

**THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES**

**COTW 9-2019
Thursday, November 7, 2019
Council Chamber
Niagara Region Headquarters, Campbell West
1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way, Thorold, ON**

Committee: Bradley (Regional Chair), Butters, Bylsma, Campion, Chiocchio, Darte, Diodati, Disero, Easton, Edgar, Fertich, Foster, Gale, Greenwood, Heit, Huson, Insinna, Ip, Junkin, Nicholson, Redekop, Rigby, Steele, Ugolini, Whalen, Witteveen, Zalepa

Absent/Regrets: Bellows, Gibson, Jordan, Sendzik, Villella

Staff: D. Barnhart, Executive Officer to the Regional Chair, H. Chamberlain, Director, Financial Management & Planning/Deputy Treasurer, M. Greenfield, Project Manager, Finance Sustainability, T. Harrison, Commissioner/Treasurer, Corporate Services, Dr. M. M. Hirji, Acting Medical Officer of Health, A. Jugley, Commissioner, Community Services, F. Meffe, Acting Director, Human Resources, R. Mostacci, Commissioner, Planning & Development Services, H. Talbot, Financial and Special Projects Consultant, M. Trennum, Deputy Regional Clerk, R. Tripp, Commissioner, Public Works/Acting Chief Administrative Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER

Regional Chair Bradley called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

2. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

See Minute Item 9.

3. PRESENTATIONS

3.1 Niagara Region Sustainability Review – Opportunities Analysis

Oscar Poloni, Managing Partner, KPMG, provided information respecting Niagara Region Sustainability Review - Opportunities Analysis. Topics of the presentation included:

- Introduction
- Key Themes
 - The Region's Services by Basis of Delivery
 - Cost of Services
 - Service Level Impacts
 - Identified Opportunities
 - Discretionary Program Reductions
 - Alternative Service Delivery
 - Integration with Local Area Municipalities
 - Operating Changes
- Priority Opportunities
- Next Steps

4. DELEGATIONS

There were no delegations.

5. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

There were no items for consideration.

6. CONSENT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

There were no consent items for information.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

There were no items of other business.

The meeting recessed at 7:47 p.m.

The meeting resumed at 7:56 p.m.

8. CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councillor Huson
Seconded by Councillor Bylsma

That Committee **DO NOW MOVE** into closed session for the purposes of receiving information of a confidential nature respecting:

A Matter Respecting Labour Relations or Employee Negotiations - Niagara Region Service Sustainability Review.

Carried

Committee resolved into closed session at 7:58 p.m.

9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION

Committee reconvened in open session at 11:02 p.m. with the following individuals in attendance:

Committee: Bradley (Regional Chair), Butters, Bylsma, Campion, Chiocchio, Darte, Diodati, Disero, Easton, Fertich, Foster, Gale, Greenwood, Heit, Huson, Insinna, Ip, Jordan, Junkin, Nicholson, Redekop, Rigby, Steele, Ugulini, Whalen, Witteveen, Zalepa

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During the closed session portion of the meeting, Councillor Edgar declared a direct pecuniary interest with respect to Confidential Report CSD 73-2019 respecting A Matter Respecting Labour Relations or Employee Negotiations: Niagara Region Service Sustainability Review.

9.1 Confidential CSD 73-2019

A Matter Respecting Labour Relations or Employee Negotiations: Niagara Region Service Sustainability Review

Moved by Councillor Gale
Seconded by Councillor Disero

That Confidential Report CSD 73-2019, dated November 7, 2019, respecting A Matter Respecting Labour Relations or Employee Negotiations: Niagara Region Service Sustainability Review, **BE RECEIVED** and the recommendations therein **BE APPROVED**, as amended.

Carried

10. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 6, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:04 p.m.

Jim Bradley
Regional Chair

Matthew Trennum
Deputy Regional Clerk

Ann-Marie Norio
Regional Clerk