

# THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA

## CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE

### REPORT 3-2010

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Minutes of a meeting of the Corporate Services Committee held in Council Chambers, Regional Municipal Building, 2201 St. David's Rd., Thorold, Ontario, on Wednesday, February 24, 2010 commencing at 9:35 a.m.

#### ATTENDANCE

Committee: Councillors Augustyn, Co-Chair; Martin, Co-Chair; Partington, Regional Chair; Badawey; Baty; Burroughs; Bylsma; Casselman; D'Angela; Henderson; Lepp; Saracino.

Staff: Mr. Trojan, Chief Administrative Officer; Mr. Bergsma, Commissioner, Corporate Services; Mr. Bain, Regional Clerk; Ms. Reilly, Legislative Assistant.

Staff

Others: Corporate Services: Ms. Brens, Tangible Capital Assets Analyst; Ms. MacCuish, Administrative Assistant; Mr. Pilon, Associate Director, Service Quality & Improvement; Ms. Stranges, Capital Assets Analyst; Ms. Yarnell, Capital Accounting Analyst.  
Community Services Mr. McKay, Associate Director, E.M.S.  
Public Works: Mr. Steele, Associate Director, Strategy Business Management.

Others: Mr. D'Amario, CAO, Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority. Ms. George, Director of Business Services, Niagara Regional Police Services.

#### ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

35. Initiation of 2010 Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority Capital Budget  
**CSD 24-2010**

Moved by Councillor Henderson  
Seconded by Councillor Baty

That Report CSD 24-2010, February 24, 2010, respecting Initiation of 2010 Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority Capital Budget, be received for information;

That financing of \$1,813,836 gross and net be approved and initiated for the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority 2010 Capital Program and allocated to the projects summarized below:

2010 Capital Budget - Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority		
	<u>Gross Budget</u>	<u>Debentures</u>
ZCA1001 Flood Protection Services	188,424	188,424
ZCA1002 Watershed Management	178,750	178,750
ZCA1003 Resource Inventory & Environmental Monitoring	946,662	946,662
ZCA1004 Conservation Land Management	500,000	500,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,813,836</b>	<b>1,813,836</b>

That the financing consist of \$1,813,836 debenture financing (1-10 years); and

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

Carried.

36. Initiation of 2010 Community Services Capital Program  
**CSD 26-2010 (COM 09-2010)**

Moved by Councillor Baty  
Seconded by Councillor Bylsma

That Report CSD 26-2010, February 24, 2010, (COM 09-2010, February 23, 2010) respecting Initiation of 2010 Community Services Capital Program, be received;

That a capital budget allocation in the gross and net amount of \$750,000 be approved for the Community Services Capital Program as submitted in the 2010 Capital Budget and summarized in Appendix 1. (attached)

That approval be given to fund the projects with \$750,000 from the Capital Levy Reserve.

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

Carried.

(Report CSD 26-2010/COM 09-2010 can be found behind Joint Reports tab in Blue Book.)

37. CBRN (Chemical/Biological/Radiological/Nuclear) Emergency Response Team – Reserve Account  
**CSD 27-2010 (PHD 08-2010)**

Moved by Councillor Casselman  
Seconded by Councillor Saracino

That Report CSD 27-2010, February 24, 2010, (PHD 08-2010, February 23, 2010), respecting CBRN (Chemical/Biological/Radiological/Nuclear) Emergency Response Team – Reserve Account, be received.

That this Committee recommend that funds be transferred from the CBRN (Chemical/Biological/Radiological/Nuclear) reserve account to the CBRN/Hazmat Response 2010 operating budget in the amount of \$67,200 to cover the cost of purchasing updated Self-contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) equipment.

Carried.

(Report CSD 27-2010/PHD 08-2010 can be found behind Joint Reports tab in Blue Book.)

38. Police Capital Projects – Transfers and Closures  
**CSD 28-2010**

Moved by Regional Chair Partington  
Seconded by Councillor Burroughs

That Report CSD 28-2010, February 24, 2010, respecting Police Capital Projects – Transfers and Closures, be received;

That the recommendations for Police Capital projects be carried out as approved and noted in PSB 258-2009 dated October 9, 2009;

That an exception be made to the existing Capital Asset Management Policy in that the aforementioned recommendation may be carried out per the former policy due to timing of approvals; and

That project closures be completed as indicated in Appendix A (PSB 258.2009 Appendix 1).

Carried.

39. Declaration of Surplus Land and Disposition

The Consumers' Gas Company  
Regional Road 101 (Mountain Road)  
City of Niagara Falls

**CSD 29-2010 (PWA 19-2010)**

Moved by Councillor Saracino  
Seconded by Councillor Casselman

That Report CSD 29-2010, February 24, 2010 (PWA 19-2010, February 23, 2010), respecting Declaration of Surplus Land and Disposition The Consumers' Gas Company, Regional Road 101 (Mountain Road) City of Niagara Falls, be received.

That a 144 square metre portion (more or less) of land legally described as Part of Township Lot 28, Township of Stamford, now the City of Niagara Falls, Regional Municipality of Niagara, designated as Part 1 on Plan 59R-14112 and shown on Appendix 1 attached hereto be declared surplus to the Region's needs;

That the requirements under the Region's *Disposal of Surplus Property* policy (C3.D02) to first offer the surplus lands to Regional Departments and area municipalities be waived;

That the subject lands be transferred to The Consumers' Gas Company as detailed in confidential Committee Report CSD 30-2010/PWA 18-2010 dated February 23/24, 2010; and

That the Regional Chair and the Regional Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents on behalf of The Regional Municipality of Niagara.

Moved by Councillor Bylsma  
Seconded by Regional Chair Partington

That Report CSD 29-2010, February 24, 2010 (PWA 19-2010, February 23, 2010), respecting Declaration of Surplus Land and Disposition The Consumers' Gas Company, Regional Road 101 (Mountain Road) City of Niagara Falls, be referred for consideration, with further confidential information to be presented from staff on this matter, at the Regional Council meeting of March 4, 2010.

Carried.

(Report CSD 29-2010/PWA 19-2010 can be found behind Joint Reports tab in Blue Book.)

40. Initiation of Capital Project ZPO1005  
Network and Infrastructure Upgrades  
**CSD 30-2010**

Moved by Councillor Baty  
Seconded by Councillor Lepp

That Report CSD 30-2010, February 24, 2010, respecting Initiation of Capital Project ZPO1005 Network and Infrastructure Upgrades, be received.

That Project ZPO1005 – Network and Infrastructure Upgrades be initiated with a gross and net cost of \$1,020,000;

That financing for Project ZPO1005 be provided through long term debenture financing (1-5 years);

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

Carried.

41. 1-2010 (JAC)

Moved by Councillor Henderson  
Seconded by Regional Chair Partington

That Report 1-2010 (JAC) being the minutes of the Joint Advisory Committee Wainfleet Water & Wastewater Servicing Project meeting of January 28, 2010, be received and the following recommendation be approved:

- That the Wainfleet Service Area Financial Tools Study: Scope and Strategy Presentation be received and forwarded, together with the JAC Wainfleet Water and Wastewater Servicing Project minutes of January 28, 2010, to the Wainfleet Township Council.

Carried.

(Report 1-2010 (JAC) can be found behind Joint Reports tab in Blue Book.)

**ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

42. 2010 Reimbursable Mileage Two-tier Rates  
**CSD 23-2010**

Moved by Councillor Bylsma  
Seconded by Councillor Burroughs

That Report CSD 23-2010, February 24, 2010, respecting 2010 Reimbursable Mileage Two-tier rates, be received for information.

Carried.

43. Tax Arrears and Collection Experience of the  
Area Municipality for 2008  
**CSD 25-2010**

Moved by Councillor Bylsma  
Seconded by Councillor Augustyn

That Report CSD 25-2010, February 24, 2010, respecting Tax Arrears and Collection Experience of the Area Municipality for 2008, be received and forwarded to the area municipal councils for information.

Carried.

(Refer to Councillor Information Requests.)

**CORRESPONDENCE**

44. Moved by Councillor D'Angela  
Seconded by Councillor Badawey

That Communication CSC 03-2010, Deb Morton, Executive Director, Regional Municipality of Niagara Police Services Board (February 4, 2010) respecting 2009 Annual Report on Board Activities 16.2010, be received.

Carried.

**CLOSED SESSION**

45. Moved by Councillor Badawey  
Seconded by Councillor Casselman

That this Committee do now meet in Closed Session for purposes of receiving information of a confidential nature relating to a Proposed Acquisition of Land by the Municipality – Lease Agreement with the District School Board of Niagara – Carlton Street Day Care – St. Catharines.

Carried.

46. Proposed Acquisition of Land by the Municipality  
Lease Agreement with the District School Board of Niagara  
Carlton Street Child Care – St. Catharines  
**Confidential CSD 31-2010 (COM 11-2010)**

Moved by Councillor Baty  
Seconded by Councillor Badawey

That Report CSD 31-2010, February 24, 2010 (COM 11-2010, February 23, 2010), respecting Proposed Acquisition of Land by the Municipality Lease Agreement with the District School Board of Niagara – Carlton Street Child Care – St. Catharines, be received for information.

Carried.

47. Moved by Councillor Badawey  
Seconded by Councillor Martin

That this Committee do now rise with report.

Carried.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

48. Joint Corporate Services Committee & Public Works Committee Meeting

Committee agreed that a Joint Corporate Services Committee and Public Works Committee meeting be held on Wednesday, March 10, 2010 at 10:30 a.m. to receive Public input and to consider a report on the Water and Wastewater rates. The Corporate Services Committee meeting will begin earlier at 9:00 a.m.

### **COUNCILLOR INFORMATION REQUESTS**

That staff:

- (i) Provide further information regarding the tax arrears and collection experience of the Area Municipalities for 2008: What are Municipalities Policies? Are arrears 1 to 3 years – can outstanding tax arrears be written off? Consider effect of Tourism (assessment based on three years- will they be assessed higher – how does that impact on other properties)? Are there any amounts that include pre-legislation change? Clarify Business Tax component. (Committee members) Refer to Report CSD 25-2010 and minute item 43.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Committee adjourned at 10:50 a.m. to meet again on Wednesday, March 10, 2010, at 9:30 a.m. in Council Chambers, Regional Headquarters.

Dave Augustyn  
Co-Chair

Gail Reilly  
Legislative Assistant

Doug Martin  
Co-Chair

Kevin Bain  
Regional Clerk