

**THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA  
LINKING NIAGARA TRANSIT COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

**LNTC 7-2019  
Wednesday, November 20, 2019  
Council Chamber  
Niagara Region Headquarters, Campbell West  
1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way, Thorold, ON**

Committee: Redekop (Mayor - Fort Erie), Sendzik (Mayor - St. Catharines), Fertich (Regional Councillor), Ip (Regional Councillor), G. Miller (Municipal Councillor - St. Catharines), M. Siscoe (Municipal Councillor - St. Catharines) (Committee Chair), L. Van Vliet (Municipal Councillor - Welland) (Committee Vice-Chair), S. Chemnitz, Chief Administrative Officer (St. Catharines), M. Robinson, Director, GO Implementation Office

Absent/Regrets: Campion (Mayor - Welland), G. Long, Chief Administrative Officer (City of Welland)

Staff: M. Evely, Legislative Coordinator, C. Lam, Program Financial Analyst, K. Ranjan, Transportation Lead, GO Implementation Office, H. Talbot, Financial & Special Projects Consultant, M. Trennum, Deputy Regional Clerk

Others Present: G. Morrison, St. Catharines Transit, T. Luey, St. Catharines Transit

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Committee Chair Siscoe called the meeting to order at 2:06 p.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 LNTC-C 15-2019**

2020 Linking Niagara Transit Committee Meeting Schedule

Moved by Councillor Sendzik  
Seconded by Councillor Ip

That Report LNTC-C 15-2019, dated November 20, 2019, respecting 2020 Linking Niagara Transit Committee Meeting Dates, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendation **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the Linking Niagara Transit Committee meetings **BE HELD** on Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m. on the following dates in 2020:

January 29, April 1, May 27, July 29, September 23, and November 25.

**Carried**

**5.2 LNTC-C 16-2019**

Inter-Municipal Transit Working Group / Linking Niagara Transit Committee 2019 Work Plan Update

Moved by Councillor Fertich  
Seconded by G. Miller

That Correspondence Item LNTC-C 16-2019, being a memorandum from M. Robinson, Director, GO Implementation Office, dated November 20, 2019, respecting Inter-Municipal Transit Working Group / Linking Niagara Transit Committee 2019 Work Plan Update, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendation **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the Linking Niagara Transit Committee **ENDORSE** the Inter-Municipal Transit Working Group's 2020 Work plan.

**Carried**

**Councillor Information Request(s):**

Provide information respecting the current and future states of the Inter-Municipal Transit Project. Councillor Fertich.

**6. CONSENT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

Moved by Councillor Sendzik  
Seconded by L. Van Vliet

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

LNTC 6-2019

Linking Niagara Transit Committee Minutes - October 23, 2019

LNTC-C 17-2019

Specialized Transit Study - Update

**Carried**

**7. OTHER BUSINESS**

**7.1 Metrolinx Announcements**

Councillor Sendzik requested information respecting the Metrolinx Business Case.

Matt Robinson, Director, GO Implementation Office, advised committee members that Regional staff and representatives from Grimsby, Lincoln, St. Catharines, and Niagara Falls meet with Metrolinx regularly. He noted that the business case estimates that hourly service across the Region would cost approximately three times more than the current eleven train schedule, due to constraints when crossing the Welland Canal.

**7.2 Transportation Updates**

Matt Robinson, Director, GO Implementation Office, advised committee members that Kumar Ranjan, Manager, Transportation Systems & Planning, will be starting a new position with the City of Brampton. Matt Robinson added that Kumar was an instrumental part in the Niagara Regional Transit Pilot, and thanked him for his efforts.

**7.3 Canadian Urban Transit Association Leadership Award**

Councillor Sendzik advised committee members that St. Catharines Transit won an award in the innovation category for their mobile ticketing solution on the St. Catharines Transit app.

**8. NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 29, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:34 p.m.

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Mat Siscoe  
Committee Chair

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Matthew Trennum  
Deputy Regional Clerk

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Ann-Marie Norio  
Regional Clerk