

## THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA

### PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

#### REPORT 3-2010

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Minutes of a meeting of the Public Health and Social Services Committee held in Committee Room 4, Regional Municipal Building, 2201 St. David's Road, Thorold, Ontario, on Tuesday, February 23, 2010 at 2:08 p.m.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Committee: Councillors Baty, Co-Chair; Casselman, Co-Chair; Partington, Regional Chair; Cordiner; Forster; Goulbourne; Greenwood; Henderson; Katzman; Lepp; Rigby; Timms.

Staff: Mr. Trojan, Chief Administrative Officer; Dr. Williams, Medical Officer of Health; Ms. Cousins, Director, Operational Support Services, Community Services; Mr. Bain, Regional Clerk; Ms. Reilly, Legislative Assistant.

Staff

Other: Community Services: Ms. Gartner, Manager, Children's Services; Ms. O'Hagan-Todd, Director, Children's Services; Mr. Todd, Manager, Social Assistance & Employment Opportunities; Mr. Ventresca, Director, Seniors Services; Ms. Watson, Director, Social Assistance & Employment Opportunities.

Public Health: Dr. Jaeger, Associate Medical Officer of Health; Ms. Jugley, Manager, Community Mental Health; Mr. Lorenzo, Manager, Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention; Ms. MacInnis, Health Promoter; Mr. McKay, Associate Director, Administration, E.M.S.; Ms. St. John, Director, Clinical Services; Mr. Van Valkenburg, Associate Director, EMS.; Ms. Wodchis, Director, Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention.

Corporate Services: Mr. Moffatt, Manager, Property Management.

**ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

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

Moved by Councillor Rigby  
Seconded by Councillor Cordiner

That Report PHD 08-2010 (CSD 27-2010), 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.

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

Moved by Councillor Forster  
Seconded by Councillor Henderson

That Report COM 09-2010, February 23, 2010 (CSD 26-2010, February 24, 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; and

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

Carried.

33. 1-2010 (JAC)

Moved by Councillor Henderson  
Seconded by Councillor Cordiner

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

**ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

34. Niagara's Contraband Tobacco Campaign  
**PHD 07-2010**

Moved by Councillor Rigby  
Seconded by Councillor Katzman

That Report PHD 07-2010, February 23, 2010, respecting Niagara's Contraband Tobacco Campaign, be received for information and ***approved as amended***;

***That the Regional Chair send letters to Senator Hugh Segal and the Minister of Health Promotion regarding the Contraband Tobacco issue and to schedule meetings with them on this matter;***

***That the Regional Chair request that the Contraband Tobacco issue be dealt with as a priority matter at "Niagara Week"; and***

***That this report be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM).***

Carried.

(Refer to Councillor Information Requests.)

35. Social Auditing Practices at the Provincial and Local Level  
**COM 10-2010**

Moved by Councillor Timms  
Seconded by Councillor Cordiner

That Report COM 10-2010, February 23, 2010, respecting Social Auditing Practices at the Provincial and Local Level, be received for information.

Carried.

36. Update on “Increasing Prosperity for Families Living in Poverty  
2009 Prosperity Projects  
**COM 12-2010**

Moved by Councillor Cordiner  
Seconded by Councillor Katzman

That Report COM 12-2010, February 23, 2010, respecting Update on “Increasing Prosperity for Families Living in Poverty”; 2009 Prosperity Projects, be received for information.

Carried.

37. Update on Recent Funding Announcement –  
Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities  
**COM 13-2010**

Moved by Councillor Cordiner  
Seconded by Councillor Katzman

That Report COM 13-2010, February 23, 2010, respecting Update on Recent Funding Announcement – Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities, be received for information.

Carried.

(Refer to Councillor Information Requests.)

38. Seniors Services Quality Improvement Report  
July 2009 to December 2009  
**COM 14-2010**

Moved by Councillor Casselman  
Seconded by Councillor Greenwood

That Report COM 14-2010, February 23, 2010, respecting Seniors Services Quality Improvement Report July 2009 to December 2009, be received for information.

Carried.

39. Closure of Capital Projects  
**CSD 03-2010**

Moved by Councillor Rigby  
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That Report CSD 03-2010, January 13, 2010, respecting Closure of Capital Projects, be received for information.

Carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

40. Moved by Councillor Katzman  
Seconded by Councillor Timms

That Communication PHSS 4-2010, Memorandum (dated February 11, 2010) from Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund Working Group to Co-Chairs and Members of the Public Health and Social Services Committee respecting Council Resolution – Haiti Earthquake Relief Efforts, be received and the following recommendations be approved:

- That the Niagara Region's \$50,000 from Reserve Funds be donated through Plan Haiti (and/or other major relief agencies operating in Jacmel), and in partnership with C.A.S.S., directing the funds to assist in the rebuild of the PAZAPA Centre for Handicapped Children and contribute to the infrastructure rebuilding of the surrounding neighbourhood in Jacmel, Haiti.
- That the Niagara Region invites others in the community, like the local school boards, local municipalities, community agencies and local businesses to match their efforts (e.g. local school boards to provide supplies such as text books, local businesses to provide other supplies, and community agencies to redirect their donations to this initiative).
- That the Niagara Region provide gift-in-kind services as the project gets underway (e.g. secondment of staff to the building site in Jacmel who can provide the expertise that will be required to rebuild the centre).

Carried.

**CLOSED SESSION**

41. Moved by Councillor Cordiner  
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That this Committee do now meet in Closed Session for purposes of receiving information of a confidential nature relating to an Oral Report regarding A Matter of Security of the Property of the Municipality – Niagara Ambulance Communication Service Contract and a Proposed Acquisition of Land by the Municipality – Lease Agreement with the District School Board of Niagara – Carlton Street Day Care – St. Catharines.

Carried.

42. Oral Report  
A Matter of Security of the Property of the Municipality  
Niagara Ambulance Communication Service Contract

Mr. McQueen, Operating Officer, P.H., provided an oral report on a Matter of Security of the Property of the Municipality – Niagara Ambulance Communication Service Contract.

Moved by Councillor Forster  
Seconded by Councillor Greenwood

That the oral report by Mr. McQueen regarding a Matter of Security of the Property of the Municipality – Niagara Ambulance Communication Service Contract, be received.

Carried.

Conflict of Interest

Councillor Katzman declared a pecuniary interest with respect to the Proposed Acquisition of Land by the Municipality – Lease Agreement with the District School Board of Niagara, Carlton Street Child Care – St. Catharines, as she is employed by the District School Board of Niagara, and she therefore vacated the Committee Room and took no part in the discussion of, or voting on, this matter.

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

Moved by Councillor Greenwood  
Seconded by Councillor Cordiner

That Confidential Report COM 11-2010, February 23, 2010 (CSD 31-2010, February 24, 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.

44. Moved by Councillor Goulbourne  
Seconded by Councillor Timms

That this Committee do now rise with report.

Carried.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

45. Paramedic Program – Niagara College

Councillor Cordiner advised that the family in Fort Erie, recently affected by a tragic accident, attended the Town of Fort Erie Council meeting on February 22<sup>nd</sup> and has set up a trust fund in support of the Paramedic Training Program at Niagara College.

46. Association of Local PUBLIC HEALTH Agencies (aPHa)

Councillor Casselman, Committee Co-Chair, advised that she and Dr. Williams, Medical Officer of Health, will be attending the aPHa Winter Symposium in Toronto.

**COUNCILLOR INFORMATION REQUESTS**

That staff:

- (i) Provide information on the gross and net cost of the Contraband Tobacco Campaign. (Timms) Refer to Report PHD 07-2010 and minute item 34.
- (ii) Provide a list detailing how much MTCU funding each organization is getting. (Casselman) Refer to report COM 13-2010 and minute item 37.

**NEXT MEETING**

The Committee adjourned at 4:20 p.m. to meet again on Tuesday, March 9, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. in Committee Room 4, Regional Headquarters.

Brian Baty  
Co-Chair

Gail Reilly  
Legislative Assistant

Judy Casselman  
Co-Chair

Kevin Bain  
Regional Clerk