Campbell West  
1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way, Thorold, ON**

Committee: Bradley (Regional Chair), Chiocchio, Diodati, Edgar (Committee Vice-Chair), Fertich, Foster, Heit, Insinna, Ip, Junkin, Nicholson, Rigby (Committee Chair), Sendzik, Steele, Ugolini, Witteveen, Zalepa

Absent/Regrets: Disero, Gale

Staff: D. Ane, Manager, Program Financial Support, M. Evely, Legislative Coordinator, C. Habermebl, Director, Waste Management Services, T. Harrison, Commissioner/Treasurer, Corporate Services, A.-M. Norio, Regional Clerk, M. Robinson, Director, GO Implementation Office, C. Ryall, Director, Transportation Services, H. Talbot, Financial & Special Projects Consultant, J. Tonellato, Director, Water & Wastewater Services, R. Tripp, Commissioner, Public Works/Acting Chief Administrative Officer

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Committee Chair Rigby called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.

**2. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

**3. PRESENTATIONS**

There were no presentations.

**4. DELEGATIONS**

There were no delegations.

**5. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

**5.1 PW 58-2019**

Extension to Material Recycling Facility Operations and Processing Contracts

Moved by Councillor Ugolini  
Seconded by Councillor Edgar

That Report PW 58-2019, dated October 8, 2019, respecting Extension to Material Recycling Facility Operations and Processing Contracts, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the end date for the Agreement for the Processing and Marketing of Recyclable Materials with Niagara Employment Agency Inc., doing business as Niagara Recycling, be amended from March 5, 2021 until the Region fully transitions to producer responsibility or proceeds with a direction based on the outcome of the Material Recycling Facility (MRF) Opportunity Review **BE APPROVED**;
2. That an extension of the Fibre Processing Contract (P2013-41) with the Region of Waterloo to such date that Waterloo transitions to full producer responsibility or until the end of Waterloo's existing curbside collection contract (March 2024), whichever comes first, **BE APPROVED**;
3. That staff **BE AUTHORIZED** to negotiate terms of the extension with the Region of Waterloo in a matter mutually beneficial to both parties in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works and in a form acceptable to the Director of Legal & Court Services;
4. That the Director of Legal & Court Services **BE DIRECTED** to prepare the agreements; and
5. That the Regional Chair and CAO **BE AUTHORIZED** to execute an amending agreement with the Region of Waterloo for the processing of fibre material and Niagara Recycling for the processing and marketing of recyclable material, as approved by the Commissioner of Public Works.

**Carried**

5.2 PW 56-2019

Niagara Regional Transit Service Expansion Update

Moved by Councillor Sendzik

Seconded by Councillor Steele

That Report PW 56-2019, dated October 8, 2019, respecting Niagara Regional Transit Service Expansion Update, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That Transit Service Expansion **BE REFERRED** for consideration as part of the 2020 budget; and
2. That Report PW 56-2019 **BE DISTRIBUTED** to Local Area Municipalities for their information.

**Carried**

6. **CONSENT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

Moved by Councillor Steele

Seconded by Councillor Diodati

That the following items **BE RECEIVED** for information:

PWC-C 25-2019

Transportation Infrastructure Means Protection Update

PWC-C 26-2019

Emterra Collection Contract Update

**Carried**

7. **OTHER BUSINESS**

7.1 Traffic Improvements to Regional Road 55 (Niagara Stone Road),  
Niagara-on-the-Lake

Councillor Zalepa requested staff review the intersection of Regional Road 55 (Niagara Stone Road) and Anderson Lane to see if a traffic signal may be warranted and consider installation of an advanced green signal at Regional Road 55 (Niagara Stone Road) and East and West Line in the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake.

7.2 Community Safety Zone Open House

Councillor Foster requested an update on the Community Safety Zone Open House held in the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake. Carolyn Ryall, Director, Transportation Services, advised that the open house, held at St. David's Public School, was attended by Councillors Disero, Zalepa, and Rigby, as well as representatives from the Niagara Regional Police, District School Board of Niagara, Niagara Student Transportation Services, St. David's Ratepayers Association and staff and students of the school. She advised that staff are planning another open house for the Community Safety Zone at Twenty Valley Public School in the Town of Lincoln.

7.3 Connecting Bus Routes to Go Transit Schedules

Councillor Foster requested information respecting matching local bus routes to GO Transit schedules to ensure connections are available for those arriving in Niagara Region. Matt Robinson, Director, GO Implementation Office, advised that the Inter-Municipal Transit Working Group has been undertaking work on "bus meets train" connections in Niagara Falls and St. Catharines; however, is open to exploring connection options in other municipalities to ensure riders are able to get to where they want to go when they arrive in Niagara.

7.4 Traffic Study, City of Thorold

Councillor Ugulini requested staff review traffic in the area of Regional Road 56 (Collier Road) between Regional Road 67 (Beaverdams Road) and Highway 58 and on Regional Road 67 (Beaverdams Road) between Ormond Street South and Decew Road due to the significant growth that has occurred in this area. He also requested staff review the speed limit on Regional Road 67 (Beaverdams Road).

7.5 Inter-Change from Highway 406 to QEW

Regional Chair Bradley requested information respecting the ongoing construction on Highway 406, in particular the lengthy closure of the access to the QEW Niagara from Highway 406. Carolyn Ryall, Director, Transportation Services, advised that Transportation staff work closely with the Ministry of Transportation and will request an update on this matter.

7.6 Regional Road 84 (Moyer Road) and Regional Road 27 (Schisler Road),  
City of Welland

Councillor Chiocchio raised concerns with the backlog of traffic at the intersection of Regional Road 84 (Moyer Road) and Regional Road 27 (Schisler Road) in the City of Welland and requested information regarding intersection improvements. Carolyn Ryall, Director, Transportation Services advised that staff are continuing to monitor this intersection and that the installation of flex stakes, as an interim measure, has alleviated some of the issues. She noted that the design phase for this intersection is almost complete and monies have been included in the 2020 budget to undertake the work.

8. **CLOSED SESSION**

Moved by Councillor Foster  
Seconded by Councillor Insinna

That this Committee **DO NOW MOVE** into Closed Session for the purposes of receiving information of a confidential nature respecting:

A Matter Respecting Litigation or Potential Litigation and A Matter of Advice that is Subject to Solicitor-Client Privilege under s. 239(2) of the Municipal Act, 2001 - Burgoyne Bridge Update

**Carried**

Committee resolved into closed session at 10:11 a.m.

9. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

Committee reconvened in open session at 10:28 a.m. with the following individuals in attendance:

Committee: Bradley (Regional Chair), Chiocchio, Diodati, Edgar (Committee Vice-Chair), Fertich, Foster, Heit, Insinna, Ip, Junkin, Nicholson, Rigby (Committee Chair), Sendzik, Steele, Ugulini, Witteveen, Zalepa

Absent/Regrets: Disero, Gale

Staff: B. Brens, Associate Director, Reporting & Analysis, M. Evely, Legislative Coordinator, T. Harrison, Commissioner/Treasurer, Corporate Services, A.-M. Norio, Regional Clerk, A. Scott, Manager, Continuous Quality Improvement, R. Tripp, Commissioner, Public Works/Acting Chief Administrative Officer

Others Present: G. Ackerley and J. Scorgie, WeirFoulds LLP, External Legal Counsel

9.1 Confidential Report PW 57-2019

A Matter Respecting Litigation or Potential Litigation and A Matter of Advice that is Subject to Solicitor-Client Privilege under s. 239(2) of the Municipal Act, 2001 – Burgoyne Bridge Update

Moved by Councillor Heit  
Seconded by Councillor Foster

That Confidential Report PW 57-2019, dated October 8, 2019, respecting A Matter Respecting Litigation or Potential Litigation and A Matter of Advice that is Subject to Solicitor-Client Privilege under s. 239(2) of the Municipal Act, 2001 – Burgoyne Bridge Update, **BE RECEIVED** and the recommendations contained therein **BE APPROVED**.

**Carried**

10. **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. in the Council Chamber, Regional Headquarters.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:29 a.m.

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Councillor Rigby  
Committee Chair

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Mark Evely  
Legislative Coordinator

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Ann-Marie Norio  
Regional Clerk