

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

**PWC 6-2019
Tuesday, June 11, 2019
Council Chamber
Niagara Region Headquarters, Campbell West
1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way, Thorold, ON**

Committee: Bradley (Regional Chair), Chiocchio, Disero, Edgar (Committee Vice-Chair), Fertich, Foster, Heit, Insinna, Ip, Junkin, Nicholson, Sendzik, Steele, Ugulini, Witteveen, Zalepa

Absent/Regrets: Diodati, Gale, Rigby (Committee Chair)

Staff: M. Evelyn, Administrative Assistant to the Regional Clerk, D. Gibbs, Director, Legal & Court Services, J. Gilston, Legislative Coordinator, C. Habermebl, Acting Commissioner, Public Works, T. Harrison, Commissioner/Treasurer, Enterprise Resource Management Services, A.-M. Norio, Regional Clerk, M. Robinson, Director, GO Implementation Office, C. Ryall, Director, Transportation Services, J. Tonellato, Director, Water & Wastewater Services, R. Tripp, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, S. Wood, Legal Counsel

1. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Vice-Chair Edgar called the meeting to order at 9:30 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 PW 29-2019

Award of Tender 2019-T-157 Reconstruction of Regional Road 38 (Martindale Road) from Fourth Avenue to Barton Street, in the City of St. Catharines

Moved by Councillor Sendzik
Seconded by Councillor Heit

That Report PW 29-2019, dated June 11, 2019, respecting Award of Tender 2019-T-157 Reconstruction of Regional Road 38 (Martindale Road) from Fourth Avenue to Barton Street, in the City of St. Catharines, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendation **BE APPROVED**:

1. That Contract 2019-T-157 (RN19-57) Reconstruction of Regional Road 38 (Martindale Road) From Fourth Avenue to Barton Street, in the City of St. Catharines, **BE AWARDED** to Rankin Construction Inc. at their bid price of \$10,336,851.65 (including 13% HST).

Carried

Councillor Information Request(s):

Provide communication material respecting the Martindale Road reconstruction to the St. Catharines Regional Councillors. Councillor Sendzik.

5.2 PW 30-2019

Joint Canadian Urban Transit Association Reporting Memorandum of Understanding

Moved by Councillor Ip
Seconded by Councillor Foster

That Report PW 30-2019, dated June 11, 2019, respecting Joint Canadian Urban Transit Association Reporting Memorandum of Understanding, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the Chief Administrative Officer **BE AUTHORIZED** to execute an agreement to establish the commitment by the Town of Lincoln, City of Port Colborne, and Niagara Region to consolidate Canadian Urban Transit Association (CUTA) statistics reporting for the purpose of increasing the respective shares of Provincial Gas Tax (PGT) between 2020 and 2023;

2. That Niagara Region staff **BE DIRECTED** to report transit statistics in consolidation with the City of Port Colborne and Town of Lincoln to maximize PGT funding from the Ministry of Transportation (MTO); and
3. That Report PW 30-2019 **BE CIRCULATED** to the Town of Lincoln and the City of Port Colborne.

Carried

5.3 PW 33-2019

Traffic Speed Concerns, Regional Road 12 (Mountain Road), Town of Grimsby

Moved by Councillor Fertich

Seconded by Councillor Insinna

That Report PW 33-2019, dated June 11, 2019, respecting Traffic Speed Concerns, Regional Road 12 (Mountain Road), Town of Grimsby, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That a speed limit reduction on Regional Road 12 (Mountain Road) from 200 metres north of Elm Tree Road to Kemp Road **BE APPROVED**, reducing the posted speed limit to 60km/h; and
2. That the necessary by-law **BE PREPARED** and **PRESENTED** to Council for consideration.

Moved by Councillor Fertich

Seconded by Councillor Chiocchio

That the motion **BE AMENDED** to add clause #3:

3. That staff **BE DIRECTED** to include the painting of double sided lines on Regional Road 12 (Mountain Road), between Kemp Road and Elm Tree Road, as part of the speed reduction options.

Defeated

The Committee Vice-Chair called the vote on the motion as follows:

That Report PW 33-2019, dated June 11, 2019, respecting Traffic Speed Concerns, Regional Road 12 (Mountain Road), Town of Grimsby, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That a speed limit reduction on Regional Road 12 (Mountain Road) from 200 metres north of Elm Tree Road to Kemp Road **BE APPROVED**, reducing the posted speed limit to 60km/h; and
2. That the necessary by-law **BE PREPARED** and **PRESENTED** to Council for consideration.

Carried

5.4 PW 34-2019

Regional Road 18 (Ontario Street) Speed Limit Adjustment, Town of Lincoln

Moved by Councillor Zalepa
Seconded by Councillor Nicholson

That Report PW 34-2019, dated June 11, 2019, respecting Regional Road 18 (Ontario Street) Speed Limit Adjustment, Town of Lincoln, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That a speed limit reduction on Regional Road 18 (Ontario Street) from the QEW to Canadian National Railway crossing in the Town of Lincoln **BE APPROVED**, reducing the speed from 60 km/h to 50 km/h; and
2. That the necessary by-law **BE PREPARED** and **PRESENTED** to Regional Council for consideration.

Carried

5.5 PW 37-2019

Appointments to Sub-committees – Niagara Road 12 Landfill Site Public Liaison Committee and the Regional Niagara Active Transportation Sub-committee

Moved by Councillor Ugulini
Seconded by Councillor Witteveen

That Report PW 37-2019, dated June 11, 2019, respecting Appointments to Sub-committees – Niagara Road 12 Landfill Site Public Liaison Committee and the Regional Niagara Active Transportation Sub-committee, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendation **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the recommendations contained in Confidential Appendix I to Report PW 37-2019, **BE APPROVED**, confirming the citizen appointments for the remainder of this term of Council to the Niagara Road 12 Landfill Site Public Liaison Committee and the Regional Niagara Active Transportation Sub-committee.

Carried

5.6 PWC-C 14-2019

Recommendations for Consideration from the Waste Management Planning Steering Committee meeting held April 29, 2019

Moved by Councillor Insinna
Seconded by Councillor Steele

That Correspondence Item PWC-C 14-2019, being a memorandum from A.-M. Norio, Regional Clerk, dated June 11, 2019, respecting Recommendations for Consideration from the Waste Management Planning Steering Committee meeting held April 29, 2019, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

That Report WMPSC-C 16-2019, dated April 29, 2019, respecting Proposed Curbside Waste Diversion Container Distribution Program, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendation **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the changes to the Curbside Waste Diversion Container Distribution program, as outlined in Report WMPSC-C 16-2019, **BE APPROVED**; and
2. That staff **BE DIRECTED** to report any additional proposed amendments to the Curbside Waste Diversion Container Distribution program once a final decision is made regarding service levels for the next waste collection contract to the Waste Management Planning Steering Committee.

Carried

6. **CONSENT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

Moved by Councillor Ugulini
Seconded by Councillor Zalepa

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

PWC-C 15-2019

Safety Concerns, Regional Road 69 (Pelham Road) in the vicinity of Vansickle Road, City of St. Catharines

PWC-C 16-2019

Road Safety, Intersection of Regional Road 27 (Schisler Road) and Regional Road 84 (Moyer Road), City of Welland

PWC-C 17-2019

Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program Projects Intake - 2019

PWC-C 18-2019

Water Capital Variance Project Transactions – January to April, 2019

Carried

7. OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 Emterra Environmental Update

The Committee Vice-Chair advised that the Emterra Environmental Update was moved to the closed session portion of the meeting.

7.2 Road Design and Speed Limits

Councillor Steele requested staff consider the review of municipal roads and speed limits as part of the development process to ensure that existing roads are able to accommodate traffic increases and the speed limit is appropriate.

7.3 Road Safety Concerns

Committee members requested staff review road safety concerns in the following areas:

Town of Fort Erie

- Off-ramp intersection from the QEW on Bowen Road
- Intersection of Burleigh Road North and Dominion Road
- Intersection of Farr Avenue and Elmwood Avenue

Town of Niagara-on-the Lake

- Speed limit on Regional Road 55 (Niagara Stone Road) between Line 1 and Garrison Village Drive
- Installation of advanced left turn signal on Regional Road 55 (Niagara Stone Road) at East and West Line

7.4 Wastewater Treatment Plants, Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake

Councillor Zalepa requested staff provide information respecting vendors accessing Region wastewater treatment plants and if there are any vendors that are prohibited from delivering waste. Catherine Habermehl, Acting Commissioner, Public Works, advised that vendors may access the facilities during regular operating hours and arrangements could be made for access outside of those times and that there are no vendors that are currently prohibited. Vendors retained by the Region must provide proper documentation, including insurance and proof of Worker Safety Insurance Board (WSIB) coverage.

7.5 Long-Term Waste Management Planning

Councillor Zalepa requested that staff review options for environmentally-friendly alternatives to landfills. Catherine Habermehl, Acting Commissioner, Public Works, advised that staff were reviewing alternative technologies and that a waste management strategic plan would be started in Q4 2019.

7.6 Water Main Break, Ontario Street, Town of Lincoln

Councillor Foster expressed concern with the lack of communication respecting the recent water main break on Ontario Street in the Town of Lincoln. Ron Tripp, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, apologized for the lack of communication to Councillors on this matter and advised that in the future those Councillors affected would be notified.

7.7 Pedestrian Safety Regional Road 38 (Martindale Road) and Regional Road 87 (Main Street), City of St. Catharines

Councillor Sendzik requested staff provide a report respecting the implementation of a pedestrian crossing near the intersection of Regional Road 87 (Main Street) and Regional Road 38 (Martindale Road) near Cole Farm Boulevard.

8. CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councillor Zalepa
Seconded by Councillor Insinna

That this Committee **DO NOW MOVE** into Closed Session for the purposes of receiving information of a confidential nature respecting:

Confidential Verbal Update - A Matter of Litigation or Potential Litigation – Emterra Contract; and

Confidential PW 31-2019 - A Matter of Advice that is Subject to Solicitor-Client Privilege - 2019 Waste Collection RFP

Carried

Committee resolved into closed session at 10:54 a.m.

9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION

Committee reconvened in open session at 11:35 a.m. with the following individuals in attendance:

Committee: Bradley (Regional Chair), Chiocchio, Disero, Edgar (Committee Vice-Chair), Fertich, Foster, Heit, Insinna, Ip, Junkin, Nicholson, Sendzik, Steele, Ugulini, Witteveen, Zalepa

Absent/Regrets: Diodati, Gale, Rigby (Committee Chair)

Staff: D. Ane, Manager, Program Financial Support, D. Gibbs, Director, Legal & Court Services, J. Gilston, Legislative Coordinator, C. Habermehl, Acting Commissioner, Public Works, T. Harrison, Commissioner/Treasurer, Enterprise Resource Management Services, A.-M. Norio, Regional Clerk, S. Tait, Acting Manager Waste Policy & Planning, R. Tripp, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, A. Tyldesley, Associate Director, Waste Collection and Diversion

9.1 Confidential Verbal Update

A Matter of Litigation or Potential Litigation - Emterra Contract

Moved by Councillor Nicholson
Seconded by Councillor Insinna

That the Confidential Verbal Update regarding a Matter of Litigation or Potential Litigation – Emterra Contract, **BE RECEIVED** for information.

Carried

9.2 Confidential PW 31-2019

A Matter of Advice that is Subject to Solicitor-Client Privilege - 2019 Waste Collection RFP

Moved by Councillor Steele
Seconded by Councillor Fertich

That Confidential PW 31-2019, dated June 11, 2019, respecting a Matter of Advice that is Subject to Solicitor-Client Privilege – 2019 Waste Collection RFP, **BE REFERRED** to the Regional Council meeting being held on June 20, 2019.

Carried

10. **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 9, 2019, at 9:30 a.m. in the Council Chamber, Regional Headquarters.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:37 a.m.

Councillor Edgar
Committee Vice-Chair

Jonathan Gilston
Legislative Coordinator

Ann-Marie Norio
Regional Clerk