

Minutes

The Council of The Regional Municipality of York

May 27, 2021 Electronic Meeting

Members: W. Emmerson, M. Bevilacqua, G. Chan, J. DiPaola, M. Ferri,

R. Grossi, V. Hackson, D. Hamilton, J. Heath, L. Jackson, J. Jones, J. Li, I. Lovatt, T. Mrakas, S. Pellegrini, C. Perrelli,

M. Quirk, G. Rosati, F. Scarpitti, J. Taylor, T. Vegh

Staff: D. Basso, A.M. Carroll, K. Chislett, P. Freeman, Dr. K. Kurji,

D. Kuzmyk, S. Love, B. Macgregor, E. Mahoney, L. Mirabella,

C. Raynor

A. Call to Order

Regional Chair Emmerson called the meeting to order at 9 a.m. and made the following remarks:

"We acknowledge the land we are meeting on today is the traditional territory of many First Nations, including the Chippewas of Georgina Island and the Mississaugas of the Credit.

These lands are now home to many diverse Indigenous peoples.

We also acknowledge that York Region falls under Treaty 13 with the Mississaugas of the Credit and the Williams Treaties with several Mississauga and Chippewas First Nations."

B. Disclosures of Interest

None

C. Minutes of Council

C.1 Council Meeting held on April 22, 2021

Moved by Mayor Hackson
Seconded by Regional Councillor Perrelli

That Council confirm the Minutes of the Council meeting held on April 22, 2021.

Carried

C.2 Special Council Meeting held on April 29, 2021

Moved by Mayor Hackson Seconded by Regional Councillor Perrelli

That Council confirm the Minutes of the Special Council meeting held on April 29, 2021.

Carried

C.3 Special Council Meeting held on May 6, 2021

Moved by Mayor Hackson Seconded by Regional Councillor Perrelli

That Council confirm the Minutes of the Special Council meeting held on May 6, 2021.

Carried

C.4 Special Council Meeting held on May 20, 2021

Moved by Mayor Hackson **Seconded by** Regional Councillor Perrelli

That Council confirm the Minutes of the Special Council meeting held on May 20, 2021.

D. Presentations

D.1 Driving Positive Change: The York University Economic and Social Impact Report 2020

Moved by Mayor Scarpitti **Seconded by** Mayor Bevilacqua

That Council receive the presentation by Dr. Rhonda Lenton, President and Vice-Chancellor, York University.

Carried

E. Deputations

None

F. Communications

F.1 World Sickle Cell Day

Moved by Regional Councillor Jones **Seconded by** Regional Councillor Heath

That Council receive the communication from Ika Washington, Communications and Marketing Manager, Sickle Cell Awareness Group of Ontario dated April 25, 2021 and recognize June 19, 2021 as World Sickle Cell Day.

Carried

F.2 Financial Impacts of COVID-19

Moved by Mayor Bevilacqua **Seconded by** Mayor Lovatt

That Council receive the memorandum from Laura Mirabella, Commissioner of Finance and Regional Treasurer dated May 25, 2021.

G. Consideration and Adoption of Reports

G.1 Committee of the Whole Meeting - May 13, 2021

Moved by Mayor Pellegrini
Seconded by Regional Councillor Ferri

That Council adopt the recommendations in the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held on May 13, 2021, except for Item I.2.1 as noted below.

Carried

I.2.1 Memorandums of Understanding with Conservation Authorities and Changes to the Conservation Authorities Act

Moved by Acting Mayor DiPaola **Seconded by** Regional Councillor Jackson

That Council amend clause 1 and add clause 2 to read:

- 1. Council direct staff to work with the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) to update the current Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Planning and Development Review to provide for efficient, timely, and cost-effective services, except as noted in clause 2.
- 2. That planning reviews, as currently defined in the MOU and currently carried out by the TRCA, be tendered out.
- 3. That staff report back to Council on regulations related to the *Conservation Authorities Act* once released by the Province and any changes to York Region's current Memorandums of Understanding and Service Level Agreements.
- 4. The Regional Clerk circulate this report to the Chief Administrative Officers of Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, the Clerks of the local municipalities, and the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks for information.

Defeated

Moved by Mayor Pellegrini
Seconded by Regional Councillor Ferri

That Council adopt the original recommendations in the report as follows:

- Council direct staff to work with the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation
 Authority and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority to update the
 current Memorandum of Understanding for Planning and Development
 Review to provide for efficient, timely, and cost-effective services.
- 2. That staff report back to Council on regulations related to the *Conservation Authorities Act* once released by the Province and any changes to York Region's current Memorandums of Understanding and Service Level Agreements.
- The Regional Clerk circulate this report to the Chief Administrative Officers of Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, the Clerks of the local municipalities, and the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks for information.

Carried

H. Introduction and Consideration of Bylaws

Moved by Regional Councillor Hamilton **Seconded by** Mayor Lovatt

That Council approve and enact the following bylaws:

H.1 2021-33 - Ontario Infrastructure and Lands Corporation Loan for the Town of Aurora

To authorize the submission of an application to Ontario Infrastructure and Lands Corporation ("OILC") for financing certain capital works of The Corporation of the Town of Aurora; and to authorize long-term borrowing for such capital works through the issue of debentures by The Regional Municipality of York to OILC

H.2 2021-34 - Nobleton Development Charge Bylaw

A bylaw for the imposition of wastewater works development charges against land in the Village of Nobleton of the Township of King

H.3 2021-35 - Establish a Public Highway - Bathurst Street

A bylaw to establish a public highway

H.4 2021-37 - Debenture - Town of Georgina

To authorize the borrowing upon amortizing debentures in the principal amount of \$2,322,000.00 towards the cost of a certain capital work of The Corporation of the Town of Georgina set out in Schedule "A" to this Bylaw

H.5 2021-38 - Debenture - Town of Georgina

To authorize the borrowing upon amortizing debentures in the aggregate principal amount of \$8,250,000.00 towards the cost of certain capital works of The Corporation of the Town of Georgina set out in Schedule "A" to this Bylaw

Carried

I. Motions

I.1 Timing of Step 1 of the Provincial Roadmap to Reopen

Moved by Mayor Mrakas Seconded by Mayor Lovatt

WHEREAS over 70% of the adult population in York Region has received their first dose; and,

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WHEREAS hospitalizations, ICU occupancy and new admissions and case rates have all declined and continue to trend downward; and.

WHEREAS Step One of the Provincial roadmap states "may begin after 60 per cent of Ontario's adults receive at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine and if, and only if, public health indicators, such as hospitalizations, ICU occupancy and new admissions and case rates indicate the province can safely move to this step of the roadmap."; and,

WHEREAS according to an independent modelling company, a fourth wave for York Region is not on the cards if we re-open after June 2, 2021; and,

WHEREAS the Province "Stay at Home" order originally was to expire June 2, 2021;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT York Regional Council request the province consider entering Step 1 of the "Provincial Roadmap to Reopen" as of 12:01 am May 31, 2021; and,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT a copy of this Motion be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Christine Elliott, Minister of Health, Dr Dave Williams, Chief Medical Officer of Health, all MPPs in the Province of Ontario, and all Heads of Council.

Moved by Mayor Quirk Seconded by Mayor Scarpitti

That the foregoing motion be amended to request the Province to enter Step 1 of the Provincial Roadmap to Reopen in advance of June 14, 2021 instead of on May 31, 2021.

A recorded vote was as follows:

For: Bevilacqua, Heath, Li, Quirk, Scarpitti, Taylor (6)

Against: Chan, DiPaola, Emmerson, Ferri, Grossi, Hackson, Hamilton, Jackson, Jones, Lovatt, Mrakas, Pellegrini, Perrelli, Rosati, Vegh (15)

Defeated

A recorded vote on the main motion was as follows:

For: Bevilacqua, Chan, DiPaola, Emmerson, Ferri, Grossi, Hackson, Hamilton, Jackson, Jones, Lovatt, Mrakas, Pellegrini, Perrelli, Rosati, Scarpitti, Taylor, Vegh (18)

Against: Li, Quirk (2)

Absent: Heath (1)

Carried

I.2 Accelerate Second Dose for Age 70 and Older

Moved by Mayor Scarpitti
Seconded by Regional Councillor Ferri

That York Regional Council request the Government of Ontario accelerate the administration of second dose vaccination for all residents age 70 and older.

J. Notices of Motion to Reconsider

None

K. Other Business

K.1 COVID-19 Update

Dr. Karim Kurji, York Region Medical Officer of Health provided a verbal update on the status of COVID-19 and responded to questions from Members of Council.

K.2 National AccessAbility Week

Regional Chair Emmerson noted May 30 to June 5 is National AccessAbility Week and recognizes the ongoing work we all have to do to counter discrimination against persons with disabilities and promote a culture of inclusion.

K.3 Pride Month

Regional Chair Emmerson noted June 1 marks the start of Pride Month in York Region and recognized those who have worked hard to raise awareness of LGBTQ2 history and rights.

K.4 Special Council Meeting - June 3, 2021

Regional Chair Emmerson announced a Special Council meeting on June 3, 2021 for a verbal update on COVID-19 from the Medical Officer of Health.

K.5 Audit Committee - June 9, 2021 Start Time

Regional Chair Emmerson announced that the start time of Audit Committee on June 9, 2021 will move from 1 p.m. to 9 a.m.

K.6 YRRTC Board of Directors - June 9, 2021 Cancellation

Regional Chair Emmerson announced the YRRTC Board of Directors meeting originally scheduled for June 9, 2021 at 9 a.m. has been cancelled and would announce later whether the meeting will be rescheduled to later in June.

L. Private Session

Moved by Mayor Hackson Seconded by Regional Councillor Grossi

That Council resolve into Private Session at 11:25 a.m.

Council resumed in Public Session at 11:32 a.m. and reported the following:

L.1 Mount Albert Retaining Wall Litigation Settlement - Litigation

Moved by Regional Councillor Perrelli Seconded by Regional Councillor Grossi

That Council adopt the confidential recommendation in the private report from the Regional Solicitor dated May 17, 2021.

Carried

L.2 Cornell Bus Terminal - Litigation Update - Litigation

Moved by Regional Councillor Perrelli **Seconded by** Regional Councillor Grossi

That Council adopt the confidential recommendations in the private report from the Regional Solicitor dated April 29, 2021.

Carried

L.3 Legal Liability Analysis Regarding Outsourcing Review Services for Development Applications - Solicitor-Client Privilege

Moved by Regional Councillor Perrelli **Seconded by** Regional Councillor Grossi

That Council receive the private memorandum.

Carried

L.4 Potential Staff Leave Verbal Update - Information About an Identifiable Individual

Moved by Regional Councillor Perrelli **Seconded by** Regional Councillor Grossi

That Council receive the verbal update.

N.

Moved by Mayor Bevilacqua **Seconded by** Mayor Pellegrini

That Council enact Bylaw No. 2021-36 to confirm the proceedings of this meeting of Council held on May 27, 2021.

Adjournment

The Council meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Regional Clerk

Minutes confirmed and adopted at the meeting of Council held on June 24, 2021.

Regional Chair