

**THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA**

**INTEGRATED COMMUNITY PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

**REPORT 12-2009**

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Minutes of a meeting of the Integrated Community Planning and Public Works Committee held in Council Chambers, Regional Municipal Building, Thorold, Ontario, on Wednesday, September 23, 2009 commencing at 1:13 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE**

Committee: Regional Chair Partington; Councillor Rigby, Co-Chair; Augustyn, Badaway, Baty, Casselman, D'Angela, Goulbourne, Henderson, Hodgson, Lepp, Marshall, McMullan, Salci, Timms, Zimmerman.

Staff: Messrs. Trojan, Chief Administrative Officer, Robson, Commissioner Integrated Community Planning; Brothers, Commissioner Public Works; Cousins, Director Transportation Services; Pollock, Director, Waste Management Services; Colosimo, Director Development Services; Ms. Matthews-Malone, Director Water and Wastewater; Mr. Bain, Regional Clerk; Ms. McManus, Legislative Assistant.

Other: Messrs. Weir, Director Administration; Steele, Associate Director, Strategy Business Management; Pilon, Associate Director, Service Quality & Improvement; Weaver, Director Community & Corporate Planning; Flora, Associate Director Transportation Systems; Ranjan, Transportation Engineer.

**Quorum**

There being a lack of ordinary quorum at the meeting, the Committee Co-Chair determined that the ordinary quorum for the meeting be reduced to eleven members, pursuant to Section 22.10 of the Procedural By-law 96-2007.

**PRESENTATIONS**

336. Niagara Labour Market Plan, 2009 – 2013 A Vision in Action

Ms. Trudy Parsons, Executive Director, Niagara Workforce Planning Board presented Committee members with “Niagara Labour Market Plan, 2009-2013...A Vision in Action”.

*At this point in the meeting quorum was achieved.*

Moved by Councillor Augustyn  
Seconded by Councillor D’Angela

That Ms. Parson’s Presentation respecting Niagara Labour Market Plan, 2009 – 2013 A Vision in Action, be received; and

That staff draft a Report responding to the Niagara Labour Market Plan 2009-2013 “Call to Action” questions, addressing both current and future Regional contributions and how to integrate with the Niagara Economic Development Corporation’s current contributions.

Carried.

(A copy of Ms. Parson’s presentation and “Call To Action” attachment can be found behind the Integrated Community Planning and Public Works Committee Minutes)

**PUBLIC WORKS – ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

337. Proposed Speed Limit Reduction  
Regional Road 25 (Netherby Road)  
Town of Fort Erie  
**PWA 94-2009**

Moved by Councillor Badawey  
Seconded by Councillor D’Angela

That Report PWA 94-2009, September 23, 2009, respecting Proposed Speed Limit Reduction Regional Road 25 (Netherby Road) Town of Fort Erie, be received;

That the existing 60 km/h posted speed limit on Regional Road 25 (Netherby Road), from Regional Road 116 (Sodom Road) to 330 metres westerly, be extended an additional 690 metres westerly to Ott Road; and

That the Regional Clerk be requested to ensure the necessary by-law amendment is presented to Regional Council on October 1, 2009.

Carried.

338. Proposed Speed Limit Reduction  
Regional Road 82 (Allanport Road)  
City of Thorold  
**PWA 95-2009**

Moved by Councillor Badawey  
Seconded by Councillor D'Angela

That Report PWA 95-2009, September 23, 2009, respecting Proposed Speed Limit Reduction Regional Road 82 (Allanport Road) City of Thorold, be received;

That the existing speed limit on Regional Road 82 (Allanport Road) from Regional Road 63 (Chippawa Creek Road) to Hurricane Road be reduced from 60 km/h to 50 km/h; and

That the Regional Clerk be requested to ensure the necessary by-law amendment is presented to Regional Council on October 1, 2009.

Carried.

339. Proposed Parking Revisions  
Regional Road 43 (Bridge Street)  
City of Niagara Falls  
**PWA 96-2009**

Moved by Councillor Badawey  
Seconded by Councillor D'Angela

That Report PWA 96-2009, September 23, 2009, respecting Proposed Parking Revisions Regional Road 43 (Bridge Street) City of Niagara Falls, be received;

That Council endorses the staff recommended on-street parking revisions as outlined in this report; and

That the Regional Clerk be requested to ensure the necessary by-law amendment is presented to Regional Council on October 1, 2009.

Carried.

340. Tender Award for Contract 2009-T-135 (RN 09-35)  
Frenchman's Creek Trunk Sanitary Sewer Phase 2  
Town of Fort Erie  
Parent Project ZSW0512/SW0992  

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**PWA 97-2009**

Moved by Councillor Timms  
Seconded by Councillor Badawey

That Report PWA 97-2009, September 23, 2009, respecting Tender Award for Contract 2009-T-135 (RN 09-35) Frenchman's Creek Trunk Sanitary Sewer Phase 2 Town of Fort Erie Parent Project ZSW0512/SW0992, be received;

That Contract 2009-T-135 (RN 09-35), Frenchman's Creek Trunk Sanitary Sewer Phase 2, Town of Fort Erie, be awarded to V. Gibbons Contracting Ltd. at their bid price of \$13,129,662.95;

That a contingency amount of \$3,000,000 be provided for unforeseen costs related to the construction of this project;

That approval is given to extend the current engineering assignment with Associated Engineering Ltd. (AE) by \$965,604 to include contract administration and inspection on the project during construction;

That a contingency amount of \$250,000 be provided for unforeseen costs related to the contract administration and inspection of this project;

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 costs associated with this project be charged against Parent Project ZSW0512/SW0992, Frenchman's Creek Trunk Sanitary Sewer.

Carried.

341. Tender Award for Contract 2009-T-134 (RN 09-34)  
Seaway Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade  
In the City of Port Colborne  
Project ZSW0005/SW0991
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**PWA 98-2009**

Moved by Councillor Badawey  
Seconded by Councillor D'Angela

That Report PWA 98-2009, September 23, 2009, respecting Tender Award for Contract 2009-T-134 (RN 09-34) Seaway Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade In the City of Port Colborne Project ZSW0005/SW0991, be received;

That Contract 2009-T-134 (RN 09-34), Seaway Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade, City of Port Colborne, be awarded to Sona Construction Limited at their bid price of \$15,459,322;

That a contingency amount of \$3,750,000 be provided for this project;

That Hatch Mott MacDonald be retained to provide contract management and construction supervision services in the amount of \$1,300,000;

That Hatch Mott MacDonald Ltd. be retained to provide SCADA Integration and Programming services in the amount of \$550,000;

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 ZSW0005/SW0991.

Carried.

(Refer to Councillor Information Requests)

342. Transportation Strategy Steering Committee  
**Minutes – September 15, 2009**

Moved by Councillor Augustyn  
Seconded by Councillor Salci

That the Minutes of the Transportation Strategy Steering Committee (7-2009) meeting of September 15, 2009, be received and approved; and

That Staff prepare a draft Report respecting Inter Municipal Transit (structure, governance, triple majority) to support discussions at the October 29, 2009 Council Business Planning Session.

Moved by Councillor Casselman  
Seconded by Councillor Badawey

That the motions contained within the Transportation Strategy Steering Committee minutes of September 15, 2009, be divided and voted on separately.

Carried.

Moved by Councillor Badawey  
Seconded by Councillor McMullan

That Mr. Graveline's presentation respecting GO Niagara – Transit Marketing and Communication, be received;

That this Committee request that the Regional Chair Partington, on behalf of the Niagara Region, issue a letter to the Honourable Jim Bradley, Minister of Transportation, the Honourable George Smitherman, Minister of Energy and Infrastructure and GO Transit thanking them for their support in bringing GO Transit to Niagara.

Carried.

Moved by Councillor Badawey  
Seconded by Councillor McMullan

That a Sub-Committee be formed to address next steps and further marketing strategies respecting GO Transit;

That this Sub-Committee venture to meet the week of September 21, 2009; and

That Councillor Badawey assume the position of Chair of this Sub-Committee.

Carried.

Moved by Councillor Badawey  
Seconded by Councillor McMullan

That the Inter Municipal Transit Work Plan Presentation, ENTRA (GENIVAR) Consultants, be received;

That the Inter-Municipal Transit Work-Plan Draft Report from ENTRA Consultants, be received;

That the Short Term Extended Municipal Service governance recommendation be approved;

That Staff be directed to immediately begin Phase 2 of the Inter Municipal Transit Work Plan Study; and

That Staff report on establishing a Niagara Transit Service Advisory Board and the suggested membership.

Carried.

Upon a vote being taken the original motion respecting Report 7-2009, being the minutes of the Transportation Strategy Steering Committee meeting of Tuesday, September 15, 2009, was carried.

### **PUBLIC WORKS – ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

343. Moved by Councillor McMullan  
Seconded by Councillor Henderson

That the following items be received for information:

PWP 33-2009      Projects/Studies Activity Report  
Waste Management Services Division

PWP 34-2009      Public Works Staff Comments on  
Municipal Servicing Applications

Carried.

344. Letter re: Archaeological Study of  
Lock One of the First Welland Canal  
In Lakeside Park, Port Dalhousie  
**PWC 51-2009**

Moved by Councillor Casselman  
Seconded by Councillor Timms

That the Letter (dated September 4, 2009) from Susan Dods, Acting Deputy Clerk City of St. Catharines to Regional Chair Partington re: Archaeological Study of Lock One of the First Welland Canal in Lakeside Park, Port Dalhousie, be received; and

That PWC 51-2009 be referred to Integrated Community Planning staff and the Heritage Sub-Committee.

Carried.

345. Moved by Councillor McMullan  
Seconded by Councillor Salci

That the following items be received for information:

PWC 50-2009 Letter (dated August 21, 2009) Anton C. Marek, Director Cytec Industries Inc. to Mr. Rick Day, Special Issues Coordinator Ministry of Environment re: Cytec Canada – Niagara Site Risk Management Options for Site Decommissioning

PWC 52-2009 Correspondence (dated September 10, 2009) from Trish Crossley, President Long Beach Property Owners Association Wainfleet Township cc'd to Regional Chair Partington respecting the Region's plan for implementation of a municipal water and sewer system along the entire length of the Wainfleet Lake Erie shoreline

PWC 53-2009 Memorandum (dated September 16, 2009) from J. Cousins, Director of Transportation Services Division to Mr. Brothers, Commissioner Public Works respecting Status of Niagara District Airport Infrastructure Stimulus Fund Projects

PWC 54-2009 Memorandum (dated September 16, 2009) from Mr. Janas, Associate Director, Water Operations & Staff Development to Co-Chairs and Integrated Community Planning and Public Works Committee members

Carried.

(Refer to Councillor Information Requests)

**INTEGRATED COMMUNITY PLANNING - ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

346. 2008 Municipal Performance  
Measurement Program (MPMP) Report  
**ICP 46-2009**

Moved by Councillor Marshall  
Seconded by Councillor Timms

That Report ICP 46-2009, September 23, 2009, respecting 2008 Municipal Performance Measurement Program (MPMP) Report, be received for information.

Carried.

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347. Agricultural Sub-Committee  
**Minutes – July 27, 2009**

Moved by Councillor Henderson  
Seconded by Councillor McMullan

That the Minutes of the Agricultural Sub-Committee meeting of July 27, 2009, be received for information.

Carried.

**INTEGRATED COMMUNITY PLANNING – ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**  
**(continued)**

348. Canada-Ontario Affordable Housing Program, 2009 Extension  
Recommended Projects – September Submission  
**COM 52-2009**

Moved by Councillor D'Angela  
Seconded by Councillor McMullan

That Report COM 52-2009, September 23, 2009, respecting Canada-Ontario Affordable Housing Program, 2009 Extension Recommended Projects – September Submission, be received for information.

Carried.

(A copy of Report COM 52-2009 can be found behind the Public Health and Social Services Report Tab)

**OTHER BUSINESS**

349. Public Works and Corporate Services  
September 23, 2009 Presentation to Corporate Services Committee  
Re: Filters for Capital Works

Mr. Brothers advised Committee members that Public Works, along with Corporate Services, made a presentation to the Corporate Services Committee at their September 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

He further advised that although filters for Capital Works had been the focus of discussion, a more robust presentation including suggestions made at Corporate Services Committee, would be forthcoming.

350. Highway 20 Reconstruction

Councillor Baty, on behalf of comments received from community members, congratulated staff on the flawless and impressive reconstruction of Highway 20.

351. Standing Committee Addendum Items

Councillor Marshall stated that the current process involved for the issuance of Standing Committee addendum items is cumbersome and he requested that "Addendum Issues" be placed on the October 5, 2009 Council Organization Review Committee agenda for discussion.

**CLOSED SESSION**

352. Moved by Councillor Augustyn  
Seconded by Councillor Casselman

That this Committee do now meet in Closed Session for purpose of dealing with A Matter of Labour Relations – Region's Courier Service.

Carried.

353. A Matter of Labour Relations – Region's Courier Service  
**Confidential ICP 47-2009**

Moved by Councillor Baty  
Seconded by Councillor Lepp

That Confidential Report ICP 47-2009, September 23, 2009, respecting A Matter of Labour Relations – Region's Courier Service, be received and the recommendation contained therein approved.

Carried.

354. Moved by Councillor Zimmerman  
Seconded by Councillor Augustyn

That this Committee do now rise with report.

Carried.

### **COUNCILLOR INFORMATION REQUESTS**

Staff was requested to:

- Establish communication between Public Works, Water and Wastewater and Planning (Refer to Minute Item #341) (Councillor Badawey)
- Forward a copy of PWC 52-2009 to Water & Wastewater and Public Health staff for review and report on any errors in fact or representation (Refer to Minute Item #345) (Councillor Timms)

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The Committee adjourned at 2:37 p.m. to meet again at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 14, 2009 in Council Chambers, Regional Headquarters.

Councillor Rigby  
Co-Chair

Lisa McManus  
Legislative Assistant

Kevin Bain  
Regional Clerk