

**THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA
JOINT BOARD OF MANAGEMENT - NIAGARA COURTS
MINUTES**

**JBM 1-2024
Thursday, February 1, 2024
Meeting held by electronic participation**

Committee: J. Bartol (West Lincoln), K. Douglas (St. Catharines), D. Gibbs (Niagara Region), J. Simpson (Thorold), M. Tardif (Wainfleet)

Absent/Regrets: N. Punyarthi (Niagara Falls), C. Woodsford (Welland)

Staff: S. Fraser, Associate Director, Transportation Planning, T. Harrison, Commissioner/Treasurer, Corporate Services, K. Lotimer, Deputy Regional Clerk, R. Muzzell, Manager, Program Financial Support, M. Vink, Manager, Court Services

1. CALL TO ORDER

Kelly Lotimer, Deputy Regional Clerk, called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m.

2. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

3. SELECTION OF BOARD CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

3.1 Call for Nominations for Board Chair

Kelly Lotimer, Deputy Clerk, called for nominations for the position of Chair of the Joint Board of Management - Niagara Courts for 2024.

Moved by K. Douglas

Seconded by J. Bartol

That Mark Tardif **BE NOMINATED** as Chair of the Joint Board of Management - Niagara Courts for 2024.

3.2 Motion to Close Nominations for Board Chair

Kelly Lotimer, Deputy Clerk, called a second and third time for nominations for the position of Chair of the Joint Board of Management - Niagara Courts. There being no further nominations, it was:

Moved by J. Simpson
Seconded by D. Gibbs

That nominations for the position of Chair of the Joint Board of Management - Niagara Courts **BE CLOSED**.

Carried

3.3 Voting for the Position of Board Chair

There being only one nominee for the position, Ms. Lotimer announced that Mark Tardif would be the Chair of the Joint Board of Management - Niagara Courts for 2024.

3.4 Call for Nominations for Board Vice-Chair

Kelly Lotimer, Deputy Clerk, called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair of the Joint Board of Management - Niagara Courts for 2024.

Moved by D. Gibbs
Seconded by M. Tardif

That Jason Simpson **BE NOMINATED** for the position of Vice-Chair of the Joint Board of Management - Niagara Courts for 2024.

3.5 Motion to Close Nominations for Board Vice-Chair

Kelly Lotimer, Deputy Clerk, called a second and third time for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair of the Joint Board of Management - Niagara Courts. There being no further nominations, it was:

Moved by D. Gibbs
Seconded by K. Douglas

That nominations for the position of Vice-Chair of the Joint Board of Management - Niagara Courts **BE CLOSED**.

Carried

3.6 Voting for the Position of Board Vice-Chair

There being only one nominee for the position, Ms. Lotimer announced that Jason Simpson would be the Vice-Chair of the Joint Board of Management - Niagara Courts for 2024.

At this point in the meeting, Mark Tardif assumed the chair.

4. PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

5. DELEGATIONS

There were no delegations.

6. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

6.1 JBM-C 1-2024

2024 Joint Board of Management Meeting Dates

Moved by D. Gibbs

Seconded by K. Douglas

That Memorandum JBM-C 1-2024, dated February 1, 2024, respecting 2024 Joint Board of Management Meeting Dates, **BE RECEIVED**; and

That the Joint Board of Management Niagara Courts meetings **BE HELD** on Thursdays at 3:30 p.m. on the following dates in 2024:

April 18, August 22, October 17, November 28.

Carried

6.2 JBM-C 2-2024

Court Services Write-Off Recommendations for the Period ending December 31, 2023

Moved by D. Gibbs

Seconded by K. Douglas

That Report JBM-C 2-2024, dated February 1, 2024, respecting Court Services Write-Off Recommendations for the Period Ending December 31, 2023, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendation **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the delinquent cases summarized in the Analysis Section of Report JBM-C 2-2024, **BE APPROVED** for write-off and removal from the Integrated Court Offences Network (ICON) system in accordance with the Ministry of the Attorney General (MAG) *Provincial Offences Act* Write-off Directive and Operating Guideline and the Niagara Region Courts approved write off criteria.

Carried

7. CONSENT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

7.1 JBM-C 3-2024

Council Approval of 2024 Court Services Budget

Moved by J. Simpson

Seconded by K. Douglas

That Memorandum JBM-C 3-2024, dated February 1, 2024 respecting Council Approval of 2024 Court Services Budget, **BE RECEIVED** for information.

Carried

7.2 JBM 5-2023

Joint Board of Management - Niagara Courts Minutes - September 18, 2023

Moved by K. Douglas

Seconded by D. Gibbs

That Minutes JBM 5-2023, being the minutes of the Joint Board of Management – Niagara Courts meeting held on September 18, 2023, **BE RECEIVED** for information.

Carried

8. OTHER BUSINESS

8.1 Vision Zero Update

Miranda Vink, Manager, Court Services, provided an update of the Vision Zero Road Safety Initiative, advising that Automated Speed Enforcement launched on September 8, 2023, and Red Light Cameras are set to launch in the first quarter of 2024.

9. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 18, 2024 at 3:30 p.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:58 p.m.

Mark Tardif
Board Chair

Kelly Lotimer
Deputy Regional Clerk

Ann-Marie Norio
Regional Clerk