

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

**PWC 3-2021
Tuesday, March 9, 2021
Council Chamber / Video Conference
Niagara Region Headquarters, Campbell West
1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way, Thorold, ON**

Committee Members Present in the Council Chamber: Fertich (Committee Vice Chair), Rigby (Committee Chair)

Committee Members Present via Video Conference: Bradley (Regional Chair), Chiocchio, Diodati, Disero, Edgar, Foster, Gale, Heit, Insinna, Junkin, Nicholson, Sendzik, Steele, Ugulini, Witteveen, Zalepa

Staff Present in the Council Chamber: T. Cimino, Associate Director, Water/Wastewater Engineering, M. Elia, Technology Support Analyst, A.-M. Norio, Regional Clerk, J. Tonellato, Director, Water & Wastewater Services, R. Tripp, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, B. Zvaniga, Interim Commissioner, Public Works

Staff Present via Video Conference: M. Evely, Legislative Coordinator, D. Gibbs, Director, Legal & Court Services, C. Habermebl, Director, Waste Management Services, B. Menage, Director, Procurement & Strategic Acquisition, M. Robinson, Director, GO Implementation Office, C. Ryall, Director, Transportation Services

1. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Rigby called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

It was requested that Report PW 14-2021 (Agenda Item 6.7) be dealt with immediately following the delegations on this matter.

2. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

3. PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

4. DELEGATIONS

4.1 2021 Turbo Blower Technology in Niagara Region Wastewater Treatment Plants (Report PW 14-2021 (Agenda Item 6.7))

- 4.1.1 Omar Hammoud, CEO & President, APG-Neuros, and Ed Piknovik, Sales Manager, ENV Treatment Systems Inc.

Omar Hammoud, CEO & President, APG-Neuros, and Ed Piknovik, Sales Manager, ENV Treatment Systems Inc., appeared before Committee to provide information respecting their experience with the Product Review Committee and requested that their product be considered for inclusion in the Port Dalhousie Wastewater Treatment Plant project.

- 4.1.2 Landy Lu, Business Development Manager, Sulzer Pumps Canada Inc.

Landy Lu, Business Development Manager, Edward Paro, Global Portfolio Manager, John Everhart, Regional Head of Sales, Scott Long, Product Manager, North America, and Chris Chong, Engineering Manager, Sulzer Pumps Canada Inc., appeared before the Committee to provide information respecting Sulzer Pumps Canada Inc. products.

- 4.1.3 Walter Kim, Turbowin America

Walter Kim, Turbowin America, appeared before the Committee to provide information respecting Turbowin America products.

6. CONSENT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

6.7 PW 14-2021
2021 Turbo Blower Technology in Niagara Region Wastewater Treatment Plants

Moved by Councillor Diodati
Seconded by Councillor Zalepa

That Report PW 14-2021, dated March 9, 2021, respecting 2021 Turbo Blower Technology in Niagara Region Wastewater Treatment Plants, **BE RECEIVED** for information.

Carried

Councillor Information Request(s):

Provide any available documentation outlining the role the Divisional Leadership team plays with regard to the Approved Product and Equipment List (APEL). Councillor Gale.

Provide a copy of the July 24, 2015, email from the Director of Water – Wastewater addressing the removal of the turbo blower category from the Approved Product and Equipment List (APEL) in a meeting with APG-Neuros. Councillor Gale.

5. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

5.1 PW 13-2021

Approval of Public Works Single Source Purchase Order Requests and Purchase Change Order Requests Exceeding \$100,000

Moved by Councillor Steele
Seconded by Councillor Witteveen

That Report PW 13-2021, dated March 9, 2021, respecting Approval of Public Works Single Source Purchase Order Requests and Purchase Change Order Requests Exceeding \$100,000, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendation **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the Single Source Purchase Order Requests identified in Appendix 1 of Report PW 13-2021 **BE APPROVED**.

Carried

5.2 PWC-C 13-2021

Recommendations for Consideration from the Waste Management Planning Steering Committee meeting held February 22, 2021

Moved by Councillor Nicholson
Seconded by Councillor Ugolini

That Correspondence Item PWC-C 13-2021, being a memorandum from A.-M. Norio, Regional Clerk, dated March 9, 2021, respecting Recommendations for Consideration from the Waste Management Planning Steering Committee meeting held February 22, 2021, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the Waste Management Advisory Committee (WMAC) **BE DISCONTINUED**, effective immediately;
2. For the remainder of this term of Regional Council, the past WMAC Chair and delegate **CONTINUE** as members of the Waste Management Planning Steering Committee (WMPSC);

3. For future terms of Regional Council, a formal application process for selecting two (2) citizen members to sit on the WMPSC, **BE USED**;
4. That the existing WMPSC's Terms of Reference **BE AMENDED** to include the following composition:
 - Maximum of 12 individuals, including: the Regional Chair, up to nine (9) Regional Councillors and two (2) citizen members.
5. That a complete update to the existing WMPSC's Terms of Reference **BE COMPLETED** by Niagara Region's Clerk's Department, in consultation with Waste Management staff.

Carried

6. CONSENT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

Moved by Councillor Insinna
Seconded by Councillor Disero

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

PWC-C 8-2021
Public Works Single Source Purchases Over \$100,000 - Exceptions

PWC-C 7-2021
COVID-19 Response and Business Continuity in Public Works

PWC-C 6-2021
Niagara Water Treatment Plant 2020 Summary Reports

PW 10-2021
Transit Revenue and Ridership Report

PWC-C 9-2021
Public Works Archaeological Assessment Standard Practice

PWC-C 10-2021
Water and Wastewater Services 2020 Tender Review for Valve Procurement

Carried

7. OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 Replacement of Damaged Recycling Bins

Councillor Foster raised concern with the decision to eliminate the funding for replacement recycling bins that was made as part of the 2021 budget deliberations. Catherine Habermehl, Director, Waste Management Services, advised that the annual cost of this service is approximately \$111,000.00. Councillor Foster advised that in light of the new waste management collection contract it would be reasonable to continue to fund replacement recycling bins and that he would consider bringing this forward for further discussion.

7.2 Town of Lincoln Resolution – Options for Securing Recycling Bin Contents

Councillor Foster advised Committee members of a motion passed by the Town of Lincoln respecting options to secure recycling bin contents. Catherine Habermehl, Director, Waste Management Services, advised staff were in receipt of the motion and that a report was provided to the Waste Management Planning Steering Committee regarding a completed blue box lid trial. She advised that a report would be brought to the Public Works Committee meeting being held on April 13, 2021, regarding this matter.

7.3 Environmental Assessment of Regional Road 14 (Bartlett Avenue), Town of Grimsby

Councillor Witteveen requested an update respecting the environmental assessment of the proposed Regional Road 14 (Bartlett Avenue) northbound and southbound extension into the Township of West Lincoln from the Town of Grimsby. Carolyn Ryall, Director, Transportation Services, advised that staff are currently drafting the terms of reference for the environmental assessment in consultation with the Ministry of Environment, Conservation, and Parks. She noted that an update on the project would be provided to the Committee at an upcoming meeting.

7.4 Wastewater Lagoons - Township of West Lincoln

Councillor Witteveen enquired about the process to decommission the wastewater lagoons located in Smithville and to change the property to a naturalization site. Bruce Zvaniga, Interim Commissioner, Public Works, advised that staff would provide additional information regarding the process to the Councillor.

7.5 Great Lakes Watershed Cleanup

Councillor Fertich advised that various Rotary Clubs in Niagara Region, throughout Canada and the United States would be participating in the Great Lakes Watershed Cleanup from April 17 to April 24, 2021, which coincides with Earth Day on April 22, 2021.

8. **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:48 a.m.

Councillor Rigby
Committee Chair

Mark Evely
Legislative Coordinator

Ann-Marie Norio
Regional Clerk