



THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA
PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE

FINAL AGENDA 09-2005

Tuesday, May 31, 2005
1:30 p.m.
Committee Room 4
2201 St. David's Road

1. 1:30 p.m.

PRESENTATION

John Slobodzian, Project Co-ordinator
Linda McAusland, Manager
Ministry of Transportation
Provincial & Environmental Planning Office
"Overview of Environmental Assessment Process
as it applies to the Niagara GTA Corridor project"

2. 1:45 p.m.

DELEGATION

Dan O'Hara
Elm St. Landfill Site/Compost Facility
Public Liaison Committee (PLC) Co-Chair
Re: PWA Report 89-2005 REVISED
Modifications to Niagara's Organic Waste
Collection and Composting Program

3. 2:00 p.m.

DELEGATION

Chado Brcic
Director, Water & Wastewater Services
Re: PWA Report 100-2005
Ownership and Responsibility for Sewage
Pumping Stations and Conveyance Pipes

4. 2:15 p.m.

DELEGATION

Chado Brcic
Director, Water & Wastewater Services
Re: PWA Report 101-2005
Update on Follow-Up Actions Regarding the
Wainfleet Servicing Class Environmental
Assessment (EA), Township of Wainfleet

5. **DEFERRED REPORT**

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| PWA 69-2005 | Assumption of Local Roads from the City of Port Colborne |
| - | Deferred at the May 10, 2005 PWC meeting
Refer to PWC 26-2005 which provides the additional information requested. |

6. **REPORTS**

a) **Administration**

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| PWA Summary | Reports for Committee Consideration |
| PWC Summary | Correspondence |

b) **Progress Reports**

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| PWP 37-2005 | Construction Progress Report
Waste Management Services Capital Projects |
| PWP 38-2005 | Public Works Staff Comments on
Development and Related Proposals |
| PWP 39-2005 | Collection Contractors –
2005 First Quarter Performance |
| PWP 40-2005 | Public Works Staff Comments on Municipal
Servicing Applications |
| PWP 41-2005 | Construction Progress Report
Water and Wastewater Services |
| PWP 42-2005 | Community Odour Surveys – April 2005,
Elm Street Compost Facility |

7. **MINUTES**

- Regional Niagara Humberstone Landfill Site Public Liaison Committee, held November 1, 2004
- Niagara Region Elm Street Landfill Site/Compost Site Public Liaison Committee (PLC), held April 13, 2005
- Regional Niagara Bicycling Committee, held April 14, 2005
- Waste Management Planning Steering Committee, held May 10, 2005
- Niagara-Hamilton WastePlan, Joint Working Group, held January 20, 2005
- Niagara-Hamilton WastePlan, Joint Working Group, held March 10, 2005
- Niagara-Hamilton WastePlan, Joint Working Group, held April 14, 2005

8. **OTHER BUSINESS**

9. **REPORTS (CLOSED SESSION)**

10. **NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, June 21, 2005, 1:30 p.m., Committee Room 4

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA
Public Works Department

REPORT TO: Chair and Members of the
Public Works and Utilities Committee

SUBJECT: **Staff Recommendations**

We submit the following staff recommendations for consideration:

Modifications to Niagara's Organic Collection and Composting Program
PWA 89-2005 REVISED

That increased emphasis be placed on communications and advertising of backyard composting and for the voluntary elimination of grass clippings from the organics collection program and for the use of paper bags for leaf and yard waste for the balance of 2005.

That a permanent ban on the collection of grass clippings and the use of plastic bags for collection of leaf and yard waste be implemented, effective April 1, 2006.

That the Elm Street Odour Abatement Plan of Action be implemented to provide the contingency to ensure an odour event similar to the one that occurred in 2004 does not re-occur and to restrict the volume of organics at the Elm Street compost facility during peak periods with the balance diverted to alternate locations, including but not necessarily limited to the Region's other private sector composting facility.

That the Elm Street landfill site be closed to all waste management uses upon reaching final approved landfill contours.

That the Commissioner of Public Works be authorized to prepare and issue an R.F.P. for a long term alternative composting operations contract that reflects improved composting technology, is consistent with the current direction of the Province (MOE) in setting a goal of diverting 60% of Ontario's waste from disposal by 2008, is cost effective and affordable.

That the Commissioner of Public Works be authorized to initiate negotiations with CMA for the early termination of the existing compost services agreement at Elm Street to provide the flexibility and opportunity to transfer composting operations to an alternate long term facility as per the R.F.P. at the earliest possible date.

And that staff continue to monitor, respond and record all odour complaints, and that such data be provided monthly to the Public Works and Utilities Committee, the Elm Street Public Liaison Committee and through newspaper notices to residents in Port Colborne and Welland. (Waste Management Services)

Expansion of GO Transit Commuter Bus Services into Niagara

PWA 91-2005

That the following recommendations, as approved by the Transportation Strategy Steering Committee at its April 19, 2005 meeting, be recommended to Regional Council:

That copies of the report "Inter-Regional Rail, Bus and Ferry Passenger Services Study" (dated May 2004) prepared by ENTRA Consultants for the Region of Niagara be forwarded to the management and Board of GO Transit with a request that GO Transit initiate actions to finalize plans for the implementation of scheduled GO Bus services into Niagara within the next two years; and

That the Regional Council of Niagara agree-in-principle to cost-share the extension of commuter bus services into Niagara by funding one-third of capital costs associated with the provision of services and negotiate with GO or its agents agreements to share the costs of operating deficits associated with the start up and operation of commuter bus services into Niagara. (Transportation Services)

Transfer of Funds for Waste Management Capital Programs

PWA 92-2005 (CSD 72-2005)

That the following recommendations be presented to standing committees Public Works and Utilities Committee and the Corporate and Financial Services Committee for discussion purposes and forwarded to Regional Council for decision:

That previously approved long term financing (1-10 years) in the amount of \$17,625 be transferred from Project ZGL0011 / GL0011 Perry Landfill Site Closure Works to Project ZGL0306 / GL0306 Facility/ Site Maintenance Program.

That previously approved long term financing (1-10 years) in the amount of \$10,303 be transferred from Project ZGL0011 / GL0011 Perry Landfill Site Closure Works to Project ZGL0213 / GL0213 New Compost Facility, Bridge Street Landfill Site.

That previously approved long term financing (1-10 years) in the amount of \$2,702 be transferred from Project ZGL0011 / GL0011 Perry Landfill Site Closure Works to Project ZGL0305 / GL0305 Equipment Repairs / Replacements.

That previously approved long term financing (1-10 years) in the amount of \$882 be transferred from Project ZGL0011 / GL0011 Perry Landfill Site Closure Works to Project ZGL0003 / GL0003 Improvements to Composting Facilities.

That previously approved long term financing (1-10 years) in the amount of \$11,183 be transferred from Project ZGL0011 / GL0011 Perry Landfill Site Closure Works to Project ZGL0002 / GL0002 Improvements to Reuse Centre.

That the projects included within this report, with the exception of Project ZGL0011 be subsequently closed following the transfer of funding and issuance of the long term debt.

That the Regional Clerk / Associate Director of Corporate Strategy be directed to ensure that the appropriate bylaws are prepared for presentation to Regional Council. (Operational Support Services)

Wind Energy Niagara Partnership

PWA 93-2005 (CSD 73-2005)

That the following recommendations be presented to standing committees Public Works and Utilities Committee and Corporate and Financial Services Committee for discussion purposes and forwarded to Regional Council for decision:

That staff be authorized to negotiate a partnership agreement with Rankin Construction Inc. to establish a corporate entity for the provision of wind energy in Niagara. (Operational Support Services)

Regional Niagara Bicycling Committee Terms of Reference

PWA 94-2005

That the attached draft Terms of Reference for the Regional Niagara Bicycling Committee be approved. (Transportation Services)

Reconstruction of Regional Road No. 20

Land Exchange – Westerra Equities Corp., Town of Pelham

PWA 95-2005

That an untravelled portion of Regional Road No. 20 be declared surplus and closed in accordance with the Municipal Act 2001 and conveyed to the adjoining property owner, Westerra Equities Corp., in exchange for lands required for the widening of Regional Road No. 20, in the Town of Pelham. (Operational Support Services)

Shared Service Agreement,

Niagara Region and Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority Maintenance –
Glenridge Quarry Naturalization Site, City of St. Catharines

PWA 96-2005

That the Regional Municipality of Niagara enter into a shared service agreement with the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority with respect to the maintenance of the Glenridge Quarry Naturalization Site in St. Catharines; and

That the Clerk be directed to ensure that the appropriate by-law authorizing the Chair and Clerk to execute the agreement on behalf of the Regional Municipality of Niagara is presented to Council on June 9, 2005. (Waste Management Services)

Retention of Engineering Consultant, Groundwater Remediation
Niagara Recycling Centre, Niagara Falls, Niagara Region Contract No. RN 05-16
PWA 97-2005

That XCG Consultants Ltd. be retained to carry out the pre-design of the groundwater remediation works at the Niagara Recycling Centre in Niagara Falls at an estimated cost of \$39,200 with the fees being calculated on a time-plus disbursement basis;

That the costs of said pre-design be recovered from funds held pursuant to the Escrow Agreement dated May 5, 2003 between the Regional Municipality of Niagara, E. S. Fox Limited and Anthony W. Pylypuk, escrow agent;

That the Clerk be directed to ensure that the appropriate by-law authorizing the Chair and Clerk to execute the agreement on behalf of the Regional Municipality of Niagara is presented to Council on June 9, 2005; and

That the project cost be charged against Project ID ZGL0216/GL0216 Niagara Enviro-Centre - Niagara Falls. (Waste Management Services)

Contract RN 05-21 Port Robinson Sewage Works Relining
of Twin 200mm Forcemains under Welland Canal In the City of Thorold
PWA 99-2005

That Contract RN 05-21, Port Robinson Sewage Works Relining of Twin 200mm Forcemains under the Welland Canal, not be awarded. (Water & Wastewater Services)

Ownership and Responsibility for Sewage Pumping Stations
and Conveyance Pipes

PWA 100-2005

That the ownership and responsibility for all existing sanitary sewage pumping stations and conveyance pipes identified in Tables 1 and 2 of this report be transferred from the respective Area Municipalities to the Region of Niagara, subject to approval by the Area Municipalities.

That the transfer of ownership and responsibility for the sewage pumping stations (SPS) and conveyance pipes listed in Tables 1 and 2 of this report, with the exception of the Seaway Heights SPS, Nadine Avenue SPS and Marina #3 SPS, become effective on September 1, 2005.

That the transfer of ownership and responsibility for the Seaway Heights SPS and Marina #3 SPS, be conditional upon installation of operation and monitoring equipment to meet minimum Regional standards, prior to the transfer of ownership.

That the transfer of ownership and responsibility for the Nadine Avenue SPS, become effective by December 31, 2006 to facilitate upgrades to meet minimum Regional standards, prior to the transfer of ownership

That a detailed condition assessment of all the sewage pumping stations be undertaken following the transfer of ownership to identify any upgrades that may be required within the next ten (10) years for inclusion in the Region's 10 year capital budget forecast for Wastewater Systems.

That the Region assume ownership and responsibility for all future sewage pumping stations and associated conveyance pipes, in accordance with the proposed policy related to Sewage Pumping Stations and Conveyance Pipes.

That the policy respecting the approvals, ownership, construction, operation, maintenance and replacement of all future sewage pumping stations and associated conveyance pipes, as described in Appendix A, be approved.

That property rights associated with the Sewage Pumping Stations and Conveyance Pipes be transferred by Area municipalities to the Region, where applicable.

That this report be distributed to the Area Municipalities for review and approval.
(Water & Wastewater Services)

Update on Follow-Up Actions Regarding the Wainfleet
Servicing Class Environmental Assessment (EA)
in the Township of Wainfleet

PWA 101-2005

That approval be given to complete the Class Environmental Assessment process for the Wainfleet Water and Sewer Servicing Class EA and submit the Environmental Study Report and supporting documentation to the Ministry of the Environment no later than June 2005,

That the additional fees associated with the Value Analysis Exercise in the amount of \$145,000 be approved, and

That this additional amount be charged to Project ZSW0010 / SW0241. (Water & Wastewater Services)

Request for Capital Budget Allocation Bylaw and Financing Approval
for Projects included in the Approved Capital Budgets

PWA 102-2005 (CSD 76-2005)

That the following recommendations be presented to standing committees Public Works and Utilities Committee and Corporate and Financial Services Committee for discussion purposes and forwarded to Regional Council for decision:

That approval be given to initiate financing in the amount of \$190,000 gross and net for Project ZRC0219, Rehabilitation of Structure 027220 East Main Street Bridge over old Welland Canal included in the 2005 Roads Capital Budget.

That approval be given to initiate financing in the amount of \$400,000 gross and net for Project ZSW0011, Wastewater Master Plan Update from the approved 2004 Wastewater Capital Budget.

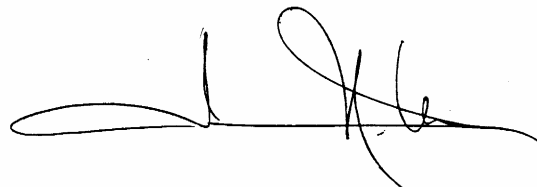
That approval be given to initiate financing in the amount of \$100,000 gross and net for Project ZSW0113, Benchmarking Performance Studies from the approved 2004 Wastewater Capital Budget.

That approval be given to initiate financing in the amount of \$350,000 gross and net for Project ZSW9607, Port Weller Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade from the approved 2004 Wastewater Capital Budget.

That approval be given to fund the projects with financing of Welland Canal Crossings Reserve Fund for \$190,000, Long Term Financing (1-10 years) for \$750,000 and Wastewater Capital Reserve Fund for \$100,000.

That the Regional Clerk / Associated Director of Corporate Strategy be directed to ensure that the appropriate bylaws are prepared for presentation to Regional Council. (Operational Support Services)

Respectfully submitted

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Ian Neville, MPA, P.Eng.
Commissioner of Public Works


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SUBJECT: **Correspondence**

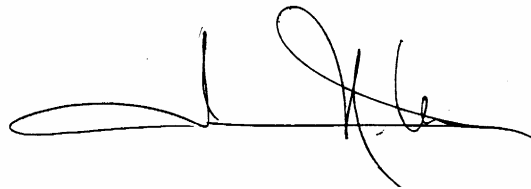
PWC 26-2005 – **Joe Cousins**, Director Transportation Services to Mayor Ron Bodner, City of Port Colborne with reference to PWA 69-2005 Assumption of Local Roads from the City of Port Colborne (deferred at PWUC May 10, 2005), providing additional information.

-- Receive and consider with PWA 69-2005

PWC 27-2005 - (May 11, 2005) – **Russ Howell**, Manager Fleet Services, Transportation Services to Ron Counsell, Secretary, Niagara Peninsula Amateur Radio Club, Incorporated with reference to the availability of the Region's Generators for use at a field day being held June 25 and 26, 2005.

-- Receive

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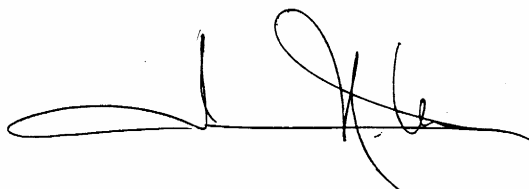
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