

# THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA

## PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

### REPORT CL 6-2003

The Municipal Council of the Regional Municipality of Niagara met in Closed Session in the Council Chamber, Regional Municipal Building, Thorold, Ontario, on Thursday, April 17, 2003 commencing at 4:00 p.m.

### ATTENDANCE

Council: Regional Chair Zimmerman; Councillors Badawey, Bentley, Brickell, Burroughs; Collins, Davidson, Forster, Gabriel, Haeck, Hildreth; Konkle, Marshall, Martin, McMullan, Muir, Nicholson, Partington; Redekop, Rigby, Saracino, Smeaton, Thomson, Timms.

Staff: Messrs. Trojan, Chief Administrative Officer; Bacchus, Commissioner Corporate Services; Cambray, Commissioner of Planning Services; Hollick, Regional Clerk; Neville, Commissioner Public Works; Ms. Reid, Commissioner, Community Services Department; Dr. Williams, Medical Officer of Health; Ms. Reilly, Legislative Assistant.

Others: Messrs. Banting, Director, Legal Services; Chado Brcic, Director, Water and Wastewater Services; Mr. Diakow, Director, Information Systems; Mr. Lockyer, Treasurer; Mr. Schlange, Manager, Partnership Development; Ms. St. Johns, Director, Clinical Services; Ms. Williams, Senior Financial Analyst.

122.

### CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councillor Brickell  
Seconded by Councillor Bentley

That this Council do now move into Closed Committee of the Whole for the purposes of receiving information of a confidential nature relating to legal, personnel and property matters.

Carried.

123. Oral Report – Bruce Banting, Director Legal Services  
Re: Port Colborne Class Action Suit

### Conflict of Interest

Councillor Badawey declared an indirect pecuniary interest with respect to the oral report by Bruce Banting, Director of Legal Services, regarding the Port Colborne Class Action Suit as he is Mayor of the City of Port Colborne and he

therefore vacated his seat in the Council Chambers, and took no part in the discussion of, or voting, on this matter.

Mr. Banting, Director, Legal Services, provided an update on the Port Colborne Class Action Suit.

Moved by Councillor Collins  
Seconded by Councillor Burroughs

That the Region accept advice of outside counsel via a settlement offer and proceed as directed by this Committee.

Carried.

### **CLOSED COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, RISE AND REPORT**

124. Moved by Councillor Martin  
Seconded by Councillor Smeaton

That this Council do now rise with report.

Carried.

Following Committee of the Whole, Council met in regular session, commencing at 4:56 p.m. with an Invocation by Councillor Nicholson, followed by the singing of O' Canada.

125. **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Smeaton declared an indirect pecuniary interest with respect to any matters relating to the Homes for the Aged, as he is an employee of a Seniors Home and he therefore took no part in the discussion of, or voting, on these matters.

Councillor Badawey declared an indirect pecuniary interest with respect to any matters relating to Social Housing, as a member of his family is Chair of the Board, and he therefore took no part in the discussion of, or voting, on these matters.

Councillor Timms declared an indirect pecuniary interest with respect to any matters relating to Regional Development Charges, as his family has an interest in a development company and he therefore took no part in the discussion of, or voting, on these matters.

Councillor Forster declared an indirect pecuniary interest with respect to any matters relating to ONA, as she is an employee of the association and she therefore took no part in the discussion of, or voting, on these matters.

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

126. Moved by Councillor Davidson  
Seconded by Councillor Collins

That Council Agenda CL 6-2003, be adopted as presented.

Carried.

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**CHAIR'S REMARKS**

The Chair thanked Sunrise Greenhouses Limited of Vineland Station for the donation of beautiful potted plants displayed in the Chambers.

The Grimsby Peach Kings were congratulated for advancing to the All Ontario Hockey Association Jr. C Championship finals.

The Chair was pleased to announce that Andy Gindroz was made an Honourary Paramedic. Andy, a grade 12 student at Sir Winston is seeking medical attention for a brain tumour. Andy sets an example to all with his enthusiasm, positive attitude and zest for life. His life long goal is to be a paramedic. He is active in the community and continues to volunteer. Andy, together with Niagara Regional Police Sergeant Brian Richardson, was honoured for their volunteer efforts in St. Catharines at a recent volunteer recognition event.

The Federal government has announced a plan to spend \$435 million on improvements to the GO network. Part of the announcement included a bus-rail-service to Niagara Falls. GO Transit will determine if stops will occur between Hamilton and Niagara Falls. MP Walt Lastewka has asked the Region for recommendations for future GO/VIA plans for the Region. This will be discussed at the next Transportation and Steering Committee meeting on May 6<sup>th</sup>. Recommendations will be forwarded to Minister Collenette.

The Chair congratulated Bill Connor and his team at Niagara Economic and Tourism Corporation for a successful year and successful annual general meeting. Jim Franks, Chief Economist for the Conference Board of Canada, keynote speaker at the Annual General Meeting, had some good news – he predicts that Niagara's economy, especially the tourism industry, will continue to thrive in the next 18 months. Our economic growth (predicted at 3.8%) will out perform the national average (3%).

On May 3<sup>rd</sup>, Mayor Forster has invited us to walk, rollerblade, wheel or bike the canal's trails in Welland as part of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Greater Niagara Circle Trek Event – everyone was encouraged to participate.

The Chair congratulated Niagara's wineries for winning many prestigious awards at the VinItaly competition. Vineland Estates Winery garnered the Grand VinItaly 2003 award, which is given to the winery that earns the highest combined scores

from its best medal winners. The winery won a gold medal for its 1999 Vidal Icewine and a silver medal for its 2000 Vidal Icewine. It has become the first Canadian winery to win the honour in the 37 year history of the competition.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

128. Report 5-2003

Moved by Councillor Marshall  
Seconded by Councillor Rigby

That Report 5-2003, being the minutes of the Proceedings of the Council meeting of Thursday, March 20, 2003, be approved and adopted, with an addition to the Staff Directions, as follows:

“That the provincial proposal for a pedestrian underpass at the Fonthill Spur, as discussed under Minute item 101 in Report PW 5-2003, be referred to the Smart Growth Committee, the Regional Bicycling Committee, the Transportation Steering Committee, and the Planning Services Committee, for further discussion and recommendations on the original proposal for the widening of the highway overpass.”

Carried.

129.

CORRESPONDENCE

Communications were received and dealt with as follows:

C6071 City of Welland resolution (March 18, 2003) supporting the Regional Municipality of Niagara to petition the provincial government to negotiate a new deal for revenue sharing with Ontario Municipalities.

-Received.

C6072 Card of thanks from Mildred Branscombe for the kind donation to the Niagara Community Foundation in memory of her husband Frank Branscombe.

-Received.

C6074 Janet Ecker, Minister of Finance (March 14, 2003) expressing appreciation to the Regional Chair for pre-budget consultations and advice from the Region of Niagara.

-Received.

Moved by Councillor McMullan  
Seconded by Councillor Saracino

That Communications C6071, C6072 and C6074 be received and dealt with as directed by this Council and as noted in these minutes.

Carried.

Moved by Councillor Hildreth  
Seconded by Councillor Konkle

That Communication C6073 regarding the resolution from the Corporation of the Township of Smith-Ennismore-Lakefield requesting support for their resolution – Safe Drinking Water Act and Sustainable Water and Sewage System Act, be received and referred to staff for the legal definition of what is meant by “Actions of a Reasonably Prudent Person”.

Carried.

#### CORPORATE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

##### 130. Report 6-2003

Moved by Councillor Martin  
Seconded by Councillor Saracino

That Report 6-2003, being the minutes of the Corporate and Financial Services Committee meeting of Wednesday, March 26, 2003, be approved and adopted.

Moved by Councillor Rigby  
Seconded by Councillor McMullan

That minute item #60 regarding Report CLK 11-2003, Award of Contract-POA Third Party Collections Request for Proposals #2002-RFP-16, be lifted and referred to the next Committee meeting.

Lost.

Upon a vote being taken, the Regional Chair declared the original motion carried.

(Refer to staff direction on page CL 77.)

COMMUNITY AND HEALTH SERVICES COMMITTEE

131. Report 6-2003

Moved by Councillor Hildreth  
Seconded by Councillor Davidson

That Report 6-2003, being the minutes of the Community and Health Services Committee meeting of Monday, March 24, 2003, be approved and adopted.

Carried.

PLANNING SERVICES COMMITTEE

132. Report 6-2003

Moved by Councillor Smeaton  
Seconded by Councillor Burroughs

That Report 6-2003, being the minutes of the Planning Services Committee meeting of Wednesday, March 26, 2003, be approved and adopted with an amendment to minute item 85 to include an additional recommendation as follows: "That the Regional Chair and Regional Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary legal agreement pertaining to Regional Niagara's Waterfront Trail construction projects for 2003 under the SuperBuild/Canada-Ontario Infrastructure Program".

Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE

133. Report 6-2003

Moved by Councillor Badawey  
Seconded by Councillor Rigby

That Report 6-2003, being the minutes of the Public Works and Utilities Committee meeting of Tuesday, March 25, 2003, be approved and adopted.

Carried.

(Refer to staff direction on page CL 77.)

JOINT MEETING OF THE PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE, PLANNING SERVICES COMMITTEE AND TRANSPORTATION STRATEGY STEERING COMMITTEE

134. Report PW 7-2003, PSC 7-2003 & TSSC 3-2003

Moved by Councillor Smeaton  
Seconded by Councillor Badawey

That Report PW 7-2003, PSC 7-2003 & TSSC 3-2003, being the minutes of the Joint Meeting of the Public Works and Utilities Committee, Planning Services Committee and Transportation Strategy Steering Committee of Tuesday, March 25, 2003, be approved and adopted.

Carried.

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HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

135. Moved by Councillor Davidson  
Seconded by Councillor Badawey

That Report 3-2003, being the minutes of the Human Resources Committee meeting of April 8, 2003, be moved forward and dealt with at this time.

Carried.

Councillor Nicholson read the highlights of the meeting but it was determined by Council that these minutes be dealt with after the recess to ensure that the public would be in attendance to hear any discussions/debate on these matters.

**The Regional Council meeting was recessed at 5:55 p.m.**

**The Regional Council meeting reconvened at 7:00 p.m.**

136. **PUBLIC MEETING – 7:00 P.M.**

**AMENDMENT TO THE  
REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CHARGES BY-LAW 111-1999  
(Bill 34)**

The Regional Clerk outlined the process for the public meeting to consider the amendment to the Regional Development Charges By-law 111-1999 and asked if there was anyone present to speak to the amendment. After calling three times for speakers, it was determined that there were no speakers.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### 137. Programs Happening in Schools

Bill Ross, Vice-Principal and Nicole Borland, Student, West Park Secondary School, and Katey Sica, Student and Hayley Niven, Student, John Marshall Elementary School attended to apprise Council and the public of the wide array of programs offered at their schools. Students are challenged to seek excellence through regular or gifted/enriched programs. All of the subject areas lead to university and college entrance in the Arts & Sciences, Business and Engineering fields. Such programs include studio art, graphic arts, music and television arts, computer electronics and music. Also provided to students are guidance and career education both at the elementary and secondary levels.

### 138. Tobacco-Free World Poster Contest Awards

The Regional Chair, together with Sandy Polly and Sarah Rose of the Public Health Dept. presented awards to elementary students from across the Region for their winning submissions in the second annual "My tobacco-Free Niagara" Poster contest, sponsored by the Public Health Dept. There were over 4,500 entries in three age categories received from 93 schools. These numbers increased greatly from 2,200 submissions from 51 schools in 2002. The contest was launched in all elementary schools during National Non-Smoking Week in January 2003, as part of a comprehensive strategy that aims to educate and denormalize smoking amongst youth, while also helping to educate Niagara's students regarding the dangers of smoking and ETS.

### 139. Minute Item 98 in Report PS 8-2003 Appeal of Zoning By-law Amendment 03-10-Z265 Culp Transport, North Service Road (R.R. 39) and Merritt Road, Lincoln

Tom Sims and Joseph Szymusiak attended to seek support of the resolution in the Planning Services Committee minutes that Regional Council appeal zoning by-law Amendment 03-10-Z265. Mr. Szymusiak expressed his concerns regarding the hauling of garbage; dumping; air pollution; possible dumping of hazardous material; impact on septic system; drainage concerns and reduction in property values.

Tom Richardson and James Culp attended to ask the Region to withdraw its appeal to Zoning by-law Amendment 03-10-Z265. Mr. Richardson provided background information on the property, previous severances, the location and size of the areas and the zoning applied to the property. Mr. Culp provided family background and historical information on the property and its transformation from farming to its current business use.

Moved by Councillor Marshall  
Seconded by Councillor Muir

That Minute item 98 regarding Report DPD 30-2003, Appeal of Zoning By-law Amendment 03-10-Z265 Culp Transport, North Service Road (Regional Road 39) and Merritt Road in the Town of Lincoln, contained in Report 8-2003, being the minutes of the Planning Services Committee meeting of April 9, 2003 be lifted, moved forward and dealt with by this Council at this time.

Carried.

Upon a recorded vote being requested on minute item 98 regarding Report DPD 30-2003, Appeal of Zoning By-law Amendment 03-10-Z265 Culp Transport, North Service Road (Regional Road 39) and Merritt Road in the Town of Lincoln, Council was divided on the motion as follows:

Voting for the Motion:

Collins  
Brickell  
Gabriel  
Haeck  
Marshall  
McMullan  
Nicholson  
Smeaton

(8)

Voting against the Motion:

Badawey  
Burroughs  
Davidson  
Forster  
Hildreth  
Konkle  
Martin  
Muir  
Partington  
Redekop  
Rigby  
Saracino  
Timms

(13)

Upon a recorded vote being taken, the Regional Chair declared the motion lost.

Moved by Councillor Hildreth  
Seconded by Councillor Partington

That the Region withdraw its appeal of Zoning By-law Amendment 03-10Z2645, Culp Transport, North Service Road (Regional Road 39) and Merritt Road in the Town of Lincoln; and

That the Region work aggressively with the Town of Lincoln on the Site Plan Agreement.

Carried.

140. Moved by Councillor Davidson  
Seconded by Councillor Badawey

That Report 3-2003, being the minutes of the Human Resources Committee meeting of April 8, 2003, be moved forward and dealt with by this Council at this time.

Carried.

#### HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

141. Report 3-2003

Moved by Councillor Nicholson  
Seconded by Councillor Saracino

That Report 3-2003, being the minutes of the Human Resources Committee meeting of Tuesday, April 8, 2003, be approved and adopted.

Carried.

#### PLANNING SERVICES COMMITTEE

142. Report 8-2003

Moved by Councillor Smeaton  
Seconded by Councillor McMullan

That Report 8-2003, being the minutes of the Planning Services Committee meeting of Wednesday, April 9, 2003, be approved and adopted, save and except minute item 98, respecting Appeal of Zoning By-law Amendment 03-10-Z265, Culp Transport, North Service Road (Regional Road 39) and Merritt Road, Town of Lincoln, which was dealt with separately.

Carried.

COMMUNITY AND HEALTH SERVICES COMMITTEE

143. Report 7-2003

Moved by Councillor Hildreth  
Seconded by Councillor Davidson

That Report 7-2003, being the minutes of the Community and Health Services Committee meeting of Monday, April 7, 2003, be approved and adopted, save and except for minute item 79 regarding Outside Legal and Paralegal Services, which is to be deferred as per minute item #26 in the Human Resources Committee Report 3-2003, dated April 8, 2003 and minute item #77 in the Corporate and Financial Services Committee Report CFS 7-2003, dated April 9, 2003; and

Save and except minute item #77 Proposed Property Acquisition Ridgeway Ambulance Station site in the Town of Fort Erie, which was deferred as per minute item #168 contained in Public Works & Utilities Committee Report 8-2003, dated April 8, 2003, to allow staff the opportunity to evaluate another option.

Carried.

CORPORATE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

144. Report 7-2003

Moved by Councillor Martin  
Seconded by Councillor Saracino

That Report 7-2003, being the minutes of the Corporate and Financial Services Committee meeting of Wednesday, April 9, 2003, be approved and adopted.

Moved by Councillor Collins  
Seconded by Councillor Martin

That Appendix II of Report CSD 49-2003, regarding Review of Regional Development Charges By-law and Related Policies, be amended to allow for ample time for a Public Advisory Committee, to include the Niagara Peninsula Home Builders Association and the General Contractors Association of Niagara, to provide input on various options for amending the Region's Development Charges By-law.

Carried.

Upon a vote being taken, the Regional Chair declared the original motion, as amended, carried.

(Refer to staff directions on page CL 77.)

PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE

145. Report 8-2003

Conflicts of Interest

Chair Zimmerman declared an indirect pecuniary interest with respect to the Transportation Steering Committee meeting related to the Niagara Crossing as she is a property owner in that vicinity and therefore took no part in the discussion of, or voting, on this matter.

Councillor Redekop declared an indirect pecuniary interest with respect to the matter of the Quarry Rehab, as this impacts a client, and he therefore took no part in the discussion of, or voting, on this matter.

Councillor McMullan declared an indirect pecuniary interest with respect to Niagara Recycling as a family member is an employee, and he therefore took no part in the discussion of, or voting, on this matter.

Moved by Councillor Badawey  
Seconded by Councillor Redekop

That Report 8-2003, being the minutes of the Public Works and Utilities Committee meeting of Tuesday, April 8, 2003, be approved and adopted.

Moved by Councillor Badawey  
Seconded by Councillor Konkle

That minute item 161 and the motion on page PW 74 regarding Niagara Road 12 Landfill Site, be deferred to obtain legal advice regarding the authority to do as directed.

Carried.

Upon a vote being taken, the Regional Chair declared the original motion, as amended, carried.

146.

CORRESPONDENCE

C6075 Deb Morton, Executive Director, Regional Municipality of Niagara Police Services Board (March 28, 2003) motion respecting Grant Renewal – Community Policing Partnerships (CPP) Program.

-Approved.

- C6076 Frank Klees, Minister of Transportation (March 13, 2003) respecting an extension on the comment period for the 15 Public Information Centres and three Workshops that were held regarding the Mid-Peninsula Transportation Corridor and draft Environmental Assessment (EA) Terms of Reference ToR).
- Received.
- C6077 Andy Mitchell, Secretary of State, (Rural Development, Federal Economic Development Initiative for Northern Ontario), to The Honourable Janet Ecker, Minister of Finance, (April 2, 2003), providing the federal government record on infrastructure investments in Ontario.
- Received.
- C6078 Sheila Richardson, Chair, OCMBP Steering Committee, Ontario Centre for Municipal Best Practices, supported by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and AMO, announcing the first series of seven best practices on their web page: [www.ocmbp.ca](http://www.ocmbp.ca) .
- Received.
- C6079 Debbie M. Zimmerman, Regional Chair (April 11, 2003) respecting Resolutions from other Municipalities:
- City of Brampton (March 27, 2002) with respect to the widespread decline of ash trees attributed to the bark boring insect, "Emerald Ash Borer".
- Received.
- C6080 Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority, 2002 Annual Report
- Received.
- C6081 Memorandum from Corwin Cambray, Commissioner of Planning and Development (April 17, 2003) requesting the inclusion of an additional recommendation for Report CSD 36-2003/DPD 42-2003) regarding Funding Agreement Under the SuperBuild/Canada-Ontario Infrastructure Program for Waterfront Trail construction in Niagara
- Received and include amendment to Planning Services Committee Report 6-2003.

Moved by Councillor McMullan  
Seconded by Councillor Davidson

That Communications C6075 to C6081 be received and dealt with as directed by this Council and as noted in these minutes.

Carried.

147. **NOTICE OF MOTION**

Councillor Redekop gave notice that at the next Council meeting he will bring forward a motion to urge the Province to complete the border contingency plan and allocate adequate funds and staff to implement same.

148. **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Mr. Trojan apprised Council of the Leadership Roundtable that will be taking place for the new group of staff for the 2003 program. Councillors are invited to attend these sessions on May 30<sup>th</sup> and/or June 20<sup>th</sup>. This will provide Councillors an opportunity to see how the Region is building leadership in their management staff.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

149. **Police – Business Plan**

Councillor Muir advised that the Police are currently preparing their business plan for 2004-2006 during April 23<sup>rd</sup> to May 7<sup>th</sup> and that Councillors are invited to attend the public forums being held for this purpose.

150. **Traffic Fatality Symposium**

Councillor Brickell advised Council of the Traffic Fatality Symposium that was held to try and determine why the Niagara Region has such a high level of traffic fatalities. The Niagara Region has the highest rate of traffic fatalities in the entire Province. The Councillor commented that there were approximately 100 persons in attendance with broad representation from members of the Community and excellent participation from the Region's Public Works and Public Health Departments.

151. **Helping Hands**

Councillor Rigby congratulated Niagara College ACE and volunteers for their "helping hands" in repairing and remodelling Bethlehem Home and the residence next door.

152. Walter Ostanek  
The March of Dimes will be honouring Walter Ostanek at the Heidehof on Thursday, April 24<sup>th</sup> and tickets are available for those that would like to attend.

**BY-LAWS**

153. Moved by Councillor Partington  
Seconded by Councillor Marshall

That Bill 32, Bill 33 and Bill 35 be now read and do pass:

Bill 32

A by-law to authorize Debenture Financing (1-5 Years) in the amount of \$1,515,001 for Project ZGD0210, Regional Radio System and Project ZGD0306, Arwis/Brine Station Strategies from the 2003 Buildings and Equipment Capital Program

Bill 33

A by-law to authorize Debenture Financing (1-10 Years) in the amount of \$13,556,908 for Individual Projects in the 2003 Roads Capital Budget

Bill 35

A by-law to adopt, ratify and confirm the actions of the Regional Council at its meeting held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 2003

Carried.

154. Moved by Councillor Redekop  
Seconded by Councillor McMullan

That Bill 34 be now read and do pass:

Bill 34

A by-law to amend by-law No. 111-1999 being a by-law to impose Development Charges for the Regional Municipality of Niagara

Carried.

155. Moved by Councillor Martin  
Seconded by Councillor Saracino

That Bill 36 and Bill 37 be now read and do pass:

Bill 36

A by-law to set and levy the rates of taxation for Regional purposes for the year 2003.

Bill 37

A by-law to set tax ratios and tax rate reductions for prescribed property subclasses for Regional purposes and Area Municipal purposes.

Carried.

156. Moved by Councillor Rigby  
Seconded by Councillor Brickell

That Bill 38 and Bill 39 be now read and do pass:

Bill 38

A by-law to authorize debenture financing (1-10 years) in the amount of \$309,456 for Public Health Capital Project ZGRO101, Land Ambulance Buildings

Bill 39

A by-law to adopt, ratify and confirm the actions of the Regional Council at its meeting held on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of April 2003

Carried.

157. Moved by Councillor Saracino  
Seconded by Councillor Martin

That Bill 40, Bill 41 and Bill 42 be now read and do pass:

Bill 40

A By-law to Provide for the Regulation of Traffic on Regional Roads in the Town of Fort Erie

Bill 41

A By-law to Establish Block 8, Plan 59M-305, in the Town of Fort Erie, as Part of Regional Road No. 1 (Dominion Road)

Bill 42

A By-law to Close and Convey Part of the Excess Untravelled Portion of Regional Road No. 18 (Ontario Street) in the Town of Lincoln

Carried.

### **STAFF DIRECTIONS**

Staff was directed to:

- (i) Request MPAC provide information on impact of assessments on condos vs. rentals and updates on assessment information from the Ministry. (Refer to minute item #61 contained in CFS 6-2003, dated March 26, 2003.)
- (ii) Provide further information on the end use of recycled products. What are the costs, revenues and grants received for this program? That the success of the Region's recycling program (one of the best) be included in the Region's annual report.) (Refer to minute item #135 contained in PW 6-2003, dated March 25, 2003.)
- (iii) Obtain legal advice on whether the Region is authorized to proceed as per the recommendations contained in Report CSD 53-2003 regarding Financial Support for Regional Staff Charged or Penalized. (Refer to minute item #89 contained in CFS 7-2003, dated April 9, 2003.)
- (iv) Provide a further report in conjunction with MPMP reporting that highlights where Niagara stands relative to other OMBI municipalities. (Refer to minute item 76 contained in CFS 7-2003, April 9, 2003.)

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The Council adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

Debbie Zimmerman  
Regional Chair

Gail Reilly  
Legislative Assistant

Thomas R. Hollick  
Regional Clerk