

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

**PWC 4-2024**

**Tuesday, April 9, 2024**

**Council Chamber - In Person and Electronic Meeting  
Niagara Region Headquarters, Campbell West  
1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way, Thorold, ON**

Committee: Bateman\*, Bradley (Regional Chair)\*, Chiocchio\*, Foster, Gale, Grant\*, Huson, Insinna (Committee Vice-Chair), Junkin\*, Morocco\*, Seaborn, Siscoe\*, Sorrento\*, Steele, Ugulini, Witteveen (Committee Chair), Zalepa\*

Other Councillors: Ganann\*

Absent/Regrets: Diodati, Easton, Heit, Rigby, Villella

Staff: C. Courteau, Associate Director, Water Wastewater Integrated Systems, A. Deschenes, Waste Wastewater Engagement & Education Coordinator, S. Fraser, Associate Director, Transportation Planning, D. Gibbs, Director, Legal & Court Services, C. Habermehl, Acting Commissioner, Public Works, T. Harrison, Commissioner/Treasurer, Corporate Services\*, R. Hill, Legislative Assistant, P. Lambert, Acting Director, Waste Wastewater Services, B. Menage, Director, Procurement & Strategic Acquisitions\*, R. Muzzell, Manager, Program Financial Support\*, A.-M. Norio, Regional Clerk, J. Spratt, Legislative Coordinator, F. Tassone, Director, Transportation Services, R. Tripp, Chief Administrative Officer, M. Vink, Manager, Court Services\*

\* indicates members who participated electronically, all other members participated in person

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

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

**2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT**

Committee Chair Witteveen read the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

3. **DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

4. **PRESENTATIONS**

There were no presentations.

5. **DELEGATIONS**

There were no delegations.

6. **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

6.1 **PW 8-2024**

Electrical Electronic Equipment (EEE) Regulation - Lighting Materials

Moved by Councillor Seaborn

Seconded by Councillor Huson

That Report PW 8-2024, dated April 9, 2024, respecting Electrical Electronic Equipment (EEE) Regulation – Lighting Materials, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the Director of Waste Management **BE AUTHORIZED** to execute an agreement with Product Care Association of Canada for the collection and funding of designated lighting materials under the Electrical and Electronic Equipment Regulation (O.Reg. 522/20) made under *the Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act, 2016*, in a form satisfactory to the Director of Legal and Court Services; and
2. That the Director of Waste Management **BE AUTHORIZED** to negotiate and execute future agreement(s) with one or more producers and/or Producer Responsibility Organizations for the collection and funding of designated lighting materials under the Electrical and Electronic Equipment Regulation (O.Reg. 522/20) made under the Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act, 2016, provided that any such agreement(s) provide compensation to Niagara Region for the collection, haulage, proper recycling and/or disposal of designated lighting materials in accordance with a Council approved program; and are in a form satisfactory to the Director of Legal and Court Services.

**Carried**

6.2 PW 9-2024

Regional Road 98 Montrose Road Reconstruction Increase to Approved Budget for Contract 2021-T-269

Moved by Councillor Gale

Seconded by Councillor Foster

That Report PW 9-2024, dated April 9, 2024, respecting Regional Road 98 Montrose Road Reconstruction Increase to Approved Budget for Contract 2021-T-269, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That a capital budget adjustment in the amount of \$2,664,034 gross and \$0 net **BE RECEIVED** (and **INITIATED**) for the Road Widening and Reconstruction of Regional Road 98 (Montrose Road), Regional Road 47 (Lyons Creek Road) and Biggar Road in the City of Niagara Falls with funding from the City of Niagara Falls; and
2. That Contract 2021-T-269 Road Widening and Reconstruction of Regional Road 98 (Montrose Road), Regional Road 47 (Lyons Creek Road) and Biggar Road in the City of Niagara Falls, awarded to Beam-Rankin Joint Venture Ltd. in the amount of \$30,646,492 (including 13% HST), **BE INCREASED** by \$3,578,963 (including 13% HST), for a total revised Contract of \$34,225,455 (including 13% HST).

**Carried**

6.3 PW 10-2024

South Niagara Wastewater Treatment Solution – Award Notice for Detailed Design and Construction Services for the South Niagara Wastewater Treatment Plant and Outfall

Moved by Councillor Ugolini

Seconded by Councillor Steele

That Report PW 10-2024, dated April 9, 2024, respecting South Niagara Wastewater Treatment Solution – Award Notice for Detailed Design and Construction Services for the South Niagara Wastewater Treatment Plant and Outfall, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendation **BE APPROVED**:

1. That Contract 2023-RFP-176 Detailed Design and Construction Services for the South Niagara Wastewater Treatment Plant and Outfall **BE AWARDED** to Stantec Consulting Inc. as the highest ranked proponent in the competitive request for proposal process at their bid price of \$12,617,193.85 (including 13% HST) for Phase 1 Design.

**Carried**

#### 6.4 PW 11-2024

Vision Zero: Automated Speed Enforcement Preliminary Results and Next Steps

Moved by Councillor Insinna  
Seconded by Councillor Steele

That Report PW 11-2024, dated April 9, 2024, respecting Vision Zero: Automated Speed Enforcement Preliminary Results and Next Steps, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That Regional Council **AUTHORIZE** the expansion of the Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) program by four (4) cameras annually in 2025 and 2026, subject to confirmation of available funding from fine collections, to improve road safety in the 12 Community Safety Zones (CSZs) previously approved by PW 34-2023 and in approximately 12 additional CSZs on local road networks; and
2. That the Commissioner of Public Works **BE AUTHORIZED** to enter an extension of the agreement with Redflex Traffic Systems (Canada) Limited, in a form satisfactory to the Director of Legal and Court Services, for an extended term of approximately 60 months from date of execution, in the amount of an upset limit of \$1,863,835 (including 13% HST).

**Carried**

#### **Councillor Information Request(s):**

Ensure Regional Councillors are notified of service disruptions with the online ticket payment system. Councillor Bateman.

6.5 PW 12-2024

Extension to 2023-T-38 Supply & Delivery of Ferric Chloride

Moved by Councillor Insinna  
Seconded by Councillor Seaborn

That Report PW 12-2024, dated April 9, 2024, respecting Extension to 2023-T-38 Supply & Delivery of Ferric Chloride, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That Contract 2023-T-38 – Supply and Delivery of Ferric Chloride with Fanchem Ltd. (dba PVS Benson) **BE EXTENDED** under the same terms and conditions, as outlined in Report PW 2024, for the one (1) year optional extension at the total estimated cost of \$4,019,930 including 13% HST; and
2. That the Chief Administrative Officer **BE AUTHORIZED** to approve the issuance of a Purchase Order to effect the extension of the contract.

**Carried**

7. **CONSENT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

7.1 PW 7-2024

2024 Niagara Children's Water Festival Update

Moved by Councillor Insinna  
Seconded by Councillor Steele

That Report PW 7-2024, dated April 9, 2024, respecting 2024 Niagara Children's Water Festival Update, **BE RECEIVED**.

**Carried**

8. **OTHER BUSINESS**

8.1 Wastewater Vacuum Truck Verbal Update

Frank Tassone, Director, Transportation Services, provided an update respecting the wastewater vacuum truck. Director Tassone advised that staff are continuing to work with the vendor to get the vacuum truck in service as soon as possible and are reviewing next steps with the vendor and Legal Services. It was noted that once the vehicle is in service, additional information would come forward including rationale for providing this service in-house or contracting it out.

8.2 Road Markings – Regional Road 116 (Sodom Road) City of Niagara Falls

Councillor Gale requested an update on the double solid line road markings on Regional Road 116 (Sodom Road) near Mann Street. Frank Tassone, Director, Transportation Services, advised Committee that this area is being prioritized and markings should be in place in the next 8-10 weeks, following the line painting contract being issued and the streets being cleaned.

8.3 Regional Road 116 (Gorham Road), Town of Fort Erie

Councillor Insinna requested a review of Regional Road 116 (Gorham Road) in the Town of Fort Erie, following concerns respecting traffic volumes from the QEW to Crystal Beach. Frank Tassone, Director, Transportation Services, advised that the Town had previously undertaken a study which would be reviewed as part of the Region's Transportation Master Plan update.

8.4 Vandalism on Regional Property

Councillor Huson requested information on the financial impacts of vandalism to regional property. Ron Tripp, Chief Administrative Officer, advised that information would be provided to Committee respecting the estimated annual budget impact that vandalism has on the organization.

9. **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 7, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. in the Council Chamber, Regional Headquarters.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

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Councillor Witteveen  
Committee Chair

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Jenna Spratt  
Legislative Coordinator

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Ann-Marie Norio  
Regional Clerk