

**THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA
WASTE MANAGEMENT PLANNING STEERING COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

**WMPSC 3-2022
Monday, June 20, 2022
Meeting held by Video Conference**

Committee Members: Councillors Edgar, Fertich, Gibson, Ugulini (Committee Chair), Witteveen (Committee Vice-Chair); J. Bacher, H. Washuta

Absent/Regrets: Bradley (Regional Chair), Butters, Diodati, Rigby

Staff Members: K. Ashbridge, Supervisor, Waste Management Services, Z. Fryer, Waste Management Engagement & Education Coordinator, C. Habermebl, Director, Waste Management Services, J. Mazurek, Policy & Planning Program Manager, Waste Management Services, L. McGovern, Program Manager, Waste Management Services, S. McPetrie, Waste Management Services Advisor, E. Prpic, Associate Director, Waste Disposal Operations & Engineering, S. Tait, Program Manager, Waste Management Services, L. Torbicki, Manager, Waste and Policy Planning, C. Ventura, Legislative Coordinator, A. Wheaton, Program Financial Specialist

1. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Ugulini called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.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 WMPSC-C 16-2022

Partnership with District School Board of Niagara for "The Broken Spoke" Program

Moved by Councillor Gibson
Seconded by Councillor Fertich

That Report WMPSC-C 16-2022, dated June 20, 2022, respecting Partnership with District School Board of Niagara for "The Broken Spoke" Program, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendation **BE APPROVED**:

That the Waste Management Planning Steering Committee **RECOMMEND** to Public Works Committee the following:

1. That Niagara Region **ENTER** into a Permission to Enter Agreement with the District School Board of Niagara to support "The Broken Spoke" bicycle refurbishing program at participating high schools in Niagara; and
2. That the Director of Waste Management Services **BE AUTHORIZED** to execute the Permission to Enter Agreement and any documents related thereto in a form satisfactory to the Director of Legal and Court Services.

Carried

5.2 WMPSC-C 18-2022

Set-Out Service Review and Options to Add Leaf and Yard Waste Collection to the Service

Moved by Councillor Witteveen
Seconded by Councillor Gibson

That Report WMPSC-C 18-2022, dated June 20, 2022, respecting Set-Out Service Review and Options to Add Leaf and Yard Waste Collection to the Service, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendation **BE APPROVED**:

That the Waste Management Planning Steering Committee **RECOMMEND** to Public Works Committee the following:

1. That the current set-out collection service level **BE MAINTAINED** and not be expanded to include leaf and yard waste materials.

Carried

6. CONSENT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

Moved by Councillor Edgar
Seconded by Councillor Gibson

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

WMPSC-C 14-2022
Q1 Recycling Centre and Market Update

WMPSC-C 15-2022
Councillor Information Request

WMPSC-C 20-2022
Curbside Recycling and Organics Containers - Outreach to Students

Carried

7. OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 Blue Box Program Transition Update

Councillor Witteveen requested information respecting the blue box program transition. Catherine Habermehl, Director, Waste Management Services, reiterated concerns with the Ontario Government's changes to the regulations and the ability for municipalities to start transition activities on July 1, 2023. She also advised that one of the Producer Responsibility Organizations (PROs) issued a Master Service Agreement (MSA) to municipalities respecting recycling collection, and a RFP respecting the operation of receiving facilities on behalf of producers. Staff have significant concerns with both items and have shared those concerns with the PRO directly, through the Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO) and other industry organizations. The PRO has advised that a new MSA will be released shortly and Staff will continue to update Committee as discussions progress.

7.2 City of Thorold Town and Gown Meeting

Councillor Ugulini requested that Waste Management staff attend the City of Thorold Town and Gown meeting being held on Monday August 22, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Monday August 22, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

Councillor Ugulini
Committee Chair

Chris Ventura
Legislative Coordinator

Ann-Marie Norio
Regional Clerk