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The Regional Municipality of Durham

MINUTES

WORKS COMMITTEE

Wednesday, October 6, 2021

A regular meeting of the Works Committee was held on Wednesday, October 6, 2021 in Council Chambers, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, Ontario at 9:30 AM. Electronic participation was offered for this meeting.

1. Roll Call

Present: Councillor Mitchell, Chair
Councillor Marimpietri, Vice-Chair
Councillor Barton
Councillor Crawford
Councillor McLean
Councillor John Neal
Councillor Smith
Regional Chair Henry

Also
Present: Councillor Grant
Councillor Highet

Absent: None

Staff
Present: E. Baxter-Trahair, Chief Administrative Officer
G. Anello, Director of Waste Management
J. Demanuele, Director of Business Services, Works Department
J. Hunt, Regional Solicitor/Director of Legal Services, Corporate Services – Legal Services
R. Jagannathan, Director of Transportation and Field Services
J. Paquette, Manager (Works), Corporate Communications
J. Presta, Director of Environmental Services
M. Simpson, Director, Risk Management, Economic Studies and Procurement
S. Siopis, Commissioner of Works
M. White, Systems Support Specialist, Corporate Services – IT
N. Prasad, Assistant Secretary to Council, Corporate Services – Legislative Services
S. Glover, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Councillor McLean, Seconded by Councillor John Neal,
(90) That the minutes of the regular Works Committee meeting held on
Wednesday, September 8, 2021, be adopted.

CARRIED

4. Statutory Public Meetings

There were no statutory public meetings.

5. Delegations

There were no delegations to be heard.

6. Presentations

There were no presentations.

7. Waste

7.1 Correspondence

There were no items of communication considered.

7.2 Reports

There were no Waste Reports considered.

8. Works

8.1 Correspondence

There were no items of communication considered.

8.2 Reports

**A) Amendment to the Uniform Regional Traffic Policy to Permit 40km/h Posted
Speed Limits on Regional Roads (2021-W-33)**

Report #2021-W-33 from S. Siopis, Commissioner of Works, was received.

Moved by Councillor Marimpietri, Seconded by Councillor Barton,
(91) That we recommend to Council:

That the Uniform Regional Traffic Policy (URTP) be updated to permit posted speed limits of 40km/h on Regional Roads where appropriate.

CARRIED

B) Amendments to Regional Roads Consolidation By-Law Number 22-2018
(2021-W-34)

Report #2021-W-34 from S. Siopis, Commissioner of Works, was received.

Moved by Councillor Marimpietri, Seconded by Councillor Barton,
(92) That we recommend to Council:

That Corporate Services – Legal Services be directed to prepare an amending by-law to amend By-Law Number 22-2018, generally in the form included as Attachment #1 to Report #2021-W-34 of the Commissioner of Works, for submission to Regional Council for passage.

CARRIED

C) Participation in the National Sciences and Engineering Research Council, Industrial Research Chair in Source Water Quality Monitoring and Advanced/Emerging Technologies for Drinking Water at the University of Toronto (2021-W-35)

Report #2021-W-35 from S. Siopis, Commissioner of Works, was received.

Moved by Councillor Marimpietri, Seconded by Councillor Barton,
(93) That we recommend to Council:

A) That the Regional Municipality of Durham continue participation as a municipal partner of the National Sciences and Engineering Research Council, Industrial Research Chair, in Source Water Quality Monitoring and Advanced/Emerging Technologies at the University of Toronto for five years (2022 – 2026) at a cost of \$50,000 annually to be financed from the annual Water Supply Business Plans and Budget; and

B) That Regional Chair and Clerk be authorized to execute the partnership agreement.

CARRIED

D) Proposed Study of the Current Policy/Practice for Streetlighting on Regional Roads (2021-W-36)

Report #2021-W-36 from S. Siopis, Commissioner of Works, was received.

In response to a question from the Committee regarding what the intent is for the information included in Report #2021-W-36 of the Commissioner of Works,

staff advised that the intent is for the information to be circulated to each area municipality for review and comment.

Moved by Councillor Marimpietri, Seconded by Councillor Barton,
(94) That we recommend to Council:

- A) That the Draft Terms of Reference outlined in Report #2021-W-36 of the Commissioner of Works for a Consultant Study of the Current Policy/Practice with respect to Streetlighting on Regional Roads, be circulated to the Durham Local Area Municipal Councils for endorsement no later than December 10, 2021; and
- B) That the Current Policy/Practice with respect to Streetlighting on Regional Roads (Attachment #1 to Report #2021-W-36) continue to prevail until the proposed Consultant Study is completed and any changes on a consensus basis are approved and implemented.

CARRIED

9. Advisory Committee Resolutions

There were no advisory committee resolutions to be considered.

10. Confidential Matters

There were no confidential matters to be considered.

11. Other Business

11.1 Speeding on Simcoe Street between Coates Road and Raglan Road in the City of Oshawa

Councillor John Neal advised that he had recently connected with Steven Kemp, Manager, Traffic Engineering and Operations, regarding concerns raised by a resident with respect to speeding on the Simcoe Street corridor between Coates Road and Raglan Road in the City of Oshawa and questioned whether he had followed up with the resident. S. Siopis advised that she would follow-up with S. Kemp and have him follow up with Councillor John Neal directly.

Regional Chair Henry suggested that the Works Department, alongside Corporate Communications and the Durham Regional Police Service (DRPS), release messaging through various social media channels regarding issues such as speeding throughout all areas of Durham Region, as well as messaging to increase awareness of the harvest season which results in more farm equipment being present on the roads. He suggested a possible quarterly campaign and an enforcement period to ensure residents are remaining safe and aware. S. Siopis advised that there are similar campaigns

currently running, but that she will follow-up with Corporate Communications and DRPS to look at opportunities for an even more aggressive campaign.

11.2 Columbus Road in the City of Oshawa Part 2 Plan

Councillor John Neal asked about regional roads related to the Columbus Part II proposed plan of subdivision in the City of Oshawa. S. Siopis advised that she will follow-up with the Planning Department.

11.3 Vision Zero Update

Councillor Crawford provided a brief update regarding Vision Zero. She advised that the month of August was the highest for Red Light Camera (RLC) charges, and that Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) charges have decreased since the program started in September 2020.

Councillor Crawford highlighted the following intersections with the highest number of charges for RLC since the program started:

- Westney Road and Delaney Drive in the Town of Ajax – 694 charges
- Simcoe Street and Conlin Road in the City of Oshawa – 486 charges
- Ritson Road and Bond Street in the City of Oshawa – 303 charges

Councillor Crawford highlighted the following highest locations for ASE violations since the program started:

- Harmony Road and Adelaide Avenue in the City of Oshawa – 5,643 charges
- King Street East, East of Townline Road in Courtice – 5,500 charges
- Simcoe Street near Camp Samac in the City of Oshawa – 4,829 charges

In response to a question from Councillor Grant regarding RLC and ASE statistics for the Township of Brock, Councillor Crawford advised that she would collect that information and provide it to Councillor Grant directly. She also advised that the Durham Vision Zero team would be able to present to any local municipalities that would be interested.

12. Date of Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled Works Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 3, 2021 at 9:30 AM in Council Chambers, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby.

13. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor John Neal, Seconded by Councillor Smith,

(95) That the meeting be adjourned.
CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:53 AM

Respectfully submitted,

D. Mitchell, Chair

S. Glover, Committee Clerk