

**THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA
PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

PEDC 06-2019

Wednesday, June 12, 2019

Council Chamber

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

Committee: Bradley (Regional Chair), Butters, Bylsma, Dart (Committee Vice-Chair), Easton, Foster, Greenwood, Heit, Junkin, Redekop, Rigby, Ugulini, Witteveen

Absent/Regrets: Bellows, Campion, Diodati, Huson (Committee Chair), Sendzik, Zalepa

Staff: E. Acs, Manager, Community Planning, P. Busnello, Manager, Development Planning, M. Evelyn, Administrative Assistant to the Regional Clerk, D. Gibbs, Director, Legal & Court Services, D. Giles, Director, Community & Long Range Planning, J. Gilston, Legislative Coordinator, D. Heyworth, Official Plan Policy Consultant, V. Kuhns, Acting Director, Economic Development, P. Lambert, Director, Infrastructure Planning & Development Engineering, D. Morreale, Director, Development Approvals, R. Mostacci, Commissioner, Planning & Development Services, A.-M. Norio, Regional Clerk, A. Tikky, Planner, Planning and Development Services

1. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Vice-Chair Dart called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

2. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

3. **PRESENTATIONS**

3.1 Agriculture in Niagara

Linda Grimo and Chris Mullet Koop, Niagara North Federation of Agriculture, provided information respecting Agriculture in Niagara. Topics of the presentation included:

- Farming in Niagara
- Mission Statement
- Niagara North Board of Directors
- Membership
- Events

3.2 2018 End Of Year Growth Report (Agenda Item 6.1)

Greg Bowie, Planner, provided information respecting 2018 End of Year Growth Plan. Topics of the presentation included:

- Population Trends
- Building Activity
- Housing Market
- Building Permit Values

There being no objection, Report PDS 21-2019 (Agenda Item 6.1) was considered at this time.

6. **CONSENT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

6.1 PDS 21-2019

2018 End Of Year Growth Report

Moved by Councillor Heit

Seconded by Councillor Greenwood

That Report PDS 21-2019, dated June 12, 2019, respecting 2018 End Of Year Growth Report, **BE RECEIVED** and **CIRCULATED** to the Local Area Municipalities, Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority, Niagara Home Builders Association, Niagara Industrial Association, local Chambers of Commerce and School Boards.

Carried

4. **DELEGATIONS**

There were no delegations.

5. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

5.1 PDS 23-2019

Recommendation Report for Regional Official Plan Amendment (ROPA)
13 - Transportation Policies

Moved by Councillor Greenwood
Seconded by Councillor Foster

That Report PDS 23-2019, dated June 12, 2019, respecting
Recommendation Report for Regional Official Plan Amendment (ROPA)
13 - Transportation Policies, **BE RECEIVED** and the following
recommendation **BE APPROVED**:

1. That Regional Official Plan Amendment 13 – Transportation Policies
BE ADOPTED under Section 26 of the *Planning Act*.

Carried

5.2 PDS 25-2019

Citizen Appointments to Sub-committees – Agricultural Policy & Action
Committee, Culture Committee, Smarter Niagara Steering Committee

Moved by Councillor Rigby
Seconded by Councillor Bylsma

That Report PDS 25-2019, dated June 12, 2019, respecting Citizen
Appointments to Sub-committees – Agricultural Policy & Action
Committee, Culture Committee, Smarter Niagara Steering Committee, **BE
RECEIVED** and the following recommendation **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the recommendations contained in Confidential Appendix I to
Report PDS 25-2019, **BE APPROVED**, confirming the citizen
appointments for the remainder of this term of Council to the
Agricultural Policy and Action Committee, Culture Committee and
Smarter Niagara Steering Committee.

Carried

6. CONSENT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

6.2 PDS 26-2019

Implications of Bill 108: *More Homes, More Choice Act, 2019*

Moved by Councillor Heit

Seconded by Councillor Easton

That Report PDS 26-2019, dated June 12, 2019, respecting Implications of Bill 108: *More Homes, More Choice Act, 2019*, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That staff **BE DIRECTED** to continue to provide detailed comments on Bill 108 and any associated matters, as needed;
2. That a copy of Report PDS 26-2019 **BE CIRCULATED** to local area municipal Planning Directors, Area Treasurers, CAOs, and MPPs; and
3. That staff **REPORT** any further material legislative changes in Bill 108 that may arise in the future to Council.

Carried

7. OTHER BUSINESS

There were no items of other business.

8. CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councillor Bylsma

Seconded by Councillor Ugolini

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

A Matter of Litigation or Potential Litigation - Appeal to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal of West Lincoln Council Decision on Zoning By-law Amendment Application 1601-001-19, 5154 Regional Road 20, Township of West Lincoln

Carried

Committee resolved into closed session at 2:50 p.m.

9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

Committee reconvened in open session at 3:28 p.m. with the following individuals in attendance:

Committee: Butters, Bylsma, Dart (Committee Vice-Chair), Easton, Foster, Greenwood, Heit, Redekop, Rigby, Ugulini, Witteveen

Absent/Regrets: Bellows, Bradley (Regional Chair), Campion, Diodati, Huson (Committee Chair), Junkin, Sendzik, Zalepa

Staff: P. Busnello, Manager, Development Planning, M. Evely, Administrative Assistant to the Regional Clerk, D. Gibbs, Director, Legal & Court Services, D. Giles, Director, Community & Long Range Planning, J. Gilston, Legislative Coordinator, V. Kuhns, Acting Director, Economic Development, P. Lambert, Director, Infrastructure Planning & Development Engineering, D. Morreale, Director, Development Approvals, R. Mostacci, Commissioner, Planning & Development Services, A.-M. Norio, Regional Clerk

9.1 Confidential PDS 24-2019

A Matter of Litigation or Potential Litigation - Appeal to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal of West Lincoln Council Decision on Zoning By-law Amendment Application 1601-001-19, 5154 Regional Road 20, Township of West Lincoln

Moved by Councillor Ugulini
Seconded by Councillor Foster

That Confidential PDS 24-2019, dated June 12, 2019, respecting A Matter of Litigation or Potential Litigation - Appeal to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal of West Lincoln Council Decision on Zoning By-law Amendment Application 1601-001-19, 5154 Regional Road 20, Township of West Lincoln, **BE RECEIVED** and that staff **PROCEED** as directed in closed session.

Carried

10. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 10, 2019, at 1:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, Regional Headquarters.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:31 p.m.

Councillor Darte
Committee Vice-Chair

Jonathan Gilston
Legislative Coordinator

Ann-Marie Norio
Regional Clerk