

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

**CL 5-2019**

**Thursday, February 14, 2019**

**Council Chamber**

**Niagara Region Headquarters, Campbell West  
1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way, Thorold, ON**

Council: Bradley (Regional Chair), Butters, Bylsma, Campion, Chiocchio, Darte, Disero, Easton, Edgar, Fertich, Foster, Gibson, Greenwood, Heit, Huson, Ip, Junkin, Insinna, Nicholson, Redekop, Steele, Ugulini, Villella, Whalen, Zalepa

Absent/Regrets: Bellows, Diodati, Gale, Jordan, Rigby, Sendzik, Witteveen

Staff: H. Chamberlain, Director, Financial Management & Planning/Deputy Treasurer, C. Habermebl, Acting Commissioner, Public Works, T. Harrison, Commissioner/Treasurer, Enterprise Resource Management Services, M. Murphy, Associate Director, Budget Planning & Strategy, A.-M. Norio, Regional Clerk, J. Tonellato, Director, Water and Wastewater, M. Trennum, Deputy Regional Clerk, R. Tripp, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Regional Chair Bradley called the meeting to order at 5:11 p.m.

**2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**2.1 Changes in Order of Items**

There were no changes in the order of items on the agenda.

Moved by Councillor Insinna

Seconded by Councillor Edgar

That the Council Agenda CL 5-2019, **BE ADOPTED.**

**Carried**

**3. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

4. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

4.1 **BRCOTW 02-2019**

Minutes BRCOTW 02-2019, Thursday, January 24, 2019

Moved by Councillor Zalepa

Seconded by Councillor Bylsma

That Report BRCOTW 02-2019, being the minutes of the Budget Review Committee of the Whole meeting held on Thursday, January 24, 2019, **BE RECEIVED** and the recommendations contained therein **BE APPROVED**.

**Carried**

4.1.1 Minute Item 5.1 respecting 2019 Budget - Water and Wastewater Operating Budget, Rate Setting and Requisition

Moved by Councillor Redekop

Seconded by Councillor Villella

That each recommendation of Report CSD 8-2019 - **REVISED BE CONSIDERED** separately.

**Carried**

The recommendations contained in Minute Item 5.1 were considered separately as follows:

That Report CSD 8-2019, dated January 24, 2019, respecting 2019 Budget-Water and Wastewater Operating Budget, Rate Setting and Requisition, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the 2019 net Water & Wastewater operating budget increase of \$1,667,883 or 1.50% over 2018 operating budget **BE APPROVED** in accordance with Council approved guidance.

**Carried**

2. That the 2019 net Water & Wastewater operating budget be increased by an additional \$555,961 for 0.50% over 2018 operating **BE APPROVED** in accordance with Council approved additional guidance.

**Carried**

3. That the total 2019 net Water & Wastewater operating budget be increased by an additional \$3,502,611 or 3.15% above Council guidance, **BE APPROVED.**

Recorded Vote:

Yes (14): Bylsma, Dart, Edgar, Fertich, Foster, Gibson, Greenwood, Insinna, Junkin, Nicholson, Steele, Ugolini, Whalen, Zalepa.

No (9): Butters, Campion, Chiocchio, Disero, Easton, Heit, Ip, Redekop, Villella.

**Carried**

4. That the 2019 gross Water Operations operating budget of \$44,652,514 and net budget in the amount of \$44,238,899 as outlined in Appendix VI to Report CSD 8-2019 for the Water Budget, Rates and Requisition **BE APPROVED.**

Recorded Vote:

Yes (14): Bylsma, Dart, Edgar, Fertich, Foster, Gibson, Greenwood, Insinna, Junkin, Nicholson, Steele, Ugolini, Whalen, Zalepa.

No (9): Butters, Campion, Chiocchio, Disero, Easton, Heit, Ip, Redekop, Villella.

**Carried**

5. That the proposed fixed water requisition shown in Table 3 of Report CSD 8-2019, based on 25% of the Region's water net operating budget for the year and divided by 12 to determine the monthly charge, to be billed to each of the serviced Local Area Municipalities starting January 1, 2019, apportioned based on their previous 3 year's average water supply volumes, **BE APPROVED.**

**Carried**

6. That the Region's proposed 2019 variable water rate of \$0.580, shown in Table 4 of Report CSD 8-2019, to be effective January 1, 2019 and calculated by taking 75% of the Region's water net operating budget and dividing by the estimated supply volume, to be billed on a monthly basis to each serviced Local Area Municipality based on the previous month's metered flows, **BE APPROVED.**

**Carried**

7. That the 2019 gross Wastewater Operations operating budget of \$76,105,449 and net budget in the amount of \$72,679,758 as outlined in Appendix VI to Report CSD 8-2019 for the Wastewater Budget, Rates and Requisition **BE APPROVED.**

Recorded Vote:

Yes (14): Bylsma, Darte, Edgar, Fertich, Foster, Gibson, Greenwood, Insinna, Junkin, Nicholson, Steele, Ugulini, Whalen, Zalepa.

No (9): Butters, Campion, Chiocchio, Disero, Easton, Heit, Ip, Redekop, Villella.

**Carried**

8. That the proposed 2019 fixed wastewater requisition as shown in Table 5 of report CSD 8-2019, based on 100% of the Region's net operating budget for the year and divided by 12 to determine the monthly charge, to be billed to each of the Local Area Municipalities starting January 1, 2019, apportioned based on their previous 3 year's average wastewater supply volumes, **BE APPROVED.**

**Carried**

9. That the 2019 wastewater monthly bills **INCLUDE** reconciliation for the 2017 net requisition allocation based on actual wastewater flows versus the estimated flows, as shown in Table 6 of Report CSD 8-2019.

**Carried**

10. That the necessary by-laws **BE PREPARED** and **PRESENTED** to Council for consideration.

**Carried**

11. That a copy of Report CSD 8-2019 **BE CIRCULATED** to the Local Area Municipalities.

**Carried**

4.1.2 Balance of Recommendations from Budget Review Committee of the Whole

The Regional Chair called the vote on the balance of the recommendations from the Budget Review Committee of the Whole and declared it,

**Carried**

**5. CLOSED SESSION**

Council did not resolve into closed session.

**6. BY-LAWS**

**6.1 Bill 2019-12**

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

Bill 2019-12

A by-law to set the requisition to be charged for water supplied to lower-tier municipalities for the period January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019.

Recorded Vote:

Yes (14): Bylsma, Darte, Edgar, Fertich, Foster, Gibson, Greenwood, Insinna, Junkin, Nicholson, Steele, Ugulini, Whalen, Zalepa.

No (9): Butters, Campion, Chiocchio, Disero, Easton, Heit, Ip, Redekop, Villella.

**Carried**

6.2 Bill 2019-13

Moved by Councillor Heit  
Seconded by Councillor Greenwood

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

Bill 2019-13

A by-law to set the requisition to be charged for wastewater received from lower-tier municipalities for the period January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019.

Recorded Vote:

Yes (15): Bylsma, Darte, Edgar, Fertich, Foster, Gibson, Greenwood, Insinna, Junkin, Nicholson, Steele, Ugulini, Villella, Whalen, Zalepa.

No (8): Butters, Campion, Chiocchio, Disero, Easton, Heit, Ip, Redekop.

**Carried**

6.3 Bill 2019-14

Moved by Councillor Villella  
Seconded by Councillor Fertich

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

Bill 2019-14

A by-law to adopt the 2019 Waste Management Budget for The Regional Municipality of Niagara.

**Carried**

6.4 Bill 2019-15

Moved by Councillor Ugulini  
Seconded by Councillor Foster

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

Bill 2019-15

A by-law to adopt, ratify and confirm the actions of Regional Council at its second special meeting held on February 14, 2019.

**Carried**

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5.32 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