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## **The Regional Municipality of Durham**

### **MINUTES**

#### **WORKS COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday, December 12, 2018**

A regular meeting of the Works Committee was held on Wednesday, December 12, 2018 in the Lower Level Boardroom (LL-C), Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, Ontario at 9:30 AM

Present: Councillor Mitchell, Chair  
Councillor Marimpietri, Vice-Chair  
Councillor Barton  
Councillor Crawford  
Councillor McLean left the meeting at 10:45 AM  
Councillor John Neal  
Councillor Smith  
Regional Chair Henry attended the meeting at 10:13 AM and left at 11:53 AM

#### **Staff**

Present: G. Anello, Manager, Waste Planning and Technical Services, Works Department  
C. Bartlett, Manager, Waste Management, Works Department  
J. Demanuele, Director of Business Services, Works Department  
R. Jagannathan, Director of Transportation and Field Services, Works Department  
M. Januszkiewicz, Director of Waste Management, Works Department  
J. Paquette, Manager (Works), Corporate Communications  
J. Presta, Director of Environmental Services, Works Department  
M. Seppala, Systems Support Specialist, Corporate Services – IT  
S. Siopis, Commissioner of Works  
A. Wakeford, Solicitor, Corporate Services – Legal Services  
S. Penak, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services

Moved by Councillor Marimpietri, Seconded by Councillor Barton,

- (1) That the Rules of Procedure be suspended in order to add a presentation titled “Durham Water and Sewer Overview” as Item 5.2) of the agenda.

CARRIED on a 2/3rds vote

#### **1. Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

## **2. Election of the Works Committee Vice-Chair**

The Chair called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair of the Works Committee.

Moved by Councillor McLean, Seconded by Councillor Barton,

- (2) That Councillor Marimpietri be nominated for the position of Vice-Chair of the Works Committee.

Moved by Councillor McLean, Seconded by Councillor Smith,

- (3) That nominations be closed.

CARRIED

The Chair asked if Councillor Marimpietri wished to stand. Councillor Marimpietri indicated he would stand.

Councillor Marimpietri was acclaimed as the Vice-Chair of the Works Committee.

## **3. Statutory Public Meetings**

There were no statutory public meetings.

It was the consensus of the Committee that the agenda be altered in order to consider Item 7.2 A), Report #2018-W-1: Relief from Certain Requirements of the Seaton-Specific Subdivision Agreement for Seaton Plans of Subdivision Located South of Taunton Road (Regional Road 4) next.

## **7. Works**

### **7.2 Reports**

- A) Relief from Certain Requirements of the Seaton-Specific Subdivision Agreement for Seaton Plans of Subdivision Located South of Taunton Road (Regional Road 4) ([2018-W-1](#))
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Report #2018-W-1 from S. Siopis, Commissioner of Works, was received.

At the request of the Committee, S. Siopis provided a brief overview regarding the land owner agreement and the landowner's responsibility. She noted two previous requests that have been granted for concessions that resulted in homes being occupied south of Taunton Road.

It was the consensus of the Committee to hear Glenn Pitura, Arutip Engineering on this matter. He responded to questions regarding project timelines and priorities; tender submissions; and the front ending agreement. G. Pitura advised that he would provide a project schedule to Regional staff. S. Siopis advised they would work with G. Pitura to receive the schedule on time for Regional Council on

December 19, 2018 and that staff would be coming back to the Works Committee in mid-April 2019 with a report on the progress.

Moved by Councillor McLean, Seconded by Councillor Smith,  
(4) That we recommend to Council:

That relief be provided from certain requirements of the Seaton-Specific Standard Subdivision Agreement to allow plans of subdivision, located south of Taunton Road (Regional Road 4), to proceed by:

- i) Providing the Landowners with the required sanitary sewer and water connection permits for the lots and blocks located within these plans of subdivision and indicated in the schedules provided by the Landowners for closings prior to the end of May 2019, on the condition that the Landowners agree to not submit or request a review by the Region of any of the Alexander Knox Drive designs until such time as the remainder of the Whites Road (Regional Road 38) project is in an executed construction contract.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor John Neal, Seconded by Councillor Crawford,  
(5) That the Committee recess for 20 minutes.

CARRIED

The Committee recessed at 9:45 AM and reconvened at 10:12 AM.

#### **4. Delegations**

There were no delegations to be heard.

#### **5. Presentations**

- 5.1 Presentation on The Power of Public Works – Meet your Works Department by: Susan Siopis, Commissioner of Works; John Presta, Director, Environmental Services; Ramesh Jagannathan, Director, Transportation and Field Services; Jenni Demanuele, Director, Business Services; and Mirka Januszkiewicz, Director, Waste Management Services
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S. Siopis, Commissioner of Works; J. Presta, Director, Environmental Services; R. Jagannathan, Director, Transportation and Field Services; J. Demanuele, Director, Business Services; and M. Januszkiewicz, Director, Waste Management Services, provided a PowerPoint presentation on The Power of Public Works – Meet your Works Department.

J. Presta, Director of Environmental Services gave an overview on the functions, opportunities and challenges of the Environmental Services Branch.

R. Jagannathan, Director of Transportation & Field Services gave an overview on the functions, opportunities and challenges of the Transportation & Field Services Branch.

J. Demanuele, Director of Business Services gave an overview on the functions, opportunities and challenges of the Support Services Branch.

M. Januszkiewicz, Director of Waste Management gave an overview on the functions, opportunities and challenges of the Waste Management Branch.

S. Siopis also advised the Committee of staff from other Departments such as Corporate Services - Human Resources and Legislative Services, Health, Safety and Wellness and Corporate Communications that are dedicated to the Works Department.

Staff responded to questions regarding future upgrades planned for several Water Supply Plants; concern over the increased amount of traffic on Regional Roads and the need for more turning lanes; road works projects; a preventative maintenance program for older buildings; general outcomes of property acquisitions; the impacts of Chinese National Sword; and mining of local landfills.

J. Presta agreed to provide Councillor Barton with more information regarding upgrades occurring at the Uxbridge Water Pollution Control Plant.

M. Januszkiewicz agreed to contact Councillor Marimpietri regarding concern over the proximity of the Oshawa Waste Management Facility to a local school.

Chair Mitchell vacated the chair from 11:14 AM to 11:19 AM. Vice-Chair Marimpietri assumed the chair in his absence.

The Committee recessed from 11:29 AM to 11:35 AM.

5.2 Durham Water and Sewer Overview Presentation by John Presta, Director, Environmental Services

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In anticipation of the Committee of the Whole meeting being held Thursday, December 13, 2018, J. Presta provided an overview of Durham's Water and Sewer Systems.

Highlights of the presentation included: Where the water for the Region's municipal water supply systems comes from; Durham's water supply operations; Durham's sanitary sewerage operations; Background on user rates; and the value of water.

J. Presta responded to questions regarding comparability of connection fees with other Region's; the 1.8% increase to the user rates and the sustainability of that amount; the percentage of solids being diverted to land applications; grey versus

black water treatment systems; additives to municipal water; and the urbanization of Columbus in the City of Oshawa, and residents that are not connected to the municipal water system.

S. Siopis advised that both PowerPoint presentations will be emailed out to the Committee members.

**6. Waste**

**6.1 Correspondence**

There were no communications to consider.

**6.2 Reports**

There were no Waste Reports to consider.

**7. Works**

**7.1 Correspondence**

There were no communications to consider.

**7.2 Reports**

- A) Relief from Certain Requirements of the Seaton-Specific Subdivision Agreement for Seaton Plans of Subdivision Located South of Taunton Road (Regional Road 4) ([2018-W-1](#))
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This item was considered earlier in the meeting. Refer to pages 2 and 3 of these minutes.

**8. Advisory Committee Resolutions**

There were no advisory committee resolutions to be considered.

**9. Confidential Matters**

There were no confidential matters to be considered.

**10. Other Business**

There was no other business to be considered.

**11. Date of Next Meeting**

The next regularly scheduled Works Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 9, 2019 at 9:30 AM in the Lower Level Boardroom (LL-C), Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby.

**12. Adjournment**

Moved by Councillor Marimpietri, Seconded by Councillor Barton,  
(6) That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 12:20 PM

Respectfully submitted,

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D. Mitchell, Chair

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S. Penak, Committee Clerk