

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

REPORT 10-2010

Minutes of a meeting of the Public Works Committee held in Council Chamber, Regional Municipal Building, Thorold, Ontario, on Tuesday, July 27, 2010 commencing at 9:38 a.m.

ATTENDANCE

Committee: Councillors Badawey, Presiding as Chair, Augustyn, Baty, Burroughs, D'Angela, Goulbourne, Henderson, Marshall, Puttick, Salci, Timms, Trombetta.

Staff: Messrs. Trojan, CAO; Pollock, Acting Commissioner Public Works; Cousins, Director Transportation Services; Rittner, Associate Director, Water and Wastewater; Kyne; Director Legal Services; Bain, Regional Clerk; Ms. McManus, Legislative Assistant.

Other: Messrs. Steele, Associate Director, Strategy Business Management; Flora, Associate Director Transportation Systems; Pilon, Associate Director, Service Quality & Improvement; Niesink, Biosolids Manager; Hughes, Director Properties Management; Bergen, Transportation; Ms. Sandwell-Lavergne, Lead, Finance Operations; Ms. Koz, Manager Fleet Services; Ms. Radman, Manager, Development Planning; Ms. Swigger, Co-op Student Clerks Division and Brock University Political Science Student.

PRESENTATIONS

190. South Niagara East-West Arterial Road Corridor
Class Environmental Assessment Project Summary

Mr. Palomba, Vice President, Delcan provided Committee members with information respecting the South Niagara East-West Arterial Road Corridor.

(A copy of Mr. Palomba's Presentation can be found attached to these minutes)

Moved by Councillor Henderson
Seconded by Councillor Burroughs

That Mr. Palomba's Presentation respecting the South Niagara East-West Arterial Road Corridor, be received for information.

Carried.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

191. Memorandum (dated July 14, 2010) from Mr. Colosimo
Respecting Response to Request to Waive Application Review Fee
PWC 22-2010

Moved by Councillor Augustyn
Seconded by Councillor D'Angela

That PWC 22-2010 (dated July 14, 2010) Memorandum respecting Response to Request to Waive Application Review Fee from Ray and Liz Kowalik (Refer to PWC 21-2010), be received for information.

Carried.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

192. South Niagara East-West Arterial Road Corridor Environmental Assessment Study
PWA 73-2010

Moved by Councillor Augustyn
Seconded by Councillor Trombetta

That Report PWA 73-2010, July 27, 2010, respecting South Niagara East-West Arterial Road Corridor Environmental Assessment Study, be received;

That Phases 3 and 4 of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment process proceed and charged to Capital Project RC0939 South Niagara East-West Arterial;

That a detailed transportation modeling exercise be carried out as part of Phase 3 of the Environmental Assessment process in light of data refinements arising out of Niagara 2031, the Niagara to GTA Planning and Environmental Assessment study, and the Gateway Economic Zone and Centre initiatives; and

That a copy of this report be forwarded to the Niagara to GTA Corridor Planning and Environmental Assessment Study Project Team and Ministry of Transportation Central Region for their information.

Carried.

193. Correspondence from Ray and Liz Kowalik
Respecting the Request to Waive the Application fee of \$500.00
To Permit Operation of a Driving Range
PWC 21-2010

Moved by Councillor Timms
Seconded by Councillor Baty

That PWC 21-2010 (dated July 3, 2010) Correspondence from Ray and Liz Kowalik respecting the Request to Waive the Application fee of \$500.00 to extend the temporary use of a Driving Range , be received; and

That Mr. and Mrs. Kowalik's \$500.00 Application fee for the Region's review of a Zoning By-Law amendment application submitted to the City of St. Catharines be waived.

Carried.

194. Proposed Speed Limit Reduction
Regional Road 39 (North Service Road)
Town of Grimsby
PWA 65-2010

Moved by Councillor Trombetta
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That Report PWA 65-2010, July 27, 2010, respecting Proposed Speed Limit Reduction Regional Road 39 (North Service Road) Town of Grimsby, be received;

That the existing 40 km/h posted speed limit on Regional Road 39 (North Service Road), in the vicinity of Our Lady of Fatima School, be extended an additional 150 metres westerly; and

That the Regional Clerk be requested to ensure the necessary by-law amendment is presented to Council on August 5, 2010 to affect this change.

Carried.

195. Approval of the 2010 Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Program, Phase 2
PWA 66-2010

Moved by Councillor Trombetta
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That Report PWA 66-2010, July 27, 2010, respecting Approval of the 2010 Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Program, Phase 2, be received;

That staff be authorized to proceed with the proposed 2010 Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Program Phase 2, as outlined in this report; and

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

Carried.

196. Extension of Niagara's Biosolids Management Agreement
PWA 67-2010(CSD 78-2010)

Moved by Councillor Trombetta
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That Report PWA 67-2010(CSD 78-2010), July 27, 2010, respecting Extension of Niagara's Biosolids Management Agreement, be received;

That a contract amendment and extension with Terratec Environmental Ltd., for a 3-year term commencing January 1, 2011, for the management of Niagara's biosolids liquid land application, be approved;

That the 2011 rates for the services, included in the amended contract, be approved in accordance with Appendix 'A' attached;

That the annual inflationary adjustment be calculated based on an 80% Canadian Price Index (CPI) Ontario Index and a monthly diesel fuel adjustment based on 20% Diesel Ontario Index, as per the existing terms of the agreement;

That the contract be amended to include a "Change in Law" clause to address pending changes from the January 1st, 2011 implementation of Ontario Regulation 267/03, the nutrient management regulation;

That costs associated with this service are charged to the appropriate cost centres in the Water and Wastewater Services operating budgets for years 2011, 2012, and 2013; and

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 Agreement on behalf of Niagara Region upon final contract review and approval by the Regional Solicitor.

Carried.

(Please note that Report PWA 67-2010(CSD 78-2010) can be found behind the Joint Reports Blue Book Tab)

197. Proposed 40 km/hour in School Zone
Regional Road 56 (Collier Road)
City of Thorold
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PWA 70-2010

Moved by Councillor Trombetta
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That Report PWA 70-2010, July 27, 2010, respecting Proposed 40 km/hour in School Zone Regional Road 56 (Collier Road) City of Thorold, be received, **as amended**;

That the portion of Regional Road 56 (Collier Road), from 150 metres north to 20 metres south of the limits of property of Richmond Street School, be designated a 40 km/hour speed zone during certain hours of the day;

That Staff provide a further report on a School Zone for the Monsignor Clancy Elementary School in the City of Thorold, at the September 14, 2010 meeting of the Public Works Committee; and

That the Regional Clerk be requested to ensure the necessary by-law amendment is presented to Council on August 5, 2010 to affect this change.

Carried.

198. Proposed Reinstatement of Parking
Regional Road 3 (Lakeshore Road)
Township of Wainfleet
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PWA 71-2010

Moved by Councillor D'Angela
Seconded by Councillor Timms

That Report PWA 71-2010, July 27, 2010, respecting Proposed Reinstatement of Parking Regional Road 3 (Lakeshore Road) Township of Wainfleet, be received;

That parking be reinstated on the south side of Regional Road 3 (Lakeshore Road), from residential house #31L101 to #31L81;

That parking be reinstated on the north side of Regional Road 3 (Lakeshore Road), from residential house #30L35 to 30L15;

That the Regional Clerk be requested to submit the necessary by-law amendment to Council on August 5, 2010 to affect this change.

Carried.

199. Proposed Speed Limit Reduction
Regional Road 41 (Woodlawn Road)
City of Welland

PWA 72-2010

Moved by Councillor Trombetta
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That Report PWA 72-2010, July 27, 2010 respecting Proposed Speed Limit Reduction Regional Road 41 (Woodlawn Road) City of Welland, be received;

That the existing posted speed limit on Regional Road 41 (Woodlawn Road), from King's Highway 406 to 150 metres west of River Road, be reduced from 80 km/h to 60 km/h; and

That the Regional Clerk be requested to ensure the necessary by-law amendment is presented to Council on August 5, 2010 to affect this change.

Carried.

200. Contract Award 2010-RFP-39
Roof Replacement
Bulk Storage Facility
Welland Patrol Yard

PWA 76-2010(CSD 86-2010)

Moved by Councillor Trombetta
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That Report PWA 76-2010(CSD 86-2010), July 27, 2010 respecting Contract Award 2010-RFP-39 Roof Replacement Bulk Storage Facility Welland Patrol Yard, be received;

That the Contingency reserve be used as funding in the amount of \$995,000 and allocated to Project GD1020 Roof Replacement Bulk Storage Facility, Welland Patrol Yard. The original cost of the roof/structure was approximately \$950K;

That subject to the confirmation of structural adequacy by the Region's structural consultant, a contract for proposal No 2010-RFP-39, Welland Patrol Yard Roof Replacement, be awarded to Olympia Fabric Structures Of Ontario Corporation at the bid price of \$899,400.00; and

That a contingency allowance in the amount of \$30,000.00 be provided for this contract.

Carried.

(Please note that Report PWA 76-2010(CSD 86-2010) can be found behind the Joint Reports Blue Book Tab)

201. Transportation Strategy Steering Committee
July 13, 2010

Moved by Councillor Augustyn
Seconded by Councillor D'Angela

That the minutes of the Transportation Strategy Steering Committee meeting of July 13, 2010, be received and the following recommendation be approved:

That future Quarterly Reports concerning the Inter-Municipal Transit Pilot Project be forwarded to the Transportation Strategy Steering Committee for information.

Carried.

202. Agreement for Road Works
Oakwood Drive and McLeod Road Intersection Improvements
Owner: Oakwood Place and Shopping Centre Limited
Regional Road 49 (McLeod Road) at Oakwood Drive
In the City of Niagara Falls
PWA 75-2010

Moved by Councillor Salci
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That Report PWA 75-2010, July 27, 2010 respecting Agreement for Road Works Oakwood Drive and McLeod Road Intersection Improvements Owner: Oakwood Place and Shopping Centre Limited Regional Road 49 (McLeod Road) at Oakwood Drive In the City of Niagara Falls, be received;

That the Region enters into an Agreement with Oakwood Place Shopping Centre Limited to expedite intersection improvements at Oakwood Drive and Regional Road 49 (McLeod Road) in time for the January 2011 opening of Walmart located on the west side of Oakwood Drive, south of McLeod Road, in the City of Niagara Falls;

That the Agreement outline responsibilities and secure financial commitments to cover the developer's share of costs associated with the construction of the required road improvements at this location;

That the Regional Chair and Regional Clerk be authorized to execute this Agreement; and

That the City of Niagara Falls be circulated a copy of this report.

Carried.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION (continued)

203. Project Activity Report
Transportation Services
PWP 20-2010

Moved by Councillor Trombetta
Seconded by Councillor Henderson

That Report PWP 20-2010, July 27, 2010, respecting Project Activity Report Transportation Services, be received for information.

Carried.

204. Project/Studies Activity Report
Transportation Strategy
PWP 21-2010

Moved by Councillor Trombetta
Seconded by Councillor Henderson

That Report PWP 21-2010, July 27, 2010, respecting Project/Studies Activity Report Transportation Strategy, be received for information.

Carried.

205. Memorandum (dated July 7, 2010) from Heather Sim
Respecting Journal of Public Works and Infrastructure Publication
PWC 20-2010

Moved by Councillor Goulbourne
Seconded by Councillor Augustyn

That PWC 20-2010 a Memorandum from Heather Sim, July 7, 2010, respecting the Journal of Public Works and Infrastructure Publication, be received for information.

Carried.

206. Letter (dated July 11, 2010) from Ms. Lori Tuinstra
Respecting Change to Waste Management Collection for Residential Units
PWC 23-2010

Moved by Councillor Goulbourne
Seconded by Councillor Augustyn

That PWC 23-2010 a Letter (dated July 11, 2010) from Ms. Lori Tuinstra Respecting Change to Waste Management Collection for Residential Units, be received for information.

Carried.

(Refer to Councillor Information Requests)

207. Letter (dated July 20, 2010) from Peter Hume, President, Association of
Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) respecting Waste Diversion Act
PWC 24-2010

Moved by Councillor Goulbourne
Seconded by Councillor Augustyn

That PWC 24-2010 a Letter (dated July 20, 2010) from Peter Hume, President, Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) respecting Waste Diversion Act, be received for information.

Carried.

208. Regional Niagara Bicycling Committee
June 1, 2010

Moved by Councillor Augustyn
Seconded by Councillor Trombetta

That the Minutes of the Regional Niagara Bicycling Committee meeting of June 1, 2010, be received for information.

Carried.

209. Niagara Health System Transportation Improvement Plan Committee
June 1, 2010

Moved by Councillor Augustyn
Seconded by Councillor Trombetta

That the Minutes of the Niagara Health System Transportation Improvement Plan Committee meeting of June 1, 2010, be received for information.

Carried.

210. Inter-Municipal Specialized Transit Advisory Committee
May 17, 2010

Moved by Councillor Augustyn
Seconded by Councillor Trombetta

That the Minutes of the Inter-Municipal Specialized Transit Advisory Committee meeting of June 1, 2010, be received for information.

Carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

211. Water Quality

Councillor Goulbourne requested that Commissioner Brothers provide a brief presentation summarizing for Committee members recent improvements to Water Quality (e.g. Conference South America etc.,).

212. East Main Street and Wellington Street
City of Welland

Councillor Goulbourne requested that staff provide a one or two page memorandum updating him on the East Main / Wellington Street Project in the City of Welland.

213. E-mail Correspondence respecting servicing; Township of West Lincoln

Councillor Trombetta requested that staff review and provide clarification respecting a recent e-mail from Mr. Brothers indicating that the servicing project for the Township of West Lincoln would proceed. Councillor Trombetta expressed concern due to the ongoing Ontario Municipal Board appeal regarding RPP2-2009.

Mr. Trojan stated that he would follow up with Councillor Trombetta.

COUNCILLOR INFORMATION REQUESTS

Staff was requested to:

- Summarize circumstances that arise respecting the collection of waste from multi-residential developments; specifically pertaining to the issue of Waste Management vehicles safely entering and exiting townhome developments (Refer to Minute Item #206) (Councillor Timms/ Councillor D'Angela)
- Explore options respecting a *streamlined process for Regional Staff to effectively communicate to Regional Councillors comments they have made respecting municipal developments/applications (Councillor Timms)
*Councillor Augustyn requested that staff outline the staff time and cost associated with this process

ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 11:10 a.m. to meet again at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, September 14, 2010 in Committee Room #4, Regional Headquarters.

Vance Badawey
Acting Chair

Lisa McManus
Legislative Assistant

Kevin Bain
Regional Clerk