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## **THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA**

### **COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

#### **REPORT 7-2004**

Minutes of a meeting of the Community Services Committee held in Committee Room 4, Regional Municipal Building, Thorold, Ontario, on April 19, 2004, commencing at 3:10 p.m.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Committee: Councillors Marshall, Vice-Chair presiding; Partington, Regional Chair; Almas; Baty; Casselman; Katzman.

Staff: Mr. Trojan, C.A.O.; Ms. Reid, Commissioner of Community Services; Ms. Reilly, Legislative Assistant.

#### **Staff**

Part-time: Mr. Banting, Director, Legal Services; Mr. Bousfield, Manager, Property and Facilities Management; Mr. Gilroy, Coordinator Properties; Ms. Heidebrecht, Director, Children's Services; Mr. Hutchings, Director, Social Assistance & Employment Opportunities; Mr. Sidawi, Director, Operational Support Services, P.W.; Mr. Ventresca, Director, Seniors Services.

Others: Councillors Saracino and Timms.

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

#### 50. Contract Extension for Incontinence Management Program

Moved by Councillor Baty  
Seconded by Councillor Katzman

That Report COM 24-2004, April 19, 2004 (CSD 46-2004, April 14, 2004) respecting Contract Extension for Incontinence Management Program, be received for information.

Carried.

51. Request for Capital Budget Allocation and Financing Approval  
For Projects from the 2004 Community Services Capital Programs

Moved by Councillor Casselman  
Seconded by Councillor Baty

That Report COM 25-2004, April 19, 2004 (CSD 55-2004, April 14, 2004) respecting Request for Capital Budget Allocation and Financing Approval for Projects from the 2004 Community Services Capital Programs, be received.

That a capital budget allocation in the gross and net amount of \$499,500 be approved for the Community Services Capital Program as submitted in the 2004 Capital Budget and summarized in appendix 1.

That approval be given to fund the projects with \$499,500 from the Capital Levy Reserve.

That surplus debenture financing of \$80,000 and Capital Levy Reserve financing of \$30,757 for a total of \$110,757 be transferred from SC9707 Roofs Sunset Haven to SC0302 – Upper Canada Lodge Roof Replacement and Renovation.

That the Regional Clerk be directed to ensure that the appropriate By-laws are prepared for presentation to Regional Council.

Carried.

52. Seniors Services Volunteer Program Achievements 2003

Moved by Councillor Almas  
Seconded by Councillor Katzman

That Report COM 29-2004, April 19, 2004, respecting Seniors Services Volunteer Program Achievements 2003, be received for information.

Carried.

53. Oral Report:  
Woodlands of Sunset

Mr. Ventresca, Director, Seniors Services, advised that the last of the new seniors facilities, The Woodlands of Sunset, is scheduled for an Open House on Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. A tour of the facilities by the Regional Chair and Members of Council is also scheduled for Friday, May 14<sup>th</sup> and to include volunteers in a ceremony at that time. Residents are scheduled to move into the new residence during the week of May 17<sup>th</sup>.

54. Children's Services: Report on Summit on Human  
Development – Federal/Provincial Changes/Funding

Moved by Councillor Baty  
Seconded by Councillor Katzman

That Report COM 26-2004, April 19, 2004, respecting Children's Services: Report on Summit on Human Development – Federal/Provincial Changes/Funding, be received for information.

That Community Services Committee approve in principle, Niagara's strategy for the anticipated 2004 Multi-Lateral Federal funding for child care.

Carried.

55. Letter of Interest in Participating in the  
Provincial Rent Bank Program

Moved by Councillor Katzman  
Seconded by Regional Chair Partington

That Report COM 27-2004, April 19, 2004, respecting Letter of Interest in participating in the Provincial Rent Bank Program, be received for information.

Carried.

56. Announcement of Energy Emergency Fund

Moved by Councillor Baty  
Seconded by Regional Chair Partington

That Report COM 28-2004, April 19, 2004, respecting Announcement of Energy Emergency Fund, be received for information.

Carried.

**MINUTES**

57. Moved by Regional Chair Partington  
Seconded by Councillor Katzman

That the following minutes be received:

Report 8-2003 Minutes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting of December 9, 2003

Report 1-2004 Minutes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting of January 23, 2004

Report 2-2004 Minutes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting of March 5, 2004

Carried.

**ACCOUNTS**

58. Moved by Councillor Baty  
Seconded by Regional Chair Partington

That the Accounts Payable Expenditure Summary for the period ending February 29, 2004 in the amount of \$2,962,325.92 be approved.

Carried.

**CLOSED SESSION**

59. Moved by Councillor Baty  
Seconded by Regional Chair Partington

That this Committee do now meet in Closed Session for purposes of receiving information of a confidential nature relating to a property matter.

Carried.

60. Oral Report:  
Surplus Property

Moved by Councillor Baty  
Seconded by Regional Chair Partington

That the Oral Report by Mr. Banting, Director, Legal Services, regarding Surplus Property, be received.

Carried.

61. Moved by Regional Chair Partington  
Seconded by Councillor Baty

That this Committee do now rise with report.

Carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Committee adjourned at 4:20 p.m. to meet again on Monday, April 26, 2004 at 3:00 p.m. in Committee Room 4, Regional Headquarters Building.

George Marshall  
Vice-Chair

Gail Reilly  
Legislative Assistant

Pam Gilroy  
Acting Regional Clerk