The following are the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held at 7:24 p.m. in the Regional Council Chamber, 150 Frederick Street, Kitchener, Ontario, with the following members present: Chair K. Seiling, L. Armstrong, J. Brewer, T. Cowan, D. Craig, R. Deutschmann, T. Galloway, J. Haalboom, B. Halloran, R. Kelterborn, G. Lorentz, C. Millar, J. Mitchell, S. Strickland, J. Wideman, and C. Zehr.

CLOSED SESSION

MOVED by J. Wideman
SECONDED by T. Galloway

THAT a closed meeting of Regional Council be held on Wednesday, February 6, 2013 at 6:45 p.m. in the Waterloo County Room, in accordance with Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001, for the purposes of considering the following subject matters:

a) receiving of legal advice subject to solicitor client privilege related to interpretation of legislation
b) labour relations and personal matters about identifiable individuals
c) proposed or pending disposition of land in the City of Waterloo

CARRIED

MOVED by G. Lorentz
SECONDED by S. Strickland

THAT Council reconvene in Open Session.

CARRIED

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST UNDER THE MUNICIPAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT

K. Seiling declared a pecuniary interest with respect to Report E-13-022, Conestoga Parkway (Highway 7/8) LRT Overpass Design and item a) of the closed session related to Rapid Transit, due to two of his adult children who own residential properties within the proposed light rail transit corridor.

D. Craig declared a pecuniary interest with respect to Report E-13-022, Conestoga Parkway (Highway 7/8) LRT Overpass Design and item a) of the closed session related to Rapid Transit, due to his son owning property within the area of a proposed station on the rapid transit system.

R. Deutschmann declared an indirect pecuniary interest with respect to Item 11 of the Planning and Works Committee Summary of Recommendations, Report E-13-022, Conestoga Parkway (Highway 7/8) LRT Overpass Design and item a) of the closed session related to Rapid Transit, due to a pecuniary interest since he and his spouse are shareholders of corporations that have an interest in a property at 10 Duke Street West, Kitchener.
G. Lorentz declared a pecuniary interest with respect to the Closed Committee Minutes and Special Council minutes of January 29, 2013 as he has become aware of a conflict due to his employer being part owner of a property involved in the ROP appeal.

DELEGATIONS

Please see after Other Business.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

MOVED by T. Cowan
SECONDED by G. Lorentz

THAT the following Minutes be approved:

a) Closed Budget – January 16, 2013
b) Budget – January 16, 2013
c) Closed Council – January 16, 2013
f) Closed Committee – January 29, 2013
g) Special Council – January 29, 2013
h) Administration & Finance – January 29, 2013
i) Community Services – January 29, 2013

CARRIED

MOVED by G. Lorentz
SECONDED by J. Haalboom

THAT Council go into Committee of the Whole to consider reports.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning and Works

The Summary of Recommendations of the Planning and Works Committee was presented by Jim Wideman, Chair of the Committee. Item #11 was taken separately due to the pecuniary interest of R. Deutschmann. G. Lorentz requested a friendly amendment to Item #1 to reflect the location on Weber Street near the intersection of Wilhelm Street. This was agreed to by the mover and seconder. G. Lorentz also noted he had requested information on the criteria for the noise wall on Ira Needles Blvd and asked that this be provided at the next Planning and Works Committee meeting. C. Zehr expressed his support for recommendation #14, stating this is a worthwhile program.

MOVED by J. Wideman
SECONDED by C. Zehr

THAT the Summary of Recommendations of the Planning and Works Committee, dated January 29, 2013, Item 11, be adopted as follows:
11. THAT the Regional Municipality of Waterloo receive Report No. P-13-006, dated January 29, 2013 for information, and endorse the implementation of recommendations from the Heritage Impact Assessment for the King/Victoria Transit Hub, as summarized in this report.

CARRIED

MOVED by J. Wideman
SECONDED by C. Zehr

THAT the Summary of Recommendations of the Planning and Works Committee, dated January 29, 2013, Items 1 to 10 and 12 to 16, and 3 reports from closed session, Items 17 to 19, be adopted as follows:

1. THAT the Regional Municipality of Waterloo install pedestrian traffic control signals on Weber Street at or near the intersection of Wilhelm Street, during the reconstruction and widening of Weber Street (Regional Road 8), between College Street and Guelph Street, in the City of Kitchener. [E-13-016]

2. THAT the Region of Waterloo endorse a practice of enhancing accessibility at intersections and roundabouts in the Region of Waterloo as outlined in Report E-13-014, dated January 29, 2013.

3. THAT the Regional Municipality of Waterloo take no action on Report E-13-017, Proposed Removal of Heavy Truck Restriction on Bleams Road (Regional Road 56) Between Homer Watson Boulevard (Regional Road 28) and Fischer-Hallman Road (Regional Road 58), City of Kitchener.

4. THAT the Regional Municipality of Waterloo initiate an Environmental Assessment Study to improve pedestrian access to transit to the Hanson/Hayward Avenue Industrial and Alpine Village Areas, City of Kitchener, as described in Report No. P-13-009, dated January 29, 2013.


6. THAT The Regional Municipality of Waterloo direct and authorize the Regional Solicitor to take the following actions with respect to the expropriation of lands for the reconstruction of Bloomingdale Road between Kraft Drive and Bridge Street, in the City of Kitchener, in the Region of Waterloo as detailed in report CR-RS-13-009 dated January 29, 2013:

   1. Complete application(s) to the Council of the Regional Municipality of Waterloo, as may be required from time to time, for approval to expropriate land, which is required for the reconstruction of Bloomingdale Road and described as follows:

      **Fee Simple Partial Taking:**

      1. Lot 25 Small Lots N of Hornings Tract, Kitchener being Part 8 on 58R-17403; PIN 22302-0103 (66 Bloomingdale Road North, Kitchener);

      2. Lot 21 Small Lots N of Hornings Tract, Kitchener being Part 4 on 58R-17403; PIN
22302-0107 (52 Bloomingdale Road North, Kitchener);

3. Lot 18 Small Lots N of Hornings Tract, Kitchener being Part 1 on 58R-17403; PIN 22302-0110 (40 Bloomingdale Road North, Kitchener)

4. Lot 22 Small Lots N of Hornings Tract, Kitchener being Part 5 on 58R-17403; PIN 22302-0106 (54 Bloomingdale Road North, Kitchener);

5. Lot 19 Small Lots N of Hornings Tract, Kitchener being Part 2 on 58R-17403; PIN 22302-0109 (44 Bloomingdale Road North, Kitchener)

6. Lot 20 Small Lots N of Hornings Tract, Kitchener being Part 3 on 58R-17403; PIN 22302-0108 (48 Bloomingdale Road North, Kitchener);

7. Lot 31 Small Lots N of Hornings Tract; Part Lot 32 Small Lots N of Hornings Tract, Kitchener as in 657148 being Part 10 on 58R-17403; PIN 22302-0100 (88 Bloomingdale Road North, Kitchener);

8. Lot 23 Small Lots N of Hornings Tract, Kitchener being Part 6 on 58R-17403; PIN 22302-0105 (58 Bloomingdale Road North, Kitchener);

9. Part Lot 71, German Company Tract, Township of Waterloo; Woolwich as in 1268832 being Part 5 on 58R-17402; PIN 22710-0140 (155 Bloomingdale Road, Kitchener);

10. Part Lot 39, Small Lots N of Hornings Tract, Kitchener as in 1211424 being Part 3 on 58R-17402; PIN 22301-0004 (130 Bloomingdale Road North, Kitchener);

11. Part Lot 38 Small Lots N of Hornings Tract, Kitchener; Part Lot 39 Small Lots N of Hornings Tract, Kitchener as in 968521 being Part 2 on 58R-17402; PIN 22301-0005 (126 Bloomingdale Road North, Kitchener);

12. Part Lot 37 Small Lots N of Hornings Tract, Kitchener; Part Lot 38 Small Lots N of Hornings Tract, Kitchener as in 746418 being Part 1 on 58R-17402; PIN 22301-0006 (122 Bloomingdale Road North, Kitchener);

13. Part Lot 32 Small Lots N of Hornings Tract, Kitchener as in 1553512 being Part 11 on 17403; PIN 22302-0099 (92 Bloomingdale Road North, Kitchener);

14. Part Lot 39 Small Lots N of Hornings Tract, Kitchener as in 542388 being Part 4 on 58R-17402; PIN 22301-0003 (134 Bloomingdale Road North, Kitchener);

2. Serve notices of the above application(s) required by the Expropriations Act;

3. Forward to the Chief Inquiry Officer any requests for a hearing that may be received;

4. Attend, with appropriate Regional staff, at any hearing that may be scheduled;

5. Discontinue expropriation proceedings or any part thereof, in respect of the above described lands, or any part thereof, upon the registration on title of the required documentation to complete a transaction whereby the required interests in the lands are conveyed; and
6. Do all things necessary and proper to be done, and report thereon to Regional Council in due course.

7. THAT Council of the Regional Municipality of Waterloo approve the expropriation of lands for the purpose of reconstruction of Weber Street West between College Street and Guelph Street, in the City of Kitchener, in the Region of Waterloo as detailed in Report CR-RS-13-010 dated January 29, 2013, described as follows:

**Fee Simple Partial Taking:**

1. Part of Lot 8, Plan 373 being Parts 4 and 5 on 58R-17416, City of Kitchener, PIN 22332-0021 (LT) (306 Guelph Street, Kitchener);

2. Part of Lot 8, Plan 373 being Part 6 on 58R-17416, City of Kitchener, PIN 22325-0009 (LT) (307 Guelph Street, Kitchener);

3. Part of Lot 8 Plan 373 being Part 11 on 58R-17416, City of Kitchener, PIN 22326-0174 (LT) (26 Blucher Street, Kitchener);

4. Part of Lot 8, Plan 373 being Part 2 on 58R-17416, City of Kitchener, PIN 22332-0019 (LT) (340 Weber Street West, Kitchener);

5. Part Lot 8, Plan 373 being Part 9 on 58R-17416, City of Kitchener, PIN 22326-0176 (LT) (315 Weber Street West, Kitchener);

6. Part of Lot 8, Plan 373 being Part 8 on 58R-17416, City of Kitchener, PIN 22326-0177 (LT) (319 Weber Street West, Kitchener);

7. Part of Lot 8, Plan 373, being Part 3 on 58R-17416, City of Kitchener, PIN 22332-0020 (LT) (336 Weber Street West, Kitchener);

8. Part of Lot 8 Plan 373, being Part 7 on 58R-17416, City of Kitchener, PIN 22326-0167 (LT) (295 Guelph Street, Kitchener); and


**Fee Simple Full Taking:**

1. Lot 24, Plan 131, City of Kitchener, PIN 22326-0193 (LT) (269 Weber St W, Kitchener);

2. Part Lot 8, Plan 373, City of Kitchener, PIN 22331-0095 (LT) (296 Guelph Street, Kitchener);

3. Part Lot 8, Plan 373, City of Kitchener, PIN 22331-0097 (LT) (345 Weber Street West, Kitchener);

AND THAT staff be instructed to register a Plan of Expropriation for the property within three months of the granting of the approval to expropriate the property, as required by the *Expropriations Act*;
AND THAT the registered owners be served with a Notice of Expropriation and a Notice of Possession for the property after the registration of the Plan of Expropriation;

AND THAT if no agreement as to compensation is made with an owner, the statutory Offer of Compensation and payment be served upon the registered owners of the property in the amount of the market value of the interests in the land as estimated by the Region’s appraiser in accordance with the Expropriations Act;

AND FURTHER THAT the Regional Solicitor be authorized to discontinue expropriation proceedings or any part thereof, in respect of the above described lands, or any part thereof, upon the registration on title of the required documentation to complete the transaction.

8. THAT the Region of Waterloo implement a rainwater harvesting promotion campaign in 2013 as detailed in Report E-13-008.1.

9. THAT The Regional Municipality of Waterloo enter into a License Agreement with Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc. effective the 1st day of February 2013, for the purpose of the installation, maintenance and operation of radio repeater equipment on the Inverness Water Tower (the “Tower”), in the City of Cambridge, as per Report E-13-015, dated January 29, 2013, to the satisfaction of the Regional Solicitor and that the Commissioner of Transportation and Environmental Services be authorized to execute the same.

10. THAT Report No. P-13-005, dated January 29, 2013, be adopted as Regional Council’s formal response to Proposed Amendment 2 to the Provincial Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe;

THAT the Ontario Growth Secretariat be requested to use any revised figures on an interim basis only until the initiation in 2016 of the comprehensive review of the Provincial Growth Plan;

AND THAT the Province of Ontario assess the merits of better coordinating and potentially merging other related Provincial policy with the Growth Plan.

12. THAT Regional Council submit Report No. P-13-012, dated January 29, 2013, as its comments on the proposed wind turbine project in the County of Perth.

AND THAT this report be forwarded to the Conestogo Wind Power Project proponent and to the County of Perth.

13. THAT the Regional Municipality of Waterloo request the Province of Ontario establish a Task Force to expand on the current GO rail service mandate by examining the potential deployment of interregional rail services to link commuters with employment opportunities, colleges and universities in the major urban growth centres of Waterloo Region, Guelph and other communities in Southern Ontario, as described in Report No. P-12-008, dated January 29, 2013;

AND THAT the Regional Municipality of Waterloo formally request Metrolinx continue to plan and advance the additional rail passenger service to Waterloo Region identified in this report.
14. THAT the Regional Municipality of Waterloo take the following action regarding the Region’s Brownfields Financial Incentive Program, as described in Report No. P-13-004/F-13-007, dated January 29, 2013:

a) Approve a sustainable, long term funding model for the financing of the Regional portion of Tax Increment Grant approvals based on funding the grant from the incremental tax revenue following remediation and redevelopment;

b) Approve the allocation of $250,000 from the 2013 Regional Smart Growth Initiative Capital Budget to provide additional funding for the Phase Two Environmental Site Assessment Grant program;

c) Delegate authority for Phase Two Environmental Site Assessment grant approvals to the Chief Financial Officer and the Commissioner of Planning, Housing and Community Services, or their respective designates, jointly and;

d) Direct staff to continue reviewing the Brownfield Financial Incentive Program and report back in the latter part of 2013 with recommendations for program refinements that further align the program with Regional priorities, in consultation with the Area Municipalities.

15. THAT the Regional Municipality of Waterloo:

a) declare an easement interest in the lands described as Part Lot 102, German Company Tract, being Part 1, Reference Plan 58R-17685, part of PIN 22254-0193 (LT), in the Township of Woolwich surplus to the needs of the Region, as detailed in Report No. CR-RS-13-001/E-13-018 dated January 8, 2013, and provide the standard public notification as required by the Region’s property disposition by-law; and

b) approve, enter into an Agreement for, and execute all documentation related to, the conveyance of a permanent easement to Waterloo North Hydro Inc., for the sum of $1.00, for the installation and maintenance of hydro equipment over the lands described as Part Lot 102, German Company Tract, being Part 1, Reference Plan 58R-17685, part of PIN 22254-0193 (LT), in the Township of Woolwich as detailed in Report No. CR-RS-13-001/E-13-018 dated January 8, 2013, pursuant to the Region’s property disposition by-law and the satisfaction of the Regional Solicitor.

16. THAT the Regional Municipality of Waterloo approve the revised construction phasing for the widening of Ira Needles Boulevard from Highview Drive to Erb Street including the advancement of $5.8 million in funding from 2015 to 2014, all as outlined in report E-13-006.1.

17. THAT The Regional Municipality of Waterloo approve the costs settlement in regard to the expropriation proceeding of T.G. Hammond Limited and Graham Energy Limited v. The Regional Municipality of Waterloo, wherein the Region pays T.G. Hammond Limited and Graham Energy Limited the total sum of $979,355, plus tax if applicable.

18. THAT The Regional Municipality of Waterloo approve the costs settlement in regard to the expropriation proceeding of 1231 Shantz Station Road Inc. and Greenhorizons Group of Farms Limited v. The Regional Municipality of Waterloo, wherein the Region pays 1231 Shantz Station Road Inc. and Greenhorizons Group of Farms Limited the total sum of $247,873, inclusive of tax.
19. THAT The Regional Municipality of Waterloo approve the settlement with Anna Correia, operating as Press Box Sports Lounge, for the total amount of $324,353.70, inclusive of costs and HST, in relation to the expropriation of the Ms. Correia’s leasehold interest at 100 Victoria Street, Kitchener.

CARRIED

Administration and Finance

The Summary of Recommendation of the Administration and Finance Committee was presented by Tom Galloway, Chair of the Committee.

MOVED by T. Galloway
SECONDED by L. Armstrong

THAT the Summary of Recommendations of the Administration and Finance Committee dated January 29, 2013, Items 1 and 2, be adopted as follows:

1. THAT the Regional Municipality of Waterloo approve payment of the 2013 membership fees in the amount of $68,321.57 for the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and $10,824.63 including all applicable taxes for the Association of Municipalities of Ontario. [F-13-004]

2. THAT the Regional Municipality of Waterloo approve $37,025.69 in accounts receivable write-offs for the year ended December 31, 2012 as set out in Report F-13-005.

CARRIED

Community Services

The Summary of Recommendations of the Community Services Committee was presented by Jane Mitchell, Vice-Chair of the Committee.

MOVED by J. Mitchell
SECONDED by S. Strickland

THAT the Summary of Recommendations of the Community Services Committee dated January 29, 2013, Items 1 to 4, and 2 reports from closed session, Items 5 and 6, be adopted as follows:

1. WHEREAS municipal governments are the front-line providers of services and programs of community safety such as policing and emergency services as well as support services for offenders, sentenced to prison, when they return to their home communities;

AND WHEREAS new federal legislation, including the Safe Streets and Communities Act, is expected to substantially increase costs to public safety, enforcement and corrections at all orders of government;

AND WHEREAS in municipalities the legislation is expected to increase the demands on policing resources as well as demands for social, housing, employment and health services for offenders released from prisons and returning to their communities;
AND WHEREAS court delays due to mandatory minimum sentencing and other aspects of the new crime legislation will impact not only victims but also the number of accused on remand in Provincial prisons awaiting trial, where there is little to no access to rehabilitation programs and supports;

AND WHEREAS provinces may be faced with needing to cut other funds including funds for municipalities as a result of bearing the increased costs of incarceration in their facilities; and

AND WHEREAS evidence-based, comprehensive and integrated crime prevention, and safe alternatives to judicial and custodial options, such as restorative justice and alternative sentencing options (drug treatment and mental health courts, community service orders, fine option programs etc.) have proven not only to be effective in reducing crime but also effective in reducing the costs to police and other municipally delivered public safety services;

AND WHEREAS municipal governments recognize that they have a vital role in engaging in discussions on correctional issues that affect community safety both broadly and directly within their jurisdiction;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Regional Municipality of Waterloo submit for consideration to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) that they pass a resolution calling on the federal government to provide a rigorous cost-benefit analysis of the impact of increased and extended incarceration and other consequences of the recent crime legislation on community safety, with particular attention to impacts on municipalities as a result of costs in policing and of reintegration of offenders released from prisons into their home communities;

AND THAT the proposed FCM resolution urge the federal government to work with all orders of government to continue to strengthen and invest in strategic, successful and proven methods in crime prevention, victim assistance, effective alternatives to judicial and custodial options and support for the effective integration of offenders released from prisons back into our communities;

AND FURTHER THAT the Regional Municipality of Waterloo call on FCM to pass a resolution urging the federal government to respond to all the issues as stated in the above operative clauses. [CPC-13-001]

2. THAT the Regional Municipality of Waterloo approve the 2013 Social Service Grants as set out in Schedule A of F-13-008 dated January 29, 2013;

AND THAT the Regional Municipality of Waterloo approve a Private Homemakers Rate of $13.20 per hour effective January 1, 2013.

3. THAT the Regional Municipality of Waterloo approve submission of the Region of Waterloo’s 2013/14 Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative Investment Plan to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing;

4. THAT the Regional Municipality of Waterloo approve and submit the attached business case for additional Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative base funding of $1,175,000 from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, as outlined in report SS-13-006, dated January 29, 2013.

5. THAT the Regional Municipality of Waterloo, in concert with the County of Wellington, re-appoint the following persons to the Kissing Bridge Trailway Advisory Board for three-year terms ending December 31, 2015:

   a) Doug Martin (Lions Club of Elmira nominee);
   b) Bob Orth (Golden Triangle Snowmobile Club nominee – alternate);
   c) Al Murray (Conestoga-Winterbourne Optimist Club nominee);
   d) Art Woods (Lions Club of Elmira nominee – alternate);
   e) Nick Wetzel (Golden Triangle Snowmobile Club nominee);
   f) Jamie Bennett (Conestoga-Winterbourne Optimist Club nominee – alternate);
   g) Derek Kidnie (Linwood and District Lions Club nominee); and
   h) Glen Martin (Agricultural community representative), subject to his being formally nominated by the Waterloo Federation of Agriculture.

6. THAT the Regional Municipality of Waterloo appoint Mr. Glen Scheels and Ms. Jen Vasic as representatives of the general public to the Public Art Advisory Committee for a three year term commencing January 31, 2013 and expiring on December 31, 2015.

CARRIED

OTHER MATTERS UNDER COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

a) CR-RS-13-014/CR-FM-13-003, Sale of 14 Erb Street West, Waterloo (WRPS North Division)

MOVED by B. Halloran
SECONDED by S. Strickland

THAT the Regional Municipality of Waterloo approve, enter into an Agreement for, and execute all documentation related to the disposition of the lands and buildings described as Lots 2, 3 and 4, East Side of Albert Street and Part of Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 West Side of King Street North, Plan 491, designated as Part 1 on Reference Plan 58R-5290 being PIN 22375-0092(LT) City of Waterloo, Regional Municipality of Waterloo, being 14 Erb Street West in the City of Waterloo, to 1452101 Ontario Limited for the sum of $3,100,000.00, exclusive of all applicable taxes, conditional upon completion of the purchaser’s due diligence, subject to documentation satisfactory to the Regional Solicitor.

CARRIED

b) E-13-022, Conestoga Parkway (Highway 7/8) LRT Overpass Design

MOVED by J. Wideman
SECONDED by R. Kelterborn

THAT the Regional Municipality of Waterloo take the following actions regarding the agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario Represented by the Minister of Transportation for the Province of Ontario (the “MTO”) for design and construction of the Light Rail Transit (LRT) overpass within MTO owned lands under the Conestoga Parkway (Highway 7/8) between

Conflict: D. Craig R. Deutschmann K. Seiling

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Homer Watson Boulevard and Courtland Avenue (the “Overpass”) and pursuant to Report E-13-022, dated February 6, 2013:

1. authorize the Commissioner of Transportation and Environmental Services to enter into an agreement that is satisfactory to the Regional Solicitor with MTO for the design of the Overpass at a cost of up to $395,690.00 plus applicable taxes;

2. approve, in principle, the construction of the Overpass, by the MTO’s Contractor, for an estimated project cost of $8,256,742.00 plus applicable taxes, inclusive of all design, construction, construction impact and administration costs, and conditional upon approval by Council in its unfettered discretion of the final project cost and Overpass design; and

3. require staff to report back to Council upon completion of the detailed design work for the Overpass and the determination of the final project cost.

CARRIED

MOVED by L. Armstrong
SECONDED by G. Lorentz

THAT Committee of the Whole rise and Council resume.

CARRIED

MOVED by T. Cowan
SECONDED by C. Millar

THAT Council adopt the proceeding of the Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION

D. Craig introduced the notice of motion, stating the City of Cambridge took a similar approach and held a worthwhile meeting with local MPPs. He suggested this should happen annually but it is intended to have public discussion and start the dialogue. Chair Seiling stated if this is arranged it needs to be understood that the views may represent individual councillors, not necessarily the view of Regional Council.

MOVED by D. Craig
SECONDED by T. Cowan

THAT Council of the Regional Municipality of Waterloo request a February or March 2013 meeting of the four (4) area Members of Provincial Parliament (MPP’s) to discuss Provincial and Regional issues of mutual concern.

CARRIED
C. Zehr presented a notice of motion for the March 6, 2013 Regional Council meeting as follows:

TAKE NOTICE THAT I, Councillor Carl Zehr, intend to introduce the following motion at the Council Meeting on March 6, 2013:

WHEREAS the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation (OLG) has undertaking a process to increase the number of casinos in Ontario and has requested municipalities to formally express an interest in hosting a new casino, should they so desire; and,

WHEREAS OLG requires permission of a local municipality to allow a casino in a defined zone however, it appears OLG does not require the permission of a region/county where a two-tier local government exists; and,

WHEREAS the Region of Waterloo’s (Region) Medical Officer of Health has stated that problem gambling can lead to negative health outcomes on individuals and that financial and societal costs of problem gambling are high, all of which would significantly add to the financial burden of the Region;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in the event any local municipality within the Region of Waterloo (Region) expresses an intent to be considered for a new host community for a casino, concurrence be sought from the Region,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in order to address this matter, Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation (OLG) be requested to amend their regulations to allow region/county municipalities to have a voice in the decision process,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event a local municipality within the Region be considered by the OLG as a potential site for a casino, that the OLG consult with and obtain approval from the Region before proceeding to enter into a Municipality Contribution Agreement (MCA) with the chosen local municipality,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that should the OLG approve a casino within the Region, whether or not approval is given by the Region for such casino, OLG commit to including the Region as a party to the MCA with the intent of sharing the municipal hosting fees.

R. Deutschmann requested staff to provide a legal opinion as to whether or not the Region can properly pass this motion. There was discussion around this and some members supported the request to staff.

OTHER BUSINESS

C. Zehr advised the City of Kitchener passed a resolution that will be submitted to Regional Council concerning the emerging issue of pedestrian crossings and safety on Fairway Road in the vicinity of the newly opened bridge.

DELEGATIONS

a) Barry Green, Resident of Cambridge, appeared before Council regarding the bus fare increase and reduction of iXpress bus service. He stated the iExpress is a busy run and people will be left waiting. He was also concerned with charging for the easygo texting and
said people won’t use the service if it costs money. He stated fare increases are difficult to budget for, especially when people have limited resources. Chair Seiling thanked B. Green for his delegation and advised decisions were made at the Budget meeting. He noted there will be open houses for the transit fare increases and welcomed B. Green to provide his input at that time.

ENACTMENT OF BY-LAWS – (FIRST, SECOND & THIRD READINGS)

MOVED by J. Wideman
SECONDED by T. Cowan

a) THAT a By-law to Expropriate Certain Lands for the Reconstruction of Weber Street West between Wilhelm Street to Guelph Street, (Regional Road 8), in the City of Kitchener be read a first, second and third time, finally passed and numbered 13-003 signed by the Regional Chair and Regional Clerk and sealed with the Regional Seal.

b) THAT a By-law to Confirm the Actions of Council of January 29, 2013 be read a first, second and third time, finally passed and numbered 13-004 signed by the Regional Chair and Regional Clerk and sealed with the Regional Seal.

c) THAT a By-law to Confirm the Actions of Council of February 6, 2013 be read a first, second and third time, finally passed and numbered 13-005 signed by the Regional Chair and Regional Clerk and sealed with the Regional Seal.

CARRIED

ADJOURN

MOVED by J. Brewer
SECONDED by C. Millar

THAT the meeting adjourn at 7:44 p.m.

CARRIED

REGIONAL CHAIR, K. Seiling

REGIONAL CLERK, K. Fletcher