

**THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA  
PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL COUNCIL  
OPEN SESSION**

**CL 19-2018  
Thursday, December 13, 2018  
Council Chamber  
Niagara Region Headquarters, Campbell West  
1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way, Thorold, ON**

Council: Bradley (Regional Chair), Bellows, Butters, Bylsma, Chiocchio, Darte, Disero, Easton, Fertich, Foster, Gale, Gibson, Greenwood, Heit, Huson, Insinna, Ip, Jordan, Junkin, Nicholson, Redekop, Rigby, Sendzik, Steele, Ugulini, Villella, Whalen, Witteveen, Zalepa

Absent/Regrets: Campion, Diodati

Staff: C. Carter, General Manager, Dr. A. Feller, Associate Medical Officer of Health, T. Harrison, Commissioner/Treasurer, Enterprise Resource Management Services, A. Jugley, Commissioner, Community Services, M. Jurczyk, Director, Internal Controls & Organizational Performance, R. Mostacci, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, A.-M. Norio, Regional Clerk, J. Tamming, Director, Strategic Communications & Public Affairs, M. Trennum, Deputy Regional Clerk, R. Tripp, Commissioner, Public Works

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Regional Chair Bradley called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

**2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor Heit  
Seconded by Councillor Darte

That the Special Council Agenda CL-19-2018, **BE ADOPTED.**

**Carried**

**3. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

**4. PRESENTATIONS**

**4.1 "First Report" Niagara Region Independent External Governance Auditor**

Dr. Andrew Sancton, and Dr. Tim Cobban, Andrew Sancton Consulting Limited, provided information respecting "First Report" Niagara Region Independent External Governance Auditor. Topics of the presentation included:

1. Standing Committees
2. Frequency of Meetings
3. Advisory Committees
4. Deputy Regional Chair
5. Educational Opportunities for Regional Councillors
6. Niagara Peninsular Conservation Authority (NPCA)

Moved by Councillor Sendzik  
Seconded by Councillor Chiocchio

That Correspondence Item CL-C 72-2018, dated December 6, 2018, respecting "First Report" Niagara Independent External Governance Auditor, **BE RECEIVED** and **REFERRED** to the Corporate Services Committee for further review, and for a final report to be provided to Council by the end of the first quarter of 2019.

**Carried**

**Councillor Information Request(s):**

Consider conducting a yearly review of the Advisory Committees to monitor and ensure the relevancy of their mandate in accordance with their respective Terms of References. Councillor Nicholson.

**5. DELEGATIONS**

Moved by Councillor Greenwood  
Seconded by Councillor Insinna

That Liz Benneian, resident Town of Lincoln, **BE PERMITTED** to appear before Council as delegate respecting "First Report" Niagara Region Independent External Governance Auditor (Agenda Item 4.1).

**Carried**

5.1 "First Report" Niagara Region Independent External Governance Auditor  
(Agenda Item 4.1)

5.1.1 Liz Benneian, Resident, Town of Lincoln

Liz Benneian, Resident, Town of Lincoln, appeared before Council to address concerns with respect to the recommendations in Correspondence Item CL-C 72-2018 (Agenda Item 4.1) respecting the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority.

Moved by Councillor Rigby  
Seconded by Councillor Bellows

That Correspondence Item CL-C 80-2018, dated December 13, 2018, respecting Delegation to Regional Council - "First Report" Niagara Region Independent External Governance Auditor, **BE REFERRED** to the Corporate Services Committee.

**Carried**

6. **BY-LAWS**

Moved by Councillor Bylsma  
Seconded by Councillor Bellows

That the following Bill **BE NOW READ** and **NOW PASS**:

Bill 2018-83 - A by-law to adopt, ratify and confirm the actions of Regional Council at its special meeting held on December 13, 2018.

**Carried**

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:31 p.m.

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Jim Bradley  
Regional Chair

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Matthew Trennum  
Deputy Regional Clerk

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Ann-Marie Norio  
Regional Clerk