Regional Council Minutes

Wednesday, September 23, 2015

The following are the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held at 7:04 p.m. in the Regional Council Chamber, 150 Frederick Street, Kitchener, Ontario, with the following members present: Chair K. Seiling, L. Armstrong, E. Clarke, S. Foxton, T. Galloway, D. Jaworsky, H. Jowett, K. Kiefer, J. Mitchell, J. Nowak, K. Redman, S. Shantz and B. Vrbanovic.

Members Absent: D. Craig, G. Lorentz and S. Strickland

Closed Session

Moved by S. Foxton

Seconded by S. Shantz

That a closed meeting of Council be held on Wednesday, September 23, 2015 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) proposed or pending acquisition of property in the City of Waterloo and potential litigation related to a matter before an administrative tribunal

b) security of the property of the municipality

Carried

Moved by B. Vrbanovic

Seconded by J. Nowak

That Council reconvene in Open Session.

Carried

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest Under The “Municipal Conflict Of Interest Act”

E. Clarke declared a pecuniary of interest with respect to item 3 on the Community Services Committee Summary regarding Provincial Wage Enhancement Initiative due to her employment with the YWCA.
Chair Seiling displayed and circulated a plaque to recognize the Region’s partnership with Habitat for Humanity.

Chair Seiling congratulated Kris Fletcher on receiving her 30 year membership pin from the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO), Karen Wood on receiving her 20 year membership pin from AMCTO and Mike Murray for receiving his 15 year pin from the Canadian Association of Municipal Administrators (CAMA).

**Delegations**

a) Ken McDonald cancelled his delegation regarding Truck Traffic on New Dundee and Trussler Roads.

b) Liana Jupan cancelled her delegation regarding Request for Traffic Control Signal at Sims Estates Dr. and Fairway Rd. Intersection.

c) TES-WMS-15-11, Rural Waste Transfer Station Update (item 1 on the Planning and Works Committee Summary)

i. Frank Rattasid, 86 Auto and Metal Recyclers appeared before Council to address the issue of their recycling facility in Woolwich Township. They have proposed an alternate location for a transfer station and do not understand why the Township of Woolwich is pushing to keep the current location open when his firm has provided a viable alternative. There is no need for two locations that provide the same service. A question was asked what kind of waste would be taken in. F. Rattasid advised he has discussed it with staff and they could take any waste in the future.

ii. Woolwich Ward 1 Councillor Pat Merlihan appeared before Council to express his concerns. He addressed the delegation of F. Rattasid and stated there have only been preliminary discussions with the Township. He gave his presentation, a copy of which is appended to the original minutes, and encouraged collaboration and partnership between the Region and the Township and provide the opportunity to thrive. The transfer station is a service that is valued by the citizens. He expressed concern that community consultation has not been done and more time is required, along with the Region’s expertise. He requested that Regional staff work with Township staff on the request and evaluation of private sector proposals for the continuance of the service.

Chair Seiling noted the resolution does allow for the door to be left open. T. Galloway proposed the idea of area rating to keep the transfer station open at a level of service determined by the Township, similar to what is done for the GRT route into Elmira. This
would be a level of service that no other municipality in the Region would have. P. Merlihan stated they are asking that the Region create the opportunity that the service can go to a private operator. Chair Seiling stated there is no issue for Regional staff to meet with Township staff.

iii. Eric Schwindt appeared before Council, stating he is a rural resident in Woolwich Township and described his use of the Elmira transfer station. He questioned the cost of curbside pickup in rural areas. He stated the reduced hours can work, but a minimum of every Saturday should be included. He expressed concern that seven months has passed with no additional discussion. He requested staff be directed to work with Township staff to flush out proposals and keep the transfer station open.

T. Galloway asked E. Schwindt’s opinion of the idea of area rating. E. Schwindt stated he would be willing to consider area rating provided it is fair. T. Galloway noted the funding for the light rail transit is area rated and is not being paid for by the Townships.

T. Galloway brought forward item #1 from the Planning and Works Summary of Recommendations. He stated he supported the continuance of the four rural transfer stations for the last two years and is committed to find a solution for the Woolwich Township situation. He advised if more time is required to find the solution, the decision may need to be revisited.

S. Shantz thanked Committee for the modification to the motion to allow for proposals to come back from the Townships. She stated she voted in favour of the motion because it was a compromise. She is disappointed for her constituents as what was supposed to happen in the last seven months did not happen. She requested direction be given to Regional staff to work with Township staff to analyze and work with operators on a request for proposal process. She also requested that any proposals be given due consideration when they come back to Regional Council.

Council agreed that Regional staff be given direction to work with Woolwich Township to review this situation. It was noted the motion does allow for potential area rating as an option.

Moved by T. Galloway

Seconded by K. Kiefer

That the Summary of Recommendations of the Planning and Works Committee, dated September 15, 2015, Item 1, be adopted as follows:
1. That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo approve the closure of all four (4) rural transfer stations at the end of 2015.

   And that Regional Municipality of Waterloo review and consider operating alternatives brought forward by any of the Townships including private sector operations or continued Region operation funded by the Townships.

   Carried

Minutes Of Previous Meetings

Moved by H. Jowett
Seconded by D. Jaworsky

That the following Minutes be approved:

   a. Council – August 19, 2015
   b. Community Services – September 15, 2015
   c. Closed Committee – September 15, 2015
   d. Administration & Finance – September 15, 2015
   e. Planning & Works – September 15, 2015

   Carried

Communications

   a) Council Information Package for Friday, September 18, 2015 was received for information.

Moved by K. Redman
Seconded by S. Foxton

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

   Carried

Finance Reports

   a) COR-TRY-15-87, T2015-200 Wix Filters

1971674
Moved by T. Galloway

Seconded by D. Jaworsky

That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo accept the tender of Transaxle Parts Cambridge Inc. for the supply of Wix Filters in the estimated amount of $465,213.50 (estimated annual cost of $93,042.70) plus all applicable taxes for a five (5) year period effective October 1, 2015.

Carried


Moved by T. Galloway

Seconded by D. Jaworsky

That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo accept the tender of Xterra Construction Inc. for T2015-205 Doon Village Road Pressure Reducing Valve Relocation in the amount of $415,367.99 plus all applicable taxes.

Carried


Moved by T. Galloway

Seconded by D. Jaworsky

That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo accept the quote of Noll Drilling Inc. for Q2015-1115 Monitoring Well Installation Program – Detweiler Transformer Station (under prequalification PQ#2013-14) in the amount of $206,434.36 plus all applicable taxes.

Carried


Moved by T. Galloway

1971674
Seconded by D. Jaworsky

That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo accept the tender of Compass Minerals Canada Corp. for the supply of coarse highway salt in the estimated amount of $3,236,000.00 (estimated annual cost of $809,000.00) plus all applicable taxes for a four (4) year period effective September 30, 2015.

Carried

e) COR-TRY-15-91, T2015-209 Multi-Site Lighting Retrofit Phase 1

Moved by T. Galloway

Seconded by D. Jaworsky

That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo accept the tender of Conestogo Electric Inc., for the T2015-209 Multi-Site Lighting Retrofit Phase 1 in the amount of $859,100.00 plus all applicable taxes.

Carried

f) COR-TRY-15-92, T2015-194 Waterloo Regional Housing Site Grading Improvements

Moved by T. Galloway

Seconded by D. Jaworsky

That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo accept the tender of Hardscape Concrete & Interlock, for T2015-194 Waterloo Regional Housing Site Grading Improvements in the amount of $187,100.00 plus all applicable taxes.

Carried

g) COR-TRY-15-93, T2015-124 Preston Wastewater Treatment Plant Odour Control Upgrades

Moved by T. Galloway

Seconded by D. Jaworsky

That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo accept the tender of Newman Bros. Limited for T2015-124 Preston Wastewater Treatment Plant Odour Control Upgrades in the City of Cambridge, in the amount of $3,996,636.00 plus all applicable taxes;

And that the additional project cost of $1,010,000 be included in the 2016 Wastewater 1971674
Capital Program.

Carried

h) **COR-TRY-15-94**, T2015-204 Landscape Planting at Various Locations – Township of Woolwich, City of Kitchener, City of Waterloo and the City of Cambridge

Moved by T. Galloway

Seconded by D. Jaworsky

That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo accept the tender of Euro Landscape Construction & Grounds Inc. for T2015-204 Landscape Planting at Various Locations – Township of Woolwich, City of Kitchener, City of Waterloo and the City of Cambridge in the amount of $516,220.72 plus all applicable taxes.

Carried

i) **COR-TRY-15-95**, Fountain Street Bridge Repairs, City of Cambridge was received for information.

**Committee Reports**

Community Services

The Summary of Recommendations of the Community Services Committee was presented by Sue Foxton, Vice-Chair of the Committee. Item #3 was voted on separately due to the pecuniary interest.

Moved by S. Foxton

Seconded by J. Mitchell

That the Summary of Recommendations of the Community Services Committee dated September 15, 2015, Items 1 to 2, be adopted as follows:

1. That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo approve the 2015-16 Ontario Works Service Plan;

   And that the approved draft be forwarded to the Ministry of Community and Social Services for approval as outlined in report CSD-EIS-15-11, dated September 15, 2015.

2. That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo approve the revised Terms of Reference for the Public Art Advisory Committee, as described in Report No. PDL-CUL-15-14, dated September 15, 2015.

1971674
Carried

Moved by S. Foxton

Seconded by J. Mitchell

That the Summary of Recommendations of the Community Services Committee dated September 15, 2015, Item 3, be adopted as follows:

3. That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo endorse the recommendations for changes to the Provincial Wage Enhancement Initiative as described in CSD-CHS-15-13 dated September 15, 2015;
   And that a copy of the report be forwarded to the Minister of Education, the Early Years Division of the Ministry of Education; the Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO) and the Ontario Municipal Social Services Association (OMSSA).
   Carried

Administration and Finance

The Summary of Recommendation of the Administration and Finance Committee was presented by Karen Redman, Vice-Chair of the Committee.

Moved by K. Redman

Seconded by L. Armstrong

That the Summary of Recommendations of the Administration and Finance Committee dated September 15, 2015, Items 1 to 6, be adopted as follows:

1. That the Region of Waterloo donate $25,000 to the Mennonite Central Committee refugee support program to facilitate refugee work by MCC and to assist refugee work undertaken by residents of Waterloo Region,
   And That the Federal Government be encouraged to facilitate refugee relief efforts,
   And Further That the broader community be encouraged to support refugee relief efforts through whatever agency or means they choose. [RC-15-03]

2. That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo take the following actions with respect to the Cornerstone Standards Council Responsible Aggregate Standard, Version 3.0, as described in Report No. PDL-CPL-15-49, dated September 15, 2015:
a) Encourage local aggregate producers to pursue certification under the Responsible Aggregate Standard where feasible and appropriate; and

b) Direct staff to monitor the aggregate industry and identify opportunities consistent with the Region’s Green Procurement Guide and Sustainability Strategy where aggregate products certified as socially and environmentally responsible by the Cornerstone Standards Council could be appropriately incorporated into Regional tendering guidelines and practices if and when a sufficient number of local aggregate producers achieve certification to ensure an adequate and cost-competitive supply.

3. That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo hold a Public Input Meeting on Wednesday September 30, 2015 at 7:00 pm in the Regional Council chambers, for the purpose of hearing public feedback regarding the KPMG Service Review recommendations, as set out in Report CAO-IAU-15-06.

4. That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo support the resolution of Haldimand County Council, attached as Appendix A to report COR-TRY-15-86, requesting the Minister of Finance and Minister of Municipal Affairs to review the vacancy rebate legislation from a public policy perspective to ensure that businesses are not eligible for a reduced property tax burden if the claimed vacancy is a result of a labour disruption;

And that this resolution be circulated to the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs, local MPPs, the Area Municipalities and the Municipal Finance Officers’ Association (MFOA), as outlined in report COR-TRY-15-86, dated September 15, 2015.

5. That the Regional Chair and Clerk be authorized to cancel all existing contracts and enter into a master licence agreement with Community CarShare Co-operative Inc., o/a Community CarShare, subject to the satisfaction of the Regional Solicitor as outlined in report COR-FFM-15-09 dated September 15, 2015;

And That the Commissioner of Corporate Services be authorized to approve any future amendments to add or remove sites from the agreement as outlined in report COR-FFM-15-09 dated September 15, 2015;

And Further That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo charge a nominal fee of One Dollar ($1.00) per year to Community CarShare Co-operative Inc. o/a Community CarShare for all parking spaces that form part of the Master Licence Agreement as outlined in report COR-FFM-15-09 dated September 15, 2015.
6. That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo approve a pre-budget expenditure in the estimated amount of $6,127,000 for the purchase of 56 vehicles and equipment to replace those listed in Appendix A of report COR-FFM-15-10 dated September 15, 2015, and which are scheduled for replacement in 2016, with funding from the appropriate vehicle/equipment reserves.

Carried

Planning and Works

The Summary of Recommendations of the Planning and Works Committee was presented by Tom Galloway, Chair of the Committee. Item #1 was dealt with under delegations. J. Mitchell requested that Item #2 be taken separately. An additional item was brought forward from the closed Council session.

J. Mitchell requested a deferral of item #2 for the environmental assessment process to address the issues of transit and the walkthrough. B. Vrbanovic advised he spoke to residents and business owners in the area and heard compelling reasons why this location shouldn’t move forward, noting the transit issues are being pursued as a separate matter. He suggested taking this option off the table and focus on others that are more viable. The residents who came last week believed this was the direction and that the rest of the work will be covered off in part 2. T. Galloway supported this specific recommendation as this particular walkway has been a deterrent for the bus service and can be reviewed at a later date, once the bus service is in place.

Moved by J. Mitchell

Seconded by E. Clarke

That the Summary of Recommendations of the Planning and Works Committee, dated September 15, 2015, Item 2 be deferred for the environmental assessment.

Motion Lost

Moved by T. Galloway

Seconded by K. Kiefer

That the Summary of Recommendations of the Planning and Works Committee, dated September 15, 2015, Item 2, be adopted as follows:
2. That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo take no action on the pedestrian walkway proposed for Alpine Court in Kitchener.

   And direct staff to continue to look at alternatives for pedestrian access and transit to the Hanson/Hayward Industrial Area.

   Carried

   Moved by T. Galloway

   Seconded by K. Kiefer

   That the Summary of Recommendations of the Planning and Works Committee, dated September 15, 2015, Items 3 to 19 and 1 item from Council Closed session, Item 20, be adopted as follows:

   3. That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo amend the Traffic and Parking By-law 06-072, as amended, to remove from Schedule 16, Southbound Left-turn, Through Lane Designation on Westmount Road (Regional Road 50) at Glasgow Street; in the City of Kitchener, as outlined in Report TES-TRP-15-19, dated September 15, 2015.

   And that an additional review for the need of traffic control signals be conducted at Union Street and Westmount Road in 2016.

   4. That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo approve the expropriation of lands for the purpose of construction of road improvements to Manitou Drive (Regional Road 69), in the City of Kitchener, in the Region of Waterloo as detailed in Report PDL-LEG-15-17 dated September 15, 2015 described as follows:

      **Fee Simple Partial Taking:**

      Part Lot 1, Registrar's Compiled Plan 1521, being Part 1 on 58R-18262, being part of PIN 22731-0020 (LT), in the City of Kitchener (262 Manitou Drive, Kitchener)

      And that staff be instructed to register a Plan of Expropriation for the property, or such lesser portions of any of the said properties as may be determined through the design process, 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, or if otherwise deemed expedient by the Commissioner or Transportation and Environmental Services and the Regional Solicitor.

5. That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo amend Traffic and Parking By-law 06-072, as amended upon completion of construction to accommodate the road improvements, to:
   a) Add to Schedule 16, Lane Designation:
      a. Manitou Drive (Regional Road 69) southbound, through and through/right turn movements at Bleams Road, (Regional Road 56)
      b. Manitou Drive (Regional Road 69) northbound, through/left turn and through movements at Bleams Road (Regional Road 56)
      c. Bleams Road (Regional Road 56) eastbound, left turn and left turn/right turn movements at Manitou Drive (Regional Road 69)
   b) Add to Schedule 20, Centre Lane: Two-Way Left-Turns on Manitou Drive (Regional Road 69) from 100 m south of Fairway Road (Regional Road 53) to 740 m south of Fairway Road
   c) Add to Schedule 24, Reserved Lanes for Bicycles on Both Sides of Manitou Drive (Regional Road 69) from Fairway Road (Regional Road 53) to Bleams Road (Regional Road 56) [TES-DCS-15-24]

6. That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo amend Traffic and Parking By-law 06-072, as amended, to:
   a) Remove from Schedule 16, Southbound Right-turn Lane Designation on Hespeler Road (Regional Road 24) at Dunbar Road;
   b) Remove from Schedule 16, Northbound Left-turn, Right-turn on Hespeler Road (Regional Road 24) at Pinebush Road/Eagle Street (Regional Road 39);
   c) Add to Schedule 16, Northbound Left-turn, Left-turn, Right-turn on Hespeler
1. That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo:

a) declare an easement interest in the lands described as Part Lot 230, Plan 716, part of PIN 03861-0119 and Part Lot 241, Plan 716, part of PINs 03774-0350 and 03774-0351, as shown as Parts 1, 2 and 3, on attached draft Reference Plan, in the City of Cambridge surplus to the needs of the Region, as detailed in Report No. PDL-LEG-15-63 dated September 15, 2015, 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 Cambridge and North Dumfries Hydro Inc., for the sum of $1.00, for the installation and maintenance of hydro equipment on, over and under the lands described as Part Lot 230, Plan 716, part of PIN 03861-0119 and Part Lot 241, Plan 716, part of PINs 03774-0350 and 03774-0351, as shown as Parts 1, 2 and 3, on attached draft Reference Plan, in the City of Cambridge as detailed in Report No. PDL-LEG-15-63 dated September 15, 2015 pursuant to the Region’s property disposition by-law and the satisfaction of the Regional Solicitor.


9. That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo, in concert with the Corporation of the County of Wellington, take the following actions with respect to the Kissing Road (Regional Road 24) at Pinebush Road/Eagle Street (Regional Road 39);

d) Add to Schedule 16, Northbound Right-turn on Hespeler Road (Regional Road 24) at Munch Avenue/Isherwood Avenue;

e) Add to Schedule 24, Reserved Bus Lane, Southbound Hespeler Road (Regional Road 24) from Coronation Boulevard/Dundas Street (Regional Road 8) to 20 Metres North of Coronation Boulevard/Dundas Street (Regional Road 8);

f) Add to Schedule 24, Reserved Bus Lane, Southbound Water Street (Regional Road 24) from Coronation Boulevard/Dundas Street (Regional Road 8) to 25 Metres South of Coronation Boulevard/Dundas Street (Regional Road 8);

in the City of Cambridge, as outlined in Report TES-RTS-15-09, dated September 15, 2015.
Bridge Trailway, as described in Report No. PDL-CPL-15-44, dated September 15, 2015:

a) Amend sub-section 2.1(c) of the Terms of Reference to delete the reference to the Village of Millbank Association, as requested by this group, and add two representatives of the Guelph Trail Club, one for each segment of the Trailway stewarded by the Guelph Trail Club, and make other editorial amendments as shown in Attachment 1; and

b) Authorize the Commissioner of Planning, Development, and Legislative Services to execute agreements to the satisfaction of the Regional Solicitor with the following Kissing Bridge Trailway Steward Groups to outline the roles and responsibilities of each Trailway Steward Group for its respective segment of the Kissing Bridge Trailway, as well as role and responsibilities of the Regional Municipality of Waterloo and the Corporation County of Wellington:

- Guelph Trail Club,
- The Lions Club of Elmira
- Linwood & District Lions Club,
- Golden Triangle Snowmobile Association.

10. That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo Controlled Access By-law #58-87 be amended to include a permanent emergency access on the west side of Regional Road #58 (Fischer-Hallman Road) approximately 240 metres north of the Seabrook Drive/Fischer-Hallman Road roundabout, in the City of Kitchener as described in Report No. PDL-CPL-15-46, dated September 15, 2015.

11. That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo endorse Report TES-15-04 as the Region’s submission to the “Moving Ontario Forward – Outside the GTHA” consultation process.

12. That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo enter into a Consulting Services Agreement with MTE Consultants Inc. (MTE) to provide engineering services for detailed design and services during construction for the Waterloo Landfill Leachate Forcemain in the City of Kitchener, at an upset fee limit of $403,793.00 plus applicable taxes. [TES-DCS-15-23]

13. That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo enter into an agreement and operating protocol with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario (by its Ministry of Transportation) to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Transportation and Environmental Services, and the Regional Solicitor to allow for the use of the bus bypass shoulders by Grand River Transit on Highway 401 between Highway 8
14. That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo endorse in principle the findings of the “Feasibility Study and Business Case of Constructing the Missing Link” as described in report TES-TRS-15-15, dated September 15, 2015;

And that the Regional Municipality of Waterloo continue to encourage the provincial and Federal governments to take all necessary steps as quickly as possible to implement two-way GO train service to Kitchener (especially morning inbound and afternoon outbound trips) and to initiate GO train service between Milton and Cambridge”.

15. That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo authorize the Manager, Procurement to enter into negotiations with Econolite Canada Incorporated for the supply of traffic signal controllers and related control equipment at an annual cost not to exceed $400,000 as outlined in report TES-TRP-15-16.

16. That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo amend the Traffic and Parking By-law 06-072, as amended, to remove from Schedule 16, Southbound Left-turn, Through Lane Designation on Westmount Road (Regional Road 50) at Glasgow Street; in the City of Kitchener, as outlined in Report TES-TRP-15-19, dated September 15, 2015.

17. That The Regional Municipality of Waterloo enter into a License Agreement with Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro Inc. effective the 1st day of October 2015 to the satisfaction of the Regional Solicitor, for the purpose of the installation, maintenance, and operation of radio repeater equipment on the Sportsworld Tower (the “Tower”), in the City of Kitchener, as per Report TES-WAS-15-26, dated September 15, 2015, and the Commissioner of Transportation and Environmental Services be authorized to execute the same.


19. That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo take the following actions with respect to the Greenlands Network Implementation Guideline, as described in Report PDL-CPL-15-48, dated September 15, 2015:

   a) Direct staff to circulate a draft of the Greenlands Network Implementation Guideline to the Area Municipalities, Grand River Conservation Authority, Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, and local consulting firms for a period of at least sixty days for final review and comment; and
b) Direct staff to provide public notification as required by Regional Official Plan policies 10.B.11 through 10.B.13 prior to consideration of the Greenlands Network Implementation Guideline by the Planning and Works Committee at a future date.

20. That The Regional Municipality of Waterloo approve, enter into an Agreement for, and execute all documentation pursuant to Sections 24 and 30 of the Expropriations Act in connection with the acquisition and partial settlement of compensation in connection with a fee simple interest in land required for the Rapid Transit Project – Stage 1 at the property municipally known as 139 Northfield Drive West, Waterloo being Part Lot 11, German Company Tract, designated as Parts 1, 2 and 3, Plan 58R18627, Part of PIN 22280-0326 from 2269366 Ontario Limited for consideration totaling a maximum of $150,336.38 plus associated costs, with all documentation to the satisfaction of the Regional Solicitor.

Carried

Regional Chair

a) RC-15-04, Appointments

Chair Seiling advised there are still a few outstanding positions to be filled. If Council agrees, the Chair will make those appointments. Council agreed to this approach.

E. Clarke stated she will also sit on the Kitchener Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrades.

Moved by K. Redman

Seconded by J. Mitchell

That Councillor Clarke be appointed to represent the Region on the Grand River Conservation Authority and

Be appointed to the Heritage Planning Committee and the Source Water Protection Liaison Committee, and

Be appointed to the steering committees for the Regional Transportation Master Plan, Kitchener Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrades and the Wastewater Treatment Master Plan.

Carried
Regional Clerk

a) PDL-CAS-15-09, Appointments to Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation

Moved by L. Armstrong

Seconded by T. Galloway

That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo ratify the following appointments to the Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation (WRHF): Brian Dietrich, North-Waterloo Branch, Architectural Conservancy of Ontario and Julia Hendry, Wilfrid Laurier University for a term to expire at the annual general meeting in June 2017.

Carried

Other Matters Under Committee Of The Whole

Moved by K. Redman

Seconded by B. Vrbanovic

That Committee of the Whole rise and Council resume.

Carried

Moved by K. Kiefer

Seconded by S. Foxton

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

Carried

Other Business

H. Jowett requested that the delegated planning authority for subdivision approvals be granted to Cambridge and Waterloo, similar to what is done for Kitchener. Staff is in the process of preparing a report as this was identified in the service review report. A request was made that the Townships also be included and this will be reviewed as part of the report.
J. Nowak stated the 40th anniversary of the Wellesley Apple Butter and Cheese Festival is on Saturday, September 26, 2015 and he invited all to attend.

**Enactment of By-Laws – (First, Second & Third Readings)**

Moved by D. Jaworsky

Seconded by K. Kiefer

a) That a By-law to Amend By-law 15-001 to Provide for an Acting Chair when the Chair is Absent from the Municipality be read a first, second and third time, finally passed and numbered 15-048 signed by the Regional Chair and Regional Clerk and sealed with the Regional Seal.

b) That a By-law to Expropriate Lands for the Construction of Road Improvements to Manitou Drive (Regional Road 69) (Homer Watson Boulevard to Bleams Road), in the City of Kitchener be read a first, second and third time, finally passed and numbered 15-049 signed by the Regional Chair and Regional Clerk and sealed with the Regional Seal.

c) That a By-law to Amend By-law 06-072, as Amended, Being the Region’s Traffic and Parking By-law (Hespeler Road (Regional Road 24), Manitou Drive (Regional Road 69) and Westmount Road (Regional Road 50)) be read a first, second and third time, finally passed and numbered 15-050 signed by the Regional Chair and Regional Clerk and sealed with the Regional Seal.

d) That a By-law to Amend By-law Number 58-87, as Amended, Being a By-law to Designate and Regulate Controlled-Access Roads (Regional Road #58, Fischer-Hallman Road, City of Kitchener) be read a first, second and third time, finally passed and numbered 15-051 signed by the Regional Chair and Regional Clerk and sealed with the Regional Seal.

e) That a By-law to Confirm the Actions of Council of September 15, 2015 be read a first, second and third time, finally passed and numbered 15-052 signed by the Regional Chair and Regional Clerk and sealed with the Regional Seal.

Carried
Adjourn

Moved by K. Kiefer
Seconded by L. Armstrong
That the meeting adjourn at 7:54 p.m.
    Carried

Regional Chair, K. Seiling

Regional Clerk, K. Fletcher
Region of Waterloo  
Delegation - Wed Sept 23, 2015  
Waste Transfer Station

Chair Ken Seiling, Regional Councillors, Mayors and Staff,

We all know that the Region and its Area Municipalities are known for collaboration, and working together to find solutions to address community issues. I come before you tonight in the spirit of collaboration and partnership. In great partnerships like ours, our combined and collected resources provide citizens and enterprise with services, assistance and the opportunity to thrive. We have a good thing going here. We also have a service that our citizens value, and they have challenged us to come up with a way of keeping the service.

I've taken up much of your time as of late talking about Woolwich Township's desire to continue to offer transfer station services to our residents. I and my fellow Council members inherited this issue and picked up the torch to carry on because our citizens continue to ask us to.

I believe that Regional Council has tried to listen to our request, because of the motion tabled and voted on last week that left the door open for future possibilities. However, we are very concerned that now essentially the problem has been put back on us to solve for ourselves.

Our issue now, is that we are not in the waste management field, nor can we be according to the Municipal Act. We have zero expertise in how to operate a service like this nor do we have the parameters as to what would be agreeable to the Region to grant a private service in our Township. As you are aware, we are mandated to rely on the Region for our waste management. If the Region is genuine in leaving the door open for exploring and entertaining a proposal, we will need you at the table with us. We need you as our partner to collaboratively and creatively work for a new model that works for Woolwich Township and the Region.

There are still so many questions that have been left unanswered for Regional Council and the Township after seven months of determining whether or not there was a legitimate business case. This past year we would have made this a priority work project and engaged the business community ourselves. The Region conveyed that they would take on that role, as our partner. Here we are at the end of September, three months to closure, and we feel like we are starting from zero.

Your staff report, for the most part confirmed what we already know. There are businesses interested in continuing a service in Elmira. We need time, your expertise and most importantly the desire to explore this opportunity. The Region has made it clear that all of the transfer stations need to close by the end of the year. We understand that you feel that makes fiscal sense. What we respectively ask you to commit to is for your senior waste management staff to work with our staff on the request and evaluation of private sector proposals. Let's work together and complete what Regional Council directed staff to come back with seven months ago. We believe that's fair and appropriate.

Fellow council members Councillor Hahn and Councillor Shantz along with Mayor Shantz join me tonight in asking for further consideration on the Woolwich Transfer Station. We are also here tonight to tell you that we value our partnership, and want you at the table with us to explore and collaborate on what might be possible.

Thank you for your time.

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