

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

CL 15-2019

Thursday, August 15, 2019

Council Chamber

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

Council: Bradley (Regional Chair), Bellows, Butters, Bylsma, Chiocchio, Darte, Diodati, Edgar, Fertich, Foster, Greenwood, Huson, Insinna, Ip, Jordan, Nicholson, Redekop, Rigby, Sendzik, Steele, Ugulini, Villella, Whalen, Witteveen

Absent/Regrets: Campion, Disero, Easton, Gale, Gibson, Heit, Junkin, Zalepa

Staff: D. Barnhart, Executive Officer to the Regional Chair, J. Bax, Business Improvement Program Manager, H. Chamberlain, Director, Financial Management & Planning/Deputy Treasurer, K. DeLong, Manager, Internal Controls and Organizational Performance, S. Dupuis, Corporate Performance Specialist, Dr. A. Feller, Associate Medical Officer of Health, D. Gibbs, Director, Legal & Court Services, T. Harrison, Commissioner/Treasurer, Corporate Services, A. Jugley, Commissioner, Community Services, V. Kuhns, Acting Director, Economic Development, F. Meffe, Acting Director, Human Resources, R. Mostacci, Commissioner, Planning & Development Services, A.-M. Norio, Regional Clerk, C. Selig, Planning Lead, GO Implementation Office, M. Trennum, Deputy Regional Clerk, R. Tripp, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Regional Chair Bradley called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

2. **LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT STATEMENT**

Councillor Jordan read the Land Acknowledgment Statement.

3. **MOMENT OF REFLECTION**

Councillor Chiocchio read the moment of reflection.

4. **SINGING OF 'O CANADA'**

Regional Chair Bradley asked all in attendance to stand for the singing of 'O Canada'.

5. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor Huson
Seconded by Councillor Chiocchio

That Council Agenda CL 15-2019, **BE ADOPTED.**

Carried

6. **DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

7. **PRESENTATIONS**

There were no presentations.

8. **CHAIR'S REPORTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, REMARKS**

The Regional Chair made various announcements related to activities and events he attended throughout the Region.

9. **DELEGATIONS**

There were no delegations.

10. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Moved by Councillor Butters
Seconded by Councillor Foster

That Minutes CL 13-2019 being the Open Session minutes of the Regular Regional Council meeting held on Thursday, July 18, 2019 and Minutes CL 14-2019 being the Open and Closed Session minutes of the Special Regional Council meeting held on Thursday, August 1, 2019, **BE ADOPTED.**

Carried

11. **CORRESPONDENCE**

11.1 **Receive and/or Refer**

There were no correspondence items to receive and/or refer.

11.2 For Consideration

11.2.1 CLK 12-2019

Citizen Committee on Council Remuneration

Moved by Councillor Steele

Seconded by Councillor Insinna

That Report CLK 12-2019, dated August 15, 2019, respecting Citizen Committee on Council Remuneration, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the terms of reference contained in Appendix I to Report CLK 12-2019, for the Citizen Committee on Council Remuneration **BE APPROVED**; and
2. That the recommendation contained in Confidential Appendix II to Report CLK-12-2019, **BE APPROVED**, confirming the citizen appointments for the Citizen Committee on Council Remuneration.

Carried

11.2.2 CL-C 53-2019

Request for Appointment to the Smarter Niagara Steering Committee

Moved by Councillor Foster

Seconded by Councillor Butters

That Correspondence Item CL-C 53-2019, being a memorandum from A.-M. Norio, Regional Clerk, dated August 15, 2019, respecting Request for Appointment to Smarter Niagara Steering Committee, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendation **BE APPROVED**:

1. That Councillor Huson **BE APPOINTED** to the Smarter Niagara Steering Committee, effective immediately.

Carried

12. COMMITTEE REPORTS - OPEN SESSION

12.1 Procedural By-law Review Committee

Minutes PBLRC 3-2019, Tuesday, July 30, 2019

Moved by Councillor Edgar
Seconded by Councillor Whalen

That Report PBLRC 3-2019 being the Open Session minutes of the Procedural By-law Review Committee meeting held on Tuesday, July 30, 2019, **BE RECEIVED** and the recommendations contained therein **BE APPROVED**.

Carried

12.2 Committee of the Whole

Minutes COTW 6-2019, Thursday, August 1, 2019

Moved by Councillor Insinna
Seconded by Councillor Steele

That Report COTW 6-2019 being the Open Session minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held on Thursday, August 1, 2019, **BE RECEIVED** and the recommendations contained therein **BE APPROVED**.

Carried

12.3 Public Works Committee

Minutes PWC 8-2019, Tuesday, August 6, 2019

Moved by Councillor Rigby
Seconded by Councillor Edgar

That Report PWC 8-2019 being the Open and Closed Session minutes of the Public Works Committee meeting held on Tuesday, August 6, 2019, **BE RECEIVED** and the recommendations contained therein **BE APPROVED**.

Carried

12.4 Public Health and Social Services Committee

Minutes PHSSC 8-2019, Tuesday, August 6, 2019

Moved by Councillor Chiocchio
Seconded by Councillor Villella

That Report PHSSC 8-2019 being the Open Session minutes of the Public Health & Social Services Committee meeting held on Tuesday, August 6, 2019, **BE RECEIVED** and the recommendations contained therein **BE APPROVED**.

12.4.1 Minute Item 7.1 respecting Lyme Disease

The recommendation contained in Minute Item 7.1 was considered separately as follows:

1. That Regional Council **REQUEST** the Ontario College of Family Physicians share what is being done to educate and ensure local family physicians follow best practice guidelines with respect to Lyme disease diagnosis and treatment.

Moved by Councillor Nicholson
Seconded by Councillor Ugolini

That the motion **BE AMENDED** by adding the following clauses:

2. ***That the Ministry of Health BE REQUESTED to undertake a comprehensive review of the effectiveness of Lyme disease diagnosis methods and treatment options in jurisdictions outside of Ontario and Canada in comparison to diagnosis and treatment in Ontario and share such results with Niagara Region; and***
3. ***That the Ministry of Health BE REQUESTED to research Lyme disease risk reduction strategies in addition to the promotion of individual best practices and Lyme disease avoidance measures.***

Carried

The Regional Chair called the vote on the motion, as amended, as follows:

1. That Regional Council **REQUEST** the Ontario College of Family Physicians share what is being done to educate and ensure local family physicians follow best practice guidelines with respect to Lyme disease diagnosis and treatment;
2. That the Ministry of Health **BE REQUESTED** to undertake a comprehensive review of the effectiveness of Lyme disease diagnosis methods and treatment options in jurisdictions outside of Ontario and Canada in comparison to diagnosis and treatment in Ontario and share such results with Niagara Region; and
3. That the Ministry of Health **BE REQUESTED** to research Lyme disease risk reduction strategies in addition to the promotion of individual best practices and Lyme disease avoidance measures.

Carried

12.4.2 Balance of the recommendations from Public Health and Social Services Committee

The Regional Chair called the vote on the balance of the recommendations from the Public Health and Social Services Committee and declared it,

Carried

12.5 Corporate Services Committee

Minutes CSC 8-2019, Wednesday, August 7, 2019

Moved by Councillor Foster
Seconded by Councillor Ugolini

That Report CSC 8-2019 being the Open and Closed Session minutes of the Corporate Services Committee meeting held on Wednesday, August 7, 2019, **BE RECEIVED** and the recommendations contained therein **BE APPROVED**.

Carried

12.6 Planning and Economic Development Committee

Minutes PEDC 8-2019, Wednesday, August 7, 2019

Moved by Councillor Huson
Seconded by Councillor Insinna

That Report PEDC 8-2019 being the Open Session minutes of the Planning & Economic Development Committee meeting held on Wednesday, August 7, 2019, **BE RECEIVED** and the recommendations contained therein **BE APPROVED**.

Carried

13. CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT(S)

13.1 CAO 9-2019

Shape Niagara – Corporate Implementation Plan

Kristen Delong, Manager, Internal Controls and Organization Performance, provided information respecting Shape Niagara - Corporate Implementation Plan. Topics of the presentation included:

- Executing Council's Strategic Plan
- Project Based Implementation Plan
- Priority 1: Supporting Businesses and Economic Growth
- Priority 2: Healthy and Vibrant Community
- Priority 3: Responsible Growth and Infrastructure Planning
- Priority 4: Sustainable and Engaging Government
- Next Steps

Moved by Councillor Bellows
Seconded by Councillor Rigby

That Report CAO 9-2019, dated August 15, 2019, respecting Shape Niagara – Corporate Implementation Plan, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendation **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the Corporate Implementation Plan drafted by the Corporate Leadership Team to action Niagara Region's 2019-2022 Council Strategic Plan found in Appendix 1 of Report CAO 09-2019 **BE APPROVED**.

At this point in the meeting, Regional Chair Bradley requested Councillor Rigby assume the chair.

Acting Chair Rigby called the vote on the motion as follows:

That Report CAO 9-2019, dated August 15, 2019, respecting Shape Niagara – Corporate Implementation Plan, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendation **BE APPROVED**:

2. That the Corporate Implementation Plan drafted by the Corporate Leadership Team to action Niagara Region’s 2019-2022 Council Strategic Plan found in Appendix 1 of Report CAO 09-2019 **BE APPROVED**.

Carried

13.2 CAO 10-2019

Niagara Regional Housing Alternative Service Delivery: Model and Implementation Plan Recommendations

Donna Woiceshyn, Chief Executive Officer, Niagara Regional Housing, and Adrienne Jugley, Commissioner, Community Services, provided information respecting Niagara Regional Housing Alternative Service Delivery: Model and Implementation. Topics of the presentation included:

- ASD History and Timeline
- Government Policies and Directives
- Benefits of Service Integration
- Alignment with Government Policy: Coordinated Housing Access and Human Services Integration
- Developing Implementation Policy - Project Methodology & Life Cycle
- Opportunities to Optimize Services: A Vision for the Future

At this point in the meeting, Regional Chair Bradley assumed the chair.

Moved by Councillor Sendzik
Seconded by Councillor Insinna

That Report CAO 10-2019, dated August 15, 2019, respecting Niagara Regional Housing Alternative Service Delivery: Model and Implementation Plan Recommendations, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That Council **APPROVE** the implementation plan for the “fully integrated model” as the preferred model for Niagara’s delivery of social housing, over the previously considered “hybrid model” with a target implementation date of January 1, 2020;

2. That Niagara Region staff, upon approval of this model by Council, **BE DIRECTED** to initiate implementation plans including a human resources transition plan and draft revisions to legal agreements through a team approach led by Niagara Regional Housing's CEO and Niagara Region's Commissioner of Community Services who will seek input from and provide direction to Niagara Region's human resources staff and Legal Counsel as well as such other staff as required for the preparation of the required plans, revisions and agreements; and
3. That the human resources transition plan and form of revised legal documentation **BE RETURNED** to the NRH Board of Directors and Council for final approval prior to implementation.

Carried

Councillor Information Request(s):

Provide information respecting the total cost of the consultant report.
Councillor Redekop.

14. MOTIONS

There were no motions for consideration.

15. NOTICES OF MOTION

There were no notices of motion.

16. OTHER BUSINESS

16.1 Provincial Review of Regional Governance.

Members enquired about the items discussed at the recent meeting of the Niagara Mayors with respect to the Provincial Review of Regional Governance.

17. CLOSED SESSION

Council did not resolve into closed session.

18. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Council did not resolve into closed session.

19. BY-LAWS

Moved by Councillor Nicholson
Seconded by Councillor Greenwood

That the following Bills **BE NOW READ** and **DO PASS**:

Bill 65-2019

A by-law to amend By-law No. 09-2016, being a by-law to govern the execution of documents and to delegate certain administrative powers and duties to staff and to repeal By-law 126-2011.

Bill 66-2019

A by-law to adopt, ratify and confirm the actions of Regional Council at its meeting held on August 15, 2019.

Carried

20. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

Jim Bradley
Regional Chair

Matthew Trennum
Deputy Regional Clerk

Ann-Marie Norio
Regional Clerk