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The Regional Municipality of Durham

MINUTES

WORKS COMMITTEE

Wednesday, March 8, 2023

A regular meeting of the Works Committee was held on Wednesday, March 8, 2023 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 Barton, Chair
Councillor Marimpietri, Vice-Chair
Councillor Cook*
Councillor Crawford
Councillor Mulcahy
Councillor Nicholson*
Councillor Yamada*
Regional Chair Henry
***denotes Councillors participating electronically**

Also
Present: Councillor Carter*
Councillor Dies*
Councillor Foster*
Councillor Garrod*
Councillor McDougall*
Councillor Pickles*
Councillor Schummer*
Councillor Woo*
Councillor Wotten*

Absent: None

Staff

Present: G. Anello, Director of Waste Management
E. Baxter-Trahair, Chief Administrative Officer
J. Demanuele, Director of Corporate Infrastructure and Strategic Business Services, Works Department
B. Dobson, Acting Director of Environmental Services
C. Dunkley, Manager of Financial Services and Corporate Real Estate
A. Evans, Manager of Waste Services
J. Hunt, Regional Solicitor/Director of Legal Services, Chief Administrative Office – Legal Services
R. Inacio, Systems Support Specialist, Corporate Services – IT

R. Jagannathan, Director of Transportation and Field Services
A. McPherson, Solicitor, Chief Administrative Office – Legal Services
N. Pincombe, Director of Business Planning & Budgeting
J. Presta, Commissioner of Works
N. Taylor, Commissioner of Finance
P. Veiga, Manager of Waste Management Operations
L. Soto Maya, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services
S. Ciani, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Regional Chair Henry, Seconded by Councillor Crawford,
(28) That the minutes of the regular Works Committee meeting held on
Wednesday, February 8, 2023, be adopted.

CARRIED

4. Statutory Public Meetings

There were no statutory public meetings.

5. Presentations

- 5.1 Gioseph Anello, Director of Waste Management Services, Jenni Demanuele, Director of Corporate Infrastructure and Strategic Business Services, and Ramesh Jagannathan, Director of Transportation and Field Services, re: 2023 Works Department Business Plans and Budget (2023-W-13) [Item 8.2 D]

Gioseph Anello, Director of Waste Management Services, Jenni Demanuele, Director of Corporate Infrastructure and Strategic Business Services, and Ramesh Jagannathan, Director of Transportation and Field Services provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding Report #2023-W-13: 2023 Works Department Business Plans and Budget.

Highlights from the presentation included:

- 2023 Business Plans and Budget
- Budget Overview – Solid Waste Management
 - 2022 Accomplishments
 - 2023 Proposed Expenditures & Financing
 - 2023 Base Pressures
 - 2023 Strategic Highlights
- Budget Overview – Roads & Infrastructure
 - 2022 Accomplishments

- 2023 Proposed Expenditures & Financing
- 2023 Base Pressures
- 2023 Strategic Highlights
- 2023 Roads Capital Planning Framework
- 2023 Roads Projects
- Proposed 2023 Structures Replacement/Rehabilitation Projects
- Proposed 2023 Traffic Programs
- Proposed 2023 Vision Zero Program
- Proposed 2023 Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICP) Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Projects
- Staffing, Risks & Uncertainties and Future Budget Pressures
 - 2023 Strategic Highlights
 - Staffing Trend vs Asset Values 2013-2023
 - 2023 Business Plans and Budgets – Risks and Uncertainties
- Beyond 2023 Business Plans and Budget

Staff responded to questions from the Committee regarding what communications are being had with multi-residential units with respect to challenges for them surrounding the green bin expansion, specifically waste storage; the disposal of certain waste materials like porcelain; whether the Region will consider taking over the Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) programs from the municipalities, and whether the Vision Zero Program which includes ASE, will expand beyond community safety and school zones; the responsibility and maintenance of privately owned landfills within the Region; whether the budget for the Vision Zero program should be increased; the status of the Regional Road #18 Reconstruction Project; gaps in cycling infrastructure that may cause dangerous connections through intersections; and the maintenance of Regional facilities, and the process for decommissioning a facility once it has served its purpose.

In response to a question from Regional Chair Henry regarding the Bad Boy Head Office and Distribution Centre being built on Highway 7 in the City of Pickering and when there will be a set of lights erected at that intersection, R. Jagannathan advised that he would follow-up with the province as it is their design/construction project and respond back to him directly.

Discussion ensued regarding the status of the Blackstock Landfill Reclamation project and whether annual reports are still being submitted to Ministry of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks (MECP). G. Anello advised that staff could provide an update on the status of the Blackstock Landfill before the summer recess. Further discussion ensued regarding whether the Brock Landfill and Transfer Station and the Scott Landfill in the Township of Uxbridge were candidates for landfill mining. G. Anello advised that the Brock Landfill is not a candidate, but that staff are finalizing the business case to mine the Scott Landfill and will bring a report outlining the possible options to a future Works Committee meeting.

6. Delegations

Moved by Councillor Yamada, Seconded by Councillor Mulcahy,
(29) That the rules of procedure be suspended in order to allow a delegation from Blair Dyson, Whitby Resident, regarding the condition and replacement of noise attenuation fences along Regional roads.

CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING
RECORDED VOTE (A 2/3rds VOTE WAS
ATTAINED):

Yes

No

Councillor Cook
Councillor Crawford
Regional Chair Henry
Councillor Mulcahy
Councillor Nicholson
Councillor Yamada
Councillor Barton, Chair

None

Members Absent: Councillor Marimpietri

Declarations of Interest: None

6.1 Blair Dyson, Whitby Resident, re: the Condition and Replacement of Noise Attenuation Fences Along Regional Roads.

Blair Dyson, Whitby Resident, appeared before the Committee regarding the condition and replacement of noise attenuation fences along Regional roads.

B. Dyson stated that he is located on Morning Glory Crescent in the Town of Whitby, and that his property backs onto Rossland Road East. He stated that the Region erected a fence 35 years ago in 1998 between his property and the Regions property on the boulevard, and it is now in need of maintenance, but the cost to him would be in the thousands as the stretch of fence is roughly 100 feet long.

B. Dyson suggested that it would be in the best interest of the Region to solve the issue of the condition and replacement of noise attenuation fences along Regional roads before it becomes a bigger problem. He stated that once residents start replacing their own fences, that the aesthetics of the fences and the Region as a whole, will decrease.

7. Waste

7.1 Correspondence

There were no communication items considered.

7.2 Reports

There were no Waste reports considered.

8. **Works**

8.1 Correspondence

There were no communication items considered.

8.2 Reports

A) The Regional Municipality of Durham's Drinking Water Systems 2022 Summary Report (2023-W-10)

Report #2023-W-10 from J. Presta, Commissioner of Works, was received.

Moved by Councillor Mulcahy, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,
(30) That we recommend to Council:

- A) That the 2022 Summary Report for the Regional Municipality of Durham Drinking Water Systems be received for information;
- B) That receipt of Report #2023-W-10 of the Commissioner of Works be confirmed by resolution of Regional Council; and
- C) That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks' York-Durham District Office to indicate that the conditions of Schedule 22 of Ontario Regulation 170/03 have been fulfilled.

CARRIED

B) Appointment of Staff as Well Contractor Licence Representatives and Delegation of Authority to the Commissioner of Works for Future Appointments (2023-W-11)

Report #2023-W-11 from J. Presta, Commissioner of Works, was received.

Moved by Councillor Crawford, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,
(31) That we recommend to Council:

- A) That Regional Council appoint Beata Golas as the Regional Municipality of Durham representative in matters related to and requiring a Well Contractor Licence as prescribed by the Ontario Water Resources Act;
- B) That Regional Council delegate authority to the Commissioner of Works to make future appointments and authorize staff to represent the Regional

Municipality of Durham in matters related to and requiring a Well Contractor Licence as prescribed by the Ontario Water Resources Act (or other such provincial legislation as may apply from time to time to provide for the management of wells) as necessary in the future; and

- C) That a By-law to amend the Delegation By-law (By-law 04-2023), generally in the form included as Attachment #1 to Report #2023-W-11 of the Commissioner of Works, to reflect the addition of the delegation of authority as provided in Recommendation B), be approved.

CARRIED

- C) Approval of Capital Works and Financing to be Incorporated into a Servicing Agreement with Winash Developments Limited, including Cost Sharing in Accordance with the Region Share Policy for Regional Infrastructure along the Proposed Mid-Block Arterial Roadway in the Brooklin Urban Area, in the Town of Whitby ([2023-W-12](#))
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Report #2023-W-12 from J. Presta, Commissioner of Works, was received.

In response to a question from Councillor Mulcahy regarding whether the project is on track, J. Presta advised that he would follow-up with staff and respond to her directly.

Moved by Councillor Mulcahy, Seconded by Councillor Crawford,
(32) That we recommend to Council:

- A) That capital works and financing estimated at \$16,545,100 for the Region share of the extension and oversizing of a sanitary sewer, local watermain and feedermain, in the Town of Whitby, be approved;
- B) That the Regional Municipality of Durham be authorized to enter into a Servicing Agreement with Winash Developments Limited for the construction and oversizing of a sanitary sewer and a local watermain and feedermain, in the Town of Whitby, including cost sharing in accordance with the Regional Municipality of Durham's Region Share Policy, at an estimated total project cost of \$22,486,400;
- C) That financing for the servicing agreement be provided from the following sources:

Developer's Share – Sanitary Sewer

Winash Developments Limited	<u>\$4,569,400</u>
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Developer's Share – Watermain

Winash Developments Limited	<u>\$1,371,900</u>
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Total Developer's Share	<u>\$5,941,300</u>
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Regional Share – Sanitary Sewer

2022 Sanitary Sewage System Capital Budget

Item 63: Southwest Brooklin Trunk Sanitary Sewer from west of Cochrane St. to east of Highway #12, Whitby Region's share (Project id: D2220)

Residential Development Charges	\$2,728,017
Commercial Development Charges	\$170,039
User Rate	<u>\$798,444</u>

Total Regional Share – Sanitary Sewer **\$3,696,500**

Regional Costs - Watermain

2023 Water Supply System Capital Budget

Item 132: Zone 3 feedermain on Mid-Block Arterial from Lynde Creek to Ashburn Rd., Whitby (West Loop) Region's Share (Project id: D2202)

Residential Development Charges	\$5,824,174
Commercial Development Charges	\$146,269
User Rate	<u>\$678,157</u>
Total Funding	\$6,648,600

Prior Funding – 2022 Water Supply System Capital Budget

Item 155: Zone 3 feedermain on Ashburn Rd. from Mid-Block Arterial to Winchester Rd. (Project id: D2203)

Residential Development Charges	\$5,431,200
Commercial Development Charges	\$136,400
User Rate	<u>\$632,400</u>
Total Funding	\$6,200,000

Total Regional Share – Watermain **\$12,848,600**

Total Regional Share **\$16,545,100**

Total Project Financing **\$22,486,400**

CARRIED

D) 2023 Works Department Business Plans and Budget (2023-W-13)

Report #2023-W-13 from J. Presta, Commissioner of Works, was received.

Moved by Councillor Crawford, Seconded by Councillor Mulcahy,
(33) That we recommend to the Finance and Administration Committee for subsequent recommendation to Regional Council:

That the 2023 Business Plans and Budget of the Works Department's General Tax and Solid Waste Management operations be approved.

CARRIED LATER IN THE MEETING
(See Following Motions)

Moved by Councillor Yamada, Seconded by Councillor Mulcahy,
(34) That the main motion (33) of Councillors Crawford and Mulcahy be amended to add the following as a new Part B):

B) That the Works Committee recommends to Regional Council a complete cost report and policy to implement the permanent maintenance of noise attenuation fences along all Regional roads and that the 1% property tax increase be implemented over two budgets (2023 and 2024).

MOTION REFERRED BACK TO STAFF
LATER IN THE MEETING ON A
RECORDED VOTE
(See Following Motions)

Detailed discussion ensued and concerns were raised regarding the financial impacts of the 1% property tax increase and the need for further information from staff.

Moved by Regional Chair Henry, Seconded by Councillor Marimpietri,
(35) That the foregoing amending motion (34) of Councillors Yamada and Mulcahy be further amended to place a period after the word "roads", and to delete the words "and that the 1% property tax increase be implemented over two budgets (2023 and 2024)".

CARRIED

Moved by Regional Chair Henry, Seconded by Councillor Marimpietri,
(36) That the foregoing amending motion (34) of Councillors Yamada and Mulcahy, as amended, be referred back to staff for a report to be brought to the Works Committee at their first opportunity.

CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING
RECORDED VOTE:

Yes

No

Councillor Cook
Councillor Crawford
Regional Chair Henry
Councillor Marimpietri
Councillor Mulcahy
Councillor Yamada
Councillor Barton, Chair

Councillor Nicholson

Members Absent: None

Declarations of Interest: None

The main motion (33) of Councillors Crawford and Mulcahy was then put to a vote AND CARRIED.

This item will be considered by the Finance & Administration Committee at their meeting to be held on March 21, 2023.

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 Durham Vision Zero Taskforce Update

Councillor Crawford provided a brief update regarding Vision Zero. He advised that there has been one fatal collision in the Town of Ajax on Salem Road North of Rossland Road since the February 8, 2023 Works Committee meeting.

Councillor Crawford advised that from January 2023 there have been 145 red light running charges laid which is lower than the average monthly charges of 208, and that a significant number of speeding tickets (including stunt driving charges) have been issued by the Durham Region Police Service (DRPS) and through the Automated Speed Enforcement Program.

Councillor Crawford further advised that the Durham Vision Zero Task Force has discussed an updated Community Safety Zone policy and subsequent new locations to be deployed in 2023.

12. Date of Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled Works Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 5, 2023 at 9:30 AM in Council Chambers, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby.

13. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Marimpietri, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry, (37) That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 11:31 AM

Respectfully submitted,

D. Barton, Chair

S. Ciani, Committee Clerk