



**The Council of  
The Regional Municipality of York**

**Minutes of the  
Meeting Held on December 13, 2018**

---

Regional Council met at 9 a.m. in the Council Chambers, York Region Administrative Centre, 17250 Yonge Street, Newmarket, with Regional Chair Emmerson presiding.

The following were also in attendance:

Mayors: D. Barrow, M. Bevilacqua, V. Hackson, I. Lovatt, T. Mrakas,  
S. Pellegrini, M. Quirk, F. Scarpitti, J. Taylor

Regional Councillors: J. DiPaola, M. Ferri, R. Grossi, D. Hamilton, J. Heath, L. Jackson,  
J. Jones, J. Li, C. Perrelli, G. Rosati, T. Vegh

Staff: D. Basso, K. Chislett, P. Freeman, J. Hulton, P. Jankowski, K. Kurji,  
B. Macgregor, E. Mahoney, L. Mirabella, M.F. Turner

---

**Opening Remarks from Regional Chairman**

**171 Regional Chair Emmerson made the following remarks:**

“I would like to begin today’s meeting by acknowledging that York Region extends over lands originally used and occupied by Indigenous Peoples, and on behalf of York Region, I would like to thank First Nations and the Métis for sharing this land.

I would also like to acknowledge the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation as our closest First Nation community.”

**Disclosures of Interest**

None

## **Minutes**

### **172 Minutes of the Council Meeting Held on November 15, 2018**

It was moved by Mayor Hackson, seconded by Mayor Quirk that Council confirm the Minutes of the Council meeting held on November 15, 2018 in the form supplied to the Members.

Carried

### **173 Minutes of the Inaugural Council Meeting Held on December 6, 2018**

It was moved by Mayor Hackson, seconded by Mayor Quirk that Council confirm the Minutes of the Inaugural Council meeting held on December 6, 2018 in the form supplied to the Members.

Carried

## **Presentations**

### **174 Cannabis: Legislative Updates and Board of Health Responsibilities**

Dr. Karim Kurji, Medical Officer of Health and Joy Hulton, Regional Solicitor presented to Council regarding cannabis legislative updates and Board of Health responsibilities.

Dr. Kurji provided an overview of the health impacts of cannabis use, public health standards and enforcement, and ongoing initiatives to raise public awareness.

Ms. Hulton provided an overview of legal implications from cannabis legalization, including municipal concerns, opting in or out of hosting cannabis retailers, smoking and consumption bylaws, and financial implications.

York Regional Police Chief Eric Jolliffe provided Council with additional information regarding the operational and financial impacts of the legalization of cannabis on York Regional Police.

It was moved by Mayor Barrow, seconded by Mayor Pellegrini that Council receive the presentation.

Carried

## **Deputations**

### **175 York Region and UNITAR: Celebrating a Shared Commitment to Inclusive Communities**

It was moved by Regional Councillor Heath, seconded by Regional Councillor Ferri that Council receive the deputation from United Nations delegate Estrella Merlos, Associate Director, CIFAL Global Network and Project Lead, Road Safety Initiative.

Carried

### **176 York Region Transit Cross-Boundary Travel and Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area Fare Integration**

It was moved by Regional Councillor Heath, seconded by Regional Councillor Ferri that Council receive the deputation from Fred Winegust on behalf of Keep York Moving.

Carried

(See Minute No. 177)

## **Communications**

### **177 York Region Transit Cross-Boundary Travel and Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area Fare Integration**

It was moved by Regional Councillor Ferri, seconded by Regional Councillor Hamilton that Council receive the communication from Todd Coles, City Clerk, City of Vaughan dated October 5, 2018.

Carried

(See Minute No. 176)

### **178 Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville - Appointment of Councillor Ferdinands as the Alternate Member of Regional Council and to the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority**

It was moved by Mayor Lovatt, seconded by Mayor Quirk that Council receive the communication from Samantha Blakeley, Council Coordinator, Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville dated December 12, 2018.

Carried

**179 Update on Integrity Commissioner and Council Code of Conduct**

It was moved by Mayor Mrakas, seconded by Mayor Scarpitti that Council receive the memorandum from Christopher Raynor, Regional Clerk dated December 12, 2018.

Carried

**180 Bill 66, Restoring Ontario’s Competitiveness Act, 2018**

It was moved by Regional Councillor Jones, seconded by Mayor Mrakas that Council receive the memorandum from Paul Freeman, Chief Planner dated December 13, 2018.

Carried

**Introduction and Approval of Bylaws**

**181 Bylaws**

It was moved by Mayor Quirk, seconded by Mayor Lovatt that Council approve and enact the following bylaw in the form as noted on the Revised Agenda.

**Bylaw Number**

**Bylaw Title**

Bylaw No. 2018-75

**Appointment of Acting Chair**

To provide for the appointment of an Acting Chair when the Regional Chair is absent.

Carried

**Motions**

**182 Appointments to Internal Committees and Boards**

It was moved by Regional Councillor Jackson, seconded by Regional Councillor Grossi that:

1. Council make the following appointments to internal Committees, Boards and Corporations for the 2018 to 2022 term of Council:

**Accessibility Advisory Committee**

Regional Chair (ex officio)

Regional Councillor Hamilton

Regional Councillor Perrelli

Regional Councillor Vegh

**Audit Committee**

Regional Chair (ex officio)

Mayor Hackson

Mayor Lovatt

Mayor Mrakas

Mayor Pellegrini

Regional Councillor DiPaola

Regional Councillor Grossi

Regional Councillor Hamilton

Regional Councillor Rosati

Regional Councillor Vegh

**Committee of the Whole**

Community and Health Services

Chair – Regional Councillor Rosati

Vice-Chair – Regional Councillor Heath

Environmental Services

Chair – Regional Councillor Ferri

Vice-Chair – Mayor Quirk

Finance and Administration

Chair – Mayor Barrow

Vice-Chair – Regional Councillor Grossi

Planning and Economic Development

Chair – Regional Councillor Jones

Vice-Chair – Mayor Mrakas

Transportation Services

Chair – Mayor Pellegrini

Vice-Chair – Mayor Scarpitti

**Debenture Committee**

Regional Chair (Chair)

Bruce Macgregor, Chief Administrative Officer

Laura Mirabella, Commissioner of Finance

**Human Services Planning Board**

Regional Chair (ex officio)

Mayor Taylor

Regional Councillor Ferri

Regional Councillor Heath

**York Region Agricultural Advisory Liaison Group**

Councillor Avia Eek on behalf of Mayor Pellegrini

Councillor Hugo Kroon on behalf of Mayor Lovatt

**Planning Advisory Committee**

Regional Chair (ex officio)

Mayor Mrakas

Regional Councillor DiPaola

Regional Councillor Jones

**York Regional Police Services Board**

Regional Chair

Mayor Bevilacqua

Mayor Hackson

John Molyneaux, Citizen Member

The above Members of Council are appointed until November 14, 2022, but they may continue to sit until the appointment of their successor, or they are reappointed, providing that they remain on Council.

John Molyneaux is appointed as a Citizen Member for the term January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019.

2. The Regional Chair be authorized to make any additional appointments that are appropriate to internal Committees, Boards and Corporations and report to Council on those appointments.

A recorded vote on the adoption of the motion was as follows:

For: Barrow, Bevilacqua, DiPaola, Emmerson, Ferri, Grossi, Hackson, Hamilton, Heath, Jackson, Jones, Lovatt, Mrakas, Pellegrini, Perrelli, Quirk, Rosati, Scarpitti, Taylor (19)

Against: Li (1)

Absent: Vegh (1)

Carried

## **183 Appointments to Boards of York Regional Corporations**

It was moved by Mayor Scarpitti, seconded by Mayor Mrakas that:

1. Council recommend the Shareholder appoint the Boards of Directors of each Corporation as follows:

### **Housing York Inc.**

Regional Chair (CEO)

Mayor Hackson

Mayor Lovatt

Mayor Mrakas

Mayor Quirk

Mayor Taylor

Regional Councillor Hamilton

Regional Councillor Heath

Regional Councillor Perrelli

Regional Councillor Rosati

Regional Councillor Vegh

### **York Region Rapid Transit Corporation**

Regional Chair (CEO)

Mayor Barrow

Mayor Bevilacqua

Mayor Scarpitti

Mayor Taylor

Regional Councillor Ferri

Regional Councillor Jones

### **York Telecom Network**

Regional Chair (CEO)

Mayor Hackson

Mayor Quirk

Mayor Pellegrini

Mayor Scarpitti

Regional Councillor Ferri

Regional Councillor Jones

Regional Councillor Perrelli

Regional Councillor Rosati

Citizen Member – Tony Van Bynen

2. The Regional Chair be authorized to make any additional appointments that are appropriate to internal Committees, Boards and Corporations and report to Council on those appointments.

A recorded vote on the adoption of the motion was as follows:

- For: Barrow, Bevilacqua, DiPaola, Emmerson, Grossi, Hackson, Hamilton, Heath, Jackson, Jones, Lovatt, Mrakas, Pellegrini, Perrelli, Quirk, Rosati, Scarpitti, Taylor (18)
- Against: Li (1)
- Absent: Ferri, Vegh (2)

Carried

## 184 Appointments to External Boards, Agencies and Associations

It was moved by Regional Councillor Heath, seconded by Mayor Lovatt that:

1. Council make the following appointments to external Boards, Agencies and Associations for the 2018 to 2022 term of Council:

**Association of Municipalities of Ontario**  
Regional Councillor Grossi

**Canadian National Exhibition**  
Regional Councillor Grossi

**Cedar Centre**  
Mayor Hackson

**Community Partnership Council**  
Regional Chair (ex officio)  
Mayor Scarpitti (Co-Chair)

**Federation of Canadian Municipalities**  
Regional Chair Emmerson was appointed for the term June 2018 to June 2019.

**Golden Horseshoe Food and Farming Alliance**  
Councillor Avia Eek on behalf of Mayor Pellegrini (King)

**Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority**  
Regional Chair (at large)  
Councillor Wendy Gaertner on behalf of Mayor Mrakas (Aurora)  
Mayor Hackson (East Gwillimbury)  
Mayor Quirk (Georgina)  
Councillor Avia Eek on behalf of Mayor Pellegrini (King)  
Regional Councillor Tom Vegh (Newmarket)  
Councillor Ken Ferdinands on behalf of Mayor Lovatt (Whitchurch-Stouffville)



**Royal Agricultural Winter Fair Board**  
Mayor Pellegrini

**Southlake Regional Health Centre**  
Mayor Mrakas until the close of the 2019 Annual General Meeting

**Toronto Global**  
Regional Chair

**Toronto and Region Conservation Authority**  
Mayor Barrow (Richmond Hill)  
Mayor Pellegrini (King)  
Regional Councillor Heath (Markham)  
Regional Councillor Jackson (Vaughan)  
Regional Councillor Rosati (Vaughan)

**Toronto and Region Conservation Authority's Partnership in Project Green  
Executive Management Steering Committee**  
Regional Councillor Heath

2. The Regional Chair be authorized to make any additional appointments that are appropriate to external Boards, Agencies and Associations and report to Council on those appointments.

Carried

## **185 Council Education Session – January 23, 24 and 25, 2019**

It was moved by Mayor Barrow, seconded by Mayor Pellegrini that Regional Council hold a meeting closed to the public under section 239(3.1) of the Municipal Act for the purposes of educating its Members on challenges and opportunities for this term of Council.

The meeting will be held at the Kingbridge Centre, 12750 Jane Street, King City, Ontario starting on Wednesday, January 23, 2019 at 2 p.m. continuing on Thursday, January 24, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. and Friday, January 25, 2019 at 9 a.m.

Carried

## **186 Temporarily Permitting the Regional Chair to Preside Over Committee of the Whole Meetings**

It was moved by Mayor Taylor, seconded by Regional Councillor Grossi that Sections 22.8, 22.9, 22.10, 22.22 and 22.23 of the Procedure Bylaw (No. 2018-59), be temporarily suspended to permit the Regional Chair to preside over the entirety of Committee of the Whole meetings until December 31, 2019.

Carried with a 2/3 majority vote

## **Other Business**

### **187 Staff-Council Communications**

Lina Bigioni, Chief of Staff, announced that starting in February 2019, regular reports will be available to Council members regarding communications between Regional staff and both Regional and local municipal Council members.

### **188 Governance Task Force**

Regional Chair Emmerson indicated that staff will be reporting to Council in March 2019 regarding the establishment of a Governance Task Force.

## **Confirmatory Bylaw**

### **189 Bylaw 2018-74**

It was moved by Mayor Taylor, seconded by Mayor Mrakas that Council enact Bylaw No. 2018-74 to confirm the proceedings of this meeting of Council held on December 13, 2018.

The Council meeting adjourned at 12:07 p.m.

---

Regional Clerk

Minutes confirmed and adopted at the meeting of Regional Council held on January 31, 2019.

---

Regional Chair