

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA

PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE

REPORT 18-2005

Minutes of a meeting of the Public Works and Utilities Committee held in Committee Room 4, Regional Municipal Building, Thorold, Ontario, on Tuesday, December 6, 2005 commencing at 1:35 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Committee: Councillors Rigby, Chair; Regional Chair Partington, Bailey, Bodner, Brock, Eke, Goulbourne, Harry, Hodgson, Leavens, Redekop, Salci, Trombetta.

Staff: Messrs. Trojan, Chief Administrative Officer; Neville, Commissioner, Public Works; Brcic, Director, Water & Wastewater Services; Cousins, Director, Transportation Services; Sidawi, Director, Operation Support Services; Friesen, Director, Waste Management Services; Ms. Pilon, Legislative Assistant.

Staff (Part Time): Messrs. Kyne, Director, Legal Services; Jones, Director, Administration; Lockyer, Treasurer/Director, Financial Management & Planning; Roach, Manager Public Works, Financial Services; Dr. Williams, Medical Officer of Health; Dr. Klooz, Associate Commissioner; Ms. Rae, Legal Counsel; Ms. St. John, Director, Clinical Services; Ms. Lambe, Business Partner, Strategic Communications.

DELEGATION

539. Life Buoys on Regional Bridges

Councillor Angelone provided the Committee with the details of the drowning that occurred in 2005 in Chippawa, noting that Regional Council in an effort to prevent any further drownings approved the enforcement of the Trespass to Property Act.

Councillor Angelone urged the Committee to support the staff's recommendations respecting the use of life buoys on Regional bridges, which does not support the use of life buoys.

The Committee was advised that there is no scientific data that would substantiate the use of life buoys on Niagara's bridges as a life saving tool.

The Committee was advised that the report in question, PWA 171-2005, dated October 25, 2005, respecting Life Buoys on Regional Bridges has not been included in today's agenda, as the recommendations of the report were deferred pending the receipt of the City of Niagara Falls Solicitor's legal opinion.

Mr. and Mrs. Green advised the Committee that they have done fundraising for the equipment required on the bridges and have obtained a donation of life buoys and have offers from contractors who are willing to install the life buoys at no cost, therefore, the cost to the Region would be minimal.

The Committee was advised that perhaps a life could have been saved if life buoys were installed on Regional bridges and urged to approve the use of life buoys on Regional bridges, in the hopes of saving a life(s) of an individual(s) who may not have jumped in, but fallen into the water.

PRESENTATIONS

540. 2006 Current Budget

Mr. Lockyer presented the 2006 Current Budget Status, highlighting the following:

- Objectives
- Process
- What's included/excluded
- Summary of Budget Reduction Scenarios
- Results of CMT Review to Date
- Next Steps

ADMINISTRATION

541. Moved by Councillor Redekop Seconded by Councillor Brock

That Report PWA 207-2005 (PHD 77-2005), December 6, 2005, respecting the Public Health Department, Community Health Program and Population Health Division Accommodation Needs, be lifted from PWA Summary and Addendum, December 6, 2005 and dealt with separately at this time.

Carried.

542. Public Health Department
Community Mental Health Program and
Population Health Division
Accommodation Needs
PWA 207-2005 (PHD 77-2005)

Moved by Councillor Redekop
Seconded by Councillor Leavens

That Report PWA 207-2005 (PHD 77-2005), December 6, 2005, respecting the Public Health Department, Community Health Program and Population Health Division Accommodation Needs, be deferred to the December 15, 2005 Committee of the Whole meeting.

Carried.

(Please note that Report PWA 207-2005 (PHD 77-2005) can be found behind the JNT RPTS Blue Book Tab)

PRESENTATIONS (Continued)

543. Public Works Department
2006 Current Budget

Mr. Neville provided the Committee with an overview of the Public Works Department's 2006 Current Budget, which detailed the following:

- Department Mission Statement
- Department Goal & Objectives
- FTE's
- Net Budget
- Challenges – major drivers impacting the 2006 Budget
- Program Level of Service Reductions to 3%
- Current Budget Scenarios
- Scenario Reductions
- Future Issues Impacting the 2007 Budget

(Refer to Staff Directions)

Moved by Councillor Eke
Seconded by Councillor Bodner

That the 2006 Current Budget Status, Standing Committee presentation and the Public Works Department 2006 Current Budget presentation, be received.

Carried.

ADMINISTRATION (Continued)

544. Moved by Councillor Redekop
Seconded by Councillor Brock

That Report PWA 218-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting the Water and Wastewater Services Organizational Sustainability Review, be lifted from PWA Summary and Addendum, December 6, 2005 and dealt with separately at this time.

Carried.

545. Water and Wastewater Services
Organizational Sustainability Review
PWA 218-2005

Moved by Councillor Redekop
Seconded by Councillor Eke

That Report PWA 218-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting the Water and Wastewater Services Organizational Sustainability Review, be received.

That the report be circulated to the area municipalities for review and comment, with comments being received no later than January 20, 2006, in order for staff to prepare a report for the February 1, 2006 meeting.

That staff, in consultation with a sub-committee of Niagara municipal CAOs, be directed to proceed with finalizing the Terms of Reference and establishment of a Steering Committee for a joint review of Water & Wastewater Services, as outlined in PWA 218-2005.

Carried.

546. Moved by Councillor Bodner
Seconded by Councillor Eke

That Report PWA 221-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting Contract RN 05-50 Sale of Surplus Property, Former Niagara Freeway Lands in the City of Niagara Falls, be lifted from PWA Summary and Addendum, December 6, 2005 and dealt with separately at this time.

Carried.

547. Contract RN 05-50
Sale of Surplus Property
Former Niagara Freeway Lands
City of Niagara Falls
PWA 221-2005

Moved by Councillor Bodner
Seconded by Councillor Eke

That Report PWA 221-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting Contract RN 05-50 Sale of Surplus Property, Former Niagara Freeway Lands in the City of Niagara Falls, be deferred to a future meeting.

Carried.

548. Moved by Councillor Goulbourne
Seconded by Councillor Eke

That PWA 225-2005 (PHD 80-2005/CSD 174-2005), December 6, 2005, respecting the Parking Lot, Public Health Department, 30 Hannover Drive in the City of St. Catharines, be lifted from PWA Summary and Addendum, December 6, 2005 and dealt with separately at this time.

Carried.

549. Parking Lot
Public Health Department
30 Hannover Drive, St. Catharines
PWA 225-2005 (PHD 80-2005/CSD 174-2005)

Moved by Councillor Brock
Seconded by Councillor Trombetta

That Report PWA 225-2005 (PHD 80-2005/CSD 174-2005), December 6, 2005, respecting the Parking Lot, Public Health Department, 30 Hannover Drive in the City of St. Catharines, be received and the recommendations therein not be supported.

Carried.

For Committee Consideration

The Committee considered the following staff recommendations contained in the PWA Summary and Addendum, December 6, 2005:

550. Policy for the Region's Adopt-a-Road Program

PWA 201-2005

The Report PWA 201-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting the Policy for the Region's Adopt-a-Road Program be received, approved and adopted.

551. Parking Prohibition
Regional Road 3 (Main Street East)
City of Port Colborne

PWA 202-2005

That Report PWA 202-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting Parking Prohibition Regional Road 3 (Main Street East) in the City of Port Colborne, be received.

That parking be completely prohibited along a stretch of Regional Road 3 (Main Street East) on South Side between Bridge Street and Dolphin Street.

That the Regional Clerk be requested to ensure that the necessary by-law amendment is presented to Council on December 15, 2005.

552. Parking Prohibition
Regional Road 98 (Montrose Road)
City of Niagara Falls

PWA 203-2005

That Report PWA 203-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting Parking Prohibition Regional Road 98 (Montrose Road) in the City of Niagara Falls, be received.

That Parking be prohibited on both sides of Regional Road 98 (Montrose Road) from Regional Road 57 (Thorold Stone Road) to Preakness Street.

That the Regional Clerk be requested to ensure that the necessary by-law amendment is presented to Council on December 15, 2005.

553. Parking Prohibition
Regional Road 27 (East Main Street)
City of Welland

PWA 204-2005

That Report PWA 204-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting Parking Prohibition Regional Road 27 (East Main Street) in the City of Welland, be received.

That parking be prohibited along the south side of Regional Road 27 (East Main Street) in the City of Welland, between Lyons Avenue and Cameron Avenue.

That the Regional Clerk be requested to ensure that the necessary by-law amendment is presented to Council on December 15, 2005.

554. Draft Speed Limit Policy
PWA 205-2005

That Report PWA 205-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting the Draft Speed Limit Policy, be received.

That the Draft policy describing procedures for setting speed limits on the Regional Road System be approved and adopted.

555. Tender Award for Contract RN 05-45
Port Dalhousie Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades – Phase III
City of St. Catharines
Project: ZSW9816 / SW0442

PWA 206-2005 (CSD 164-2005)

That Report PWA 206-2005 (CSD 164-2005), December 6, 2005 respecting Tender Award for Contract RN 05-45, Port Dalhousie Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades – Phase III in the City of St. Catharines Project: ZSW9816/SW0422 be received.

That Contract RN 05-45 in the Port Dalhousie Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades – Phase III in the City of St. Catharines be awarded to Graham Construction and Engineering Inc. at their bid price of \$8,824,000.00.

That a contingency amount of \$800,000.00 be provided for this project.

That R.V. Anderson Associates be appointed for additional engineering services as a Contract Administrator for this contract for an amount of \$153,000.00. These engineering services are required due to additional scope of work at the request of the Region and an increase in the duration of construction.

That previously approved Wastewater Capital Reserve financing in the amount of \$2,264,000 be transferred from Project ZSW9809 Port Weller CSO Control Program to Project ZSW9816 Port Dalhousie WWTP Upgrades.

That the Regional Clerk be directed to ensure that the appropriate by-laws are prepared for submission to Regional Council authorizing the Regional Chair and Regional Clerk to execute the contract on behalf of the Regional Municipality of Niagara.

That the cost associated with this project be charged against Project ZSW9816 / SW0422.

(Please note that Report PWA 206-2005 (CSD 164-2005) can be found behind the JNT RPTS Blue Book Tab)

556. Policy for the Regional Road Cross-Section

PWA 208-2005

That Report PWA 208-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting the Policy for the Regional Road Cross-Sections be received, approved and adopted.

557. Tender Award for Contract RN 05-47
Welland Water Treatment Plant Upgrades
And Quality Improvements
City of Welland

PWA 209-2005

That Report PWA 209-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting the Tender Award for Contract RN 05-47, Welland Water Treatment Plant Upgrades and Quality Improvements in the City of Welland, be received.

That Contract RN 05-47 Welland Water Treatment Plant Upgrades and Quality Improvements in the City of Welland be awarded to the low bidder, T.R. Hinan contractors Inc., at their bid price of \$1,016,000.00.

That a contingency allowance in the amount of \$150,000.00 be provided for this contract.

That award of this contract be subject to receipt of an amended Certificate of Approval expected from the Ministry of the Environment.

That the approved amount for Consulting Engineering Services from R. V. Anderson & Associates Ltd. Be reduced from \$1,536,929.00 to \$627,651.20 to reflect the reduction in scope of work which resulted from the Value Engineering review of this project.

That the Regional Clerk be directed to ensure that the appropriate by-law is prepared for submission to Regional Council authorizing the Regional Chair and Regional Clerk to execute the contract on behalf of the Regional Municipality of Niagara.

That the costs associated with this project be charged against Project ZCW0204/CW0204.

558. Proposed Lease for
Community Policing Office
336 Ridge Road North, Ridgeway
Town of Fort Erie

PWA 210-2005

That Report PWA 210 -2005, December 6, 2005, respecting the Proposed Lease for Community Policing Office, 336 Ridge Road North, Ridgeway, Town of Fort Erie, be received.

That subject to Police Services Board approval the Region enters into a one (1) year agreement with Edward and Anna Feiertag for the lease of office space at 336 Ridge Road North, ground floor, Ridgeway for the Community Policing Program subject to the following:

- The term of the lease will be for one (1) year commencing January 1, 2006.
- The rental rate will be \$400.00/month all inclusive.
- The Town of Fort Erie contributes its usual funding of \$4,000.00 annually.
- Any other terms and conditions deemed necessary by the Region's Solicitor.

559. 2006 Transportation Tomorrow Survey

PWA 211-2005

That Report PWA 211-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting the 2006 Transportation Tomorrow Survey, be received.

That Niagara Region participate in the 2006 Transportation Tomorrow Survey as proposed by the Ministry of Transportation at a total cost of \$45,650.00.

That payments for this project be distributed in equal installments over a three year period (2005, 2006 and 2007).

560. Regional Transportation Strategy
Technical Sub-Studies Status Update

PWA 212-2005

That Report PWA 212-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting the Regional Transportation Strategy Technical Sub-Status Update, be received.

That the project priorities and timing outlined in Appendix I of this report, as approved by the Transportation Strategy Steering Committee at its November 15, 2005, be recommended to Regional Council as a basis for planning of future transportation improvements in Niagara.

561. Amendments to the Controlled-Access
Roads By-law (No. 4291-86)

PWA 214-2005 (CSD 166-2005)

That Report PWA 214-2005 (CSD 166-2005), December 6, 2005 respecting Amendments to the Controlled-Access Roads By-law (No. 4291-86) be received.

That the Controlled-Access Roads By-law No. 4291-86, as amended, be further amended as outlined in Appendix 1, attached hereto, to conform to the new provisions of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.

(Please note that Report PWA 214-2005 (CSD 166-2005) can be found behind the JNT RPTS Blue Book Tab)

562. Agreement with Merritton Mills Redevelopment Corporation
Disposal of Brownfields Soil at Regional Landfill Sites

PWA 215-2005

That Report PWA 215-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting Agreement with Merritton Mills Redevelopment Corporation, Disposal of Brownfields Soil at Regional Landfill Sites, be received.

That the request by Merritton Mills Redevelopment Corp. for a reduction in landfill fees be denied for reasons explained in this report;

That staff submit to the City of St. Catharines a statement of the total amount of money the Region is to recover from monies owing to Merritton Mills Redevelopment Corp. pursuant to the agreement under the Municipal, Regional and Provincial Brownfields Tax Incentive Program.

563. OMBI Pilot Project – Capital Assets Accounting and Reporting

PWA 216-2005 (CSD 168-2005)

That PWA 216-2005 (CSD 168-2005), December 6, 2005, respecting OMBI Pilot Project – Capital Assets Accounting and Reporting, be received.

That Council approve the participation of the Region as one of the six pilot sites in the implementation phase of the *OMBI Municipal Guide to Accounting for Capital Assets* as required in the Transfer Payment Agreement with the Ministry of Finance.

That this report be forwarded to all Standing Committees for information.

(Please note that Report PWA 216-2005 (CSD 168-2005) can be found behind the JNT RPTS Blue Book Tab)

564. Capital Budget Allocation for
Project ZGD0203 Building Maintenance Program
For Regional Facilities

PWA 220-2005 (CSD 170-2005)

That Report PWA 220-2005 (CSD 170-2005), December 6, 2005, respecting Capital Budget Allocation for Project ZGD0203, Building Maintenance Program for Regional Facilities, be received.

That Capital Levy financing in the amount of \$337,700 be approved for Project ZGD0203 Building Maintenance Program for Regional Facilities from the 2005 Buildings and Equipment Capital Budget.

That financing in the amount of \$160,000 be transferred from Project ZGD0203 Building Maintenance Program for Regional Facilities to Project ZGD0209 Central Accommodations.

That the Regional Clerk be directed to ensure that the appropriate bylaw(s) are prepared for presentation to Regional Council.

(Please note that Report PWA 220-2005 (CSD 170-2005) can be found behind the JNT RPTS Blue Book Tab)

565. Updated Request for the Region to Participate in Funding Marketing Study For Niagara Central Airport

PWA 213-2005

That Report PWA 213-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting the Updated Request for the Region to Participate in Funding Marketing Study for Niagara Central Airport, be received.

That the following report and recommendations, approved by the Transportation Strategy Steering Committee at its November 15, 2005 meeting, be recommended to Regional Council.

That \$50,000 in funding be provided in the proposed 2006 Current Budget to support the commitment to provide marketing assistance to both the Niagara District Airport and the Niagara Central Airport; and

That Regional Council agrees to cost share the proposed marketing study for the Niagara Central Airport up to a maximum of \$25,000 with funding provided out of the proposed airport marketing account as per recommendation 1.

That the marketing study for the Niagara District Airport and Niagara Central Airport be managed by the Niagara Economic Development Corporation with the appropriate funding.

566. Moved by Councillor Eke
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That the PWA Summary and Addendum, dated December 6, 2005, and the foregoing recommendations of Reports PWA 201-2005 to PWA 206-2005 (CSD 164-2005) inclusive; PWA 208-2005 to PWA 216-2005 (CSD 168-2005) inclusive and PWA 220-2005 (CSD 170-2005), be received and accepted.

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

567. Communications listed in the PWC Summary and Addendum, dated December 6, 2005 be received and dealt with as follows:

PWC 69-2005 – (November 18, 2005) – **Larry Bousfield**, Manager, Property and Facility Management, to the Cities of Niagara Falls and Thorold, attaching a letter from ***Dr. John Bacher***, requesting the Region of Niagara to rename Thorold Stone Road to Peter Grandoni Boulevard (a copy of Dr. Bacher's letter of November 14th is also attached).

-- Withdrawn.

PWC 70-2005 – (November 11, 2005) – **Joe Cousins**, Director of Transportation Services, to Clerk of the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake, being a response to the Town's letter respecting the operation of traffic signals at Niagara Stone Road and Garrison Village Drive.

-- Received.

PWC 71-2005 – (December 1, 2005) – **A. Ghirardi**, Manager of Operations, St. Lawrence Seaway, to Brian Hughes, Associate Director, Transportation Engineering, with respect to the closing of Bridge 11, Allanburg, for repairs. The letter outlines the short term closure and winter works rehabilitation schedule.

-- Received.

PWC 72-2005 – (November 24, 2005) – **Chado Brcic**, Director of Water & Wastewater Services, to Mayor Katie Trombetta, Township of West Lincoln, being a response on questions raised regarding water supply to Smithville.

-- Received.

568. Moved by Councillor Bailey
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That the contents of the PWC Summary and Addendum, dated December 6, 2005, be received and dealt with as directed by this Committee and as noted in these minutes.

Carried.

PROGRESS REPORTS

569. Water and Wastewater Results for
Pre-qualifying Contractors

The Committee was advised that based on discussions with Mr. Toppazzinni and following the examination of the results of the evaluation that omitted Mr. Toppazzinni's firm from being considered as a pre-qualified contractor, it was therefore;

Moved by Councillor Redekop
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That Report PWP 94-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting the Water and Wastewater Results for Pre-qualifying Contractors, be received.

That the respective Water and Wastewater project, be tendered through an open bid process.

Defeated.

Moved by Councillor Bodner
Seconded by Regional Chair Partington

That Report PWP 94-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting the Water and Wastewater Results for Pre-qualifying Contractors, be received as **amended** by the Public Works and Utilities Committee for input and direction on the issue of confidentiality with regard to documentation submitted as part of the pre-qualification of contractors for Water and Wastewater Projects.

That staff prepare a report on the pre-qualification process with suggestions for improvement that take into consideration the concerns expressed by the Committee members.

Carried.

570. Construction Progress Report
Water & Wastewater Services Division Projects

Moved by Councillor Eke
Seconded by Councillor Bodner

That Report PWP 88-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting the Construction Progress Report, Water & Wastewater Services Division Projects be received for information.

Carried.

(Refer to Staff Directions)

571. Niagara Road 12 Citizens Liaison
Committee – Terms of Reference

Moved by Councillor Eke
Seconded by Councillor Bodner

That Report PWP 89-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting the Niagara Road 12
Citizens Liaison Committee – Terms of Reference, be received for information.

Carried.

572. Niagara's Organics Processing Program

Moved by Councillor Eke
Seconded by Councillor Bodner

That Report PWP 90-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting the Niagara's Organics
Processing Program, be received for information.

Carried.

(Refer to Staff Directions)

573. Construction Progress Report
Transportation Services

Moved by Councillor Eke
Seconded by Councillor Bodner

That Report PWP 91-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting the construction
Progress Report Transportation Services, be received for information.

Carried.

574. Water & Wastewater Projects
Status of Key Projects

Moved by Councillor Eke
Seconded by Councillor Bodner

That Report PWP 92-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting the Water & Wastewater
Projects Status of Key Projects, be received for information.

Carried.

575. Community Odour Surveys
October 2005, Elm Street Compost
Facility and Landfill Site

Moved by Councillor Eke
Seconded by Councillor Bodner

That Report PWP 93-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting the Community Odour Surveys October 2005, Elm Street Compost Facility and Landfill Site, be received for information.

Carried.

MINUTES

576. Transportation Strategy Steering Committee
Tuesday, November 15, 2005

Moved by Councillor Harry
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That the minutes of the Transportation Strategy Steering Committee meeting of Tuesday, November 15, 2005, be received.

Carried.

577. Smarter Niagara Steering Committee
Wednesday, November 16, 2005

Moved by Councillor Harry
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That the minutes of the Smarter Niagara Steering Committee meeting of Wednesday, November 16, 2005, be received.

Carried.

(Please note that the Smarter Niagara Steering Committee minutes can be found in the Planning Services Committee attachments)

578. Niagara Road 12 landfill Site (NR12)
Citizens' Liaison Committee (CLC)
Wednesday, August 17, 2005

Moved by Councillor Harry
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That the minutes of the Niagara Road 12 Landfill Site (NR 12) Citizens' Liaison Committee (CLC) meeting of Wednesday, August 17, 2005, be received and the recommendations contained therein be approved.

Carried.

579. Niagara Road 12 Landfill Site (NR 12)
Citizens' Liaison Committee (CLC)
Thursday, September 29, 2005

Moved by Councillor Harry
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That the minutes of the Niagara Road 12 Landfill Site (NR 12) Citizens' Liaison Committee (CLC) meeting of Thursday, September 29, 2005, be received.

Carried.

580. Niagara Road 12 Landfill Site (NR 12)
Citizens' Liaison Committee
Wednesday, October 19, 2005

Moved by Councillor Harry
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That the minutes of the Niagara Road 12 Landfill Site (NR 12), Citizens' Liaison Committee meeting of Wednesday, October 19, 2005, be received.

Carried.

581. Elm Street Landfill Site/Compost Site
Public Liaison Committee (PLC)
Wednesday, September 7, 2005

Moved by Councillor Harry
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That the minutes of the Elm Street Landfill Site/Compost Site Public Liaison Committee (PLC) meeting of Wednesday, September 7, 2005, be received.

Carried.

582. Elm Street Landfill Site/Compost Site
Public Liaison Committee (PLC)
Wednesday, October 5, 2005

Moved by Councillor Harry
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That the minutes of the Elm Street Landfill Site/Compost Site Public Liaison Committee (PLC) meeting of Wednesday, October 5, 2005, be received.

Carried.

583. Niagara-Hamilton WastePlan, Joint Working Group
Thursday, October 20, 2005

Moved by Councillor Harry
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That the minutes of the Niagara-Hamilton WastePlan, Joint Working Group meeting of Thursday, October 20, 2005, be received.

Carried.

584. Regional Niagara Bicycling Committee
Thursday, October 6, 2005

Moved by Councillor Harry
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That the minutes of the Regional Niagara Bicycling Committee meeting of Thursday, October 6, 2005, be received.

Carried.

585. Regional Niagara Humberstone Landfill Site
Public Liaison Committee
Monday, January 31, 2005

Moved by Councillor Harry
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That the minutes of the Regional Niagara Humberstone Landfill Site Public Liaison Committee meeting of Monday, January 31, 2005, be received.

Carried.

586. Regional Niagara Line 5 Landfill Niagara-on-the-Lake
Public Liaison Committee
Tuesday, May 3, 2005

Moved by Councillor Harry
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That the minutes of the Regional Niagara Line 5 Landfill Niagara-on-the-Lake Public Liaison Committee meeting of Tuesday, May 3, 2005, be received.

Carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

587. OMBI Pilot Project – Capital Assets Accounting and Reporting
PWA 216-2005 (CSD 168-2005)

Mr. Neville noted that this initiative would not involve any additional full time staff from Public Works, and that the services would continue to be provided as services in kind.

588. Current Landfill Capacities

Councillor Goulbourne requested that staff provide the Niagara-Hamilton WastePlan consultants with current data respecting Niagara's landfill capacities.

589. Name of the New Committee

The Committee members agreed by consensus to name the new Standing Committee consisting of Planning Services Committee and Public Works and Utilities Committee, the Planning and Public Works Committee.

590. Meeting Day and Time for the New Committee

The Committee noted that the public meetings would be held at 2:00 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Harry
Seconded by Councillor Trombetta

That the Planning and Public Works and Utilities Committee will meet on Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m.

Carried.

591. Addendum Reports

The Committee discussed the excessive amount and the late distribution of Addendum reports and requested that staff adhere to a deadline for Addendum reports, the Friday of the week prior to the Committee meeting.

592. Stevensville Lagoon
Town of Fort Erie

Councillor Redekop advised the Committee that the residents of Stevensville have concerns respecting the lagoon.

Staff was requested to schedule a public meeting to discuss the lagoon with the residents in the new year.

593. Wilhelm Road
City of Port Colborne

Councillor Bodner thanked Mr. Cousins for attending to the traffic concerns on Wilhelm Road in the City of Port Colborne and for installing the chevrons.

CLOSED SESSION

594. Moved by Councillor Bodner
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That this Committee do now meet in Closed Session for the purpose of receiving information of a confidential nature relating to legal and property matters.

Carried.

595. Lease Renewal with City of Thorold
Land Ambulance Station within
Fire Station in the City of Thorold
PWA 222-2005 CONFIDENTIAL

Moved by Councillor Brock
Seconded by Councillor Redekop

That Confidential Report PWA 222-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting the Lease Renewal with City of Thorold, Land Ambulance Station within Fire Station in the City of Thorold, be received.

That the Regional Chair and Clerk be authorized to execute a Lease Renewal Agreement with the City of Thorold for the extension of the existing lease for the ambulance station located within the City's fire station on Allanburg Road subject to the reported terms and conditions.

Carried.

596. Waste Management Inc.
Terminating Area One Collection Contract
PWA 224-2005 CONFIDENTIAL

Moved by Councillor Goulbourne
Seconded by Councillor Bodner

That Confidential Report PWA 224-2005, December 6, 2005, respecting the Waste Management Inc. Terminating Area One Collection Contract, be received.

That Regional staff be authorized to enter into discussion with the next lowest bidder, Sheldrick Sanitation Ltd. to complete the current five (5) year contract which expires March 31, 2009.

That Regional staff, failing successful negotiations with Sheldrick, be authorized to prepare a new tender to seek competitive bids through the public tendering process for a new two (2) year, 10 month contract.

Carried.

597. Moved by Councillor Eke
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That this Committee do now rise with report.

Carried.

STAFF DIRECTIONS

Staff was requested to:

- include actuals in any future budget presentations, for a better understanding of why staff is comfortable is suggesting the recommended reductions. (Refers to Minute Item # 543)
- consider partnerships to assist the Region with funding and labour for tree planting. (Refers to Minute Item # 543)
- inquire as to whether the Ministry of the Environment reports on other composting facilities within the province are public documents and if so, distribute them to the Committee members.(Refers to Minute Item # 572)
- meet with the resident that resides south of the standpipe for the reservoir on Victoria Avenue in the Town of Lincoln, prior to its decommissioning. (Refers to Minute Item # 570)

ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 4:30 p.m., to meet again in Council Chambers, January 11, 2006 at 1:00 p.m.

Tim Rigby
Chair

Janet Pilon
Legislative Assistant

Pam Gilroy
Regional Clerk