

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

**LNTC 1-2021
Wednesday, March 31, 2021
Council Chamber/Video Conference
Regional Headquarters, Campbell West
1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way, Thorold, ON**

Committee Members Present in the Council Chamber: M. Siscoe (Municipal Councillor - St. Catharines) (Committee Chair), M. Robinson, Director, GO Implementation Office

Committee Members Present via Video Conference: Campion (Mayor – Welland), Fertich (Regional Councillor) (Committee Vice-Chair), Redekop (Regional Councillor), Sendzik (Regional Councillor), Zalepa (Regional Councillor), G. Miller (Municipal Councillor - St. Catharines), L. Van Vliet (Municipal Councillor - Welland), S. Chemnitz, Chief Administrative Officer (City of St. Catharines), K. Todd, Chief Administrative Officer (City of Niagara Falls), R. Tripp, Acting Chief Administrative Officer (Niagara Region), S. Zorbas, Interim Chief Administrative Officer (City of Welland)

Other Councillors: Bradley (Regional Chair)

Absent/Regrets: C. Dabrowski (Municipal Councillor – Niagara Falls)

Staff Present in the Council Chamber: M. Elia, Technology Support Analyst, S. Fraser, Transportation Lead, A.-M. Norio, Regional Clerk

Staff Present via Video Conference: N. Miller, Communications Consultant, R. Salewytch, Transit Service Planning Coordinator, H. Talbot, Financial & Special Projects Consultant, L. Tracey, Project Coordinator, GO Implementation, B. Zvaniga, Interim Commissioner, Public Works

Others Present: D. Grubb, Brock University, S. Kosh, Niagara College, R. Hilson, Brock University Student Union, G. Morrison, St. Catharines Transit, R. Rehan, Brock University Student Union, D. Stuart, Niagara Falls Transit, C. Stout, Niagara Falls Transit

1. CALL TO ORDER

Ann-Marie Norio, Regional Clerk, called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

2. **DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

3. **SELECTION OF COMMITTEE CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR**

3.1 **Call for Nominations for Committee Chair**

Ann-Marie Norio, Regional Clerk, called for nominations for the position of Chair of the Linking Niagara Transit Committee for the 2021 term.

Moved by Councillor Sendzik
Seconded by L. Van Vliet

That Mat Siscoe **BE NOMINATED** as Chair of Linking Niagara Transit Committee for the 2021 term.

3.2 **Motion to Close Nominations for Committee Chair**

The Regional Clerk called a second and third time for nominations for the position of Linking Niagara Transit Committee Chair. There being no further nominations, it was:

Moved by Councillor Campion
Seconded by G. Miller

That nominations for the position of Chair of the Linking Niagara Transit Committee for the 2021 term, **BE CLOSED**.

Carried

3.3 **Voting for the Position of Committee Chair**

There being only one nominee for the position, the Regional Clerk announced that Mat Siscoe would be the Chair of the Linking Niagara Transit Committee for the 2021 term.

3.4 **Call for Nominations for Committee Vice-Chair**

Ann-Marie Norio, Regional Clerk, called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair of the Linking Niagara Transit Committee for the 2021 term.

Moved by Councillor Campion
Seconded by M. Siscoe

That Councillor Fertich **BE NOMINATED** as Vice-Chair of the Linking Niagara Transit Committee for the 2021 term.

3.5 **Motion to Close Nominations for Committee Vice-Chair**

The Regional Clerk called a second and third time for nominations for the position of Linking Niagara Transit Committee Vice-Chair.

There being no further nominations, it was:

Moved by Councillor Campion
Seconded by Councillor Sendzik

That nominations for the position of Vice-Chair of the Linking Niagara Transit Committee for the 2021 term, **BE CLOSED**.

Carried

3.6 Voting for the Position of Committee Vice-Chair

There being only one nominee for the position, the Regional Clerk announced that Councillor Fertich would be the Vice-Chair of the Linking Niagara Transit Committee for the 2021 term.

At this point in the meeting, Municipal Councillor Siscoe assumed the Chair.

4. **PRESENTATIONS**

There were no presentations.

5. **DELEGATIONS**

There were no delegations.

6. **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

There were no items for consideration.

7. **CONSENT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

7.1 LNTC-C 1-2021

Niagara Transit Governance – Detailed Phase 1 Consultation Summary

Scott Fraser, Transportation Lead, GO Implementation Office, provided information respecting Niagara Transit Governance – Detailed Phase 1 Consultation Summary. Topics of the presentation included:

- Phase 1 Roadshow Themes
 - Financial Strategy
 - Board Composition
 - Service Planning
 - Additional Feedback
- Governance Steering Committee
 - Terms of Reference
- Workshop Series

Moved by Councillor Sendzik
Seconded by G. Miller

That Correspondence Item LNTC-C 1-2021, being a memorandum from S. Fraser, Transportation Lead, GO Implementation Office, dated March 31, 2021, respecting Niagara Transit Governance - Detailed Phase 1 Consultation Summary, **BE RECEIVED** for information.

Carried

7.2 LNTC 4-2020

Linking Niagara Transit Committee Minutes - November 25, 2020

Moved by Councillor Redekop
Seconded by Councillor Zalepa

That Minutes LNTC 4-2020, being the minutes of the Linking Niagara Transit Committee meeting held on November 25, 2020, **BE RECEIVED** for information.

Carried

8. **OTHER BUSINESS**

There were no items of other business.

9. **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 28, 2021, at 2:00 p.m.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Mat Siscoe
Committee Chair

Matthew Trennum
Deputy Regional Clerk

Ann-Marie Norio
Regional Clerk