

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL
OF
THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK**

April 18, 2002

The Regional Council met at 9:37 a.m. in the Council Chambers, York Region Administrative Centre, 17250 Yonge Street, Newmarket, with Regional Chair Fisch presiding.

The following were present at this Meeting:

Mayor: Bell, Black, Cousens, Emmerson, Holec, Jones, Taylor and Young.

Regional Councillor: Barrow, Di Biase, Hogg, Humeniuk, Scarpitti, Wheeler and Wong.

Staff: Carlyle, Cartwright, Davidson, Jaczek, Schipper, Simmons, Tuckey and Wells.

62 TRIBUTE—MAYOR LORNA JACKSON

Regional Chair Fisch indicated that it was with great sadness that he was acknowledging that this was the first time in over 22 years that Mayor Lorna Jackson was not a Member of Regional Council. He indicated that her tragic death has deeply affected all Members of Council. He further noted that she will be deeply missed from Council, the Region of York and the City of Vaughan.

Regional Councillor Di Biase then thanked all Members of Council, Regional staff and York Regional Police for their participation in Mayor Jackson's funeral and in the days immediately following her passing. He noted how much Mayor Jackson had done for the City of Vaughan. He also indicated that her devotion, compassion, commitment, strength and courage will always be remembered.

Mayor Bell remembered Mayor Jackson as someone who had a vision for the City of Vaughan. He indicated that he would always remember her as a wonderful person, gracious lady and as a friend.

Regional Councillor Wheeler echoed these sentiments, citing Mayor Jackson's dedication to the City of Vaughan and her friendship and indicating that she would be sadly missed.

Regional Chair Fisch then led all Members of Council and those gathered in the Council Chamber in a Moment of Silence in tribute to the late Mayor Lorna Jackson.

DECLARATIONS

- 63 Mayor Black declared an interest in Clause 1 of Report No. 4 of the Transportation and Works Committee. She made her declaration due to the fact that her husband's company is a sub-consultant to one of the companies being recommended to undertake groundwater studies. She did not take part in the consideration or discussion of, or vote on, this item.
- 64 Regional Councillor DiBiase declared an interest in Clause 1 of Report No. 4 of the Transportation and Works Committee. He made his declaration due to the fact that his son is employed as a hydrogeologist with one of the companies being recommended to undertake groundwater studies. He indicated that this had come to his attention for the first time today. He did not take part in the consideration or discussion of, or vote on, this item.

65 MINUTES

It was moved by Mayor Young, seconded by Mayor Emmerson, that the Minutes of the Council meeting held on the 28th day of March, 2002, be confirmed in the form supplied to the Members.

Carried.

PRESENTATION

66 Vision 2026

Regional Chair Fisch introduced Council's Vision 2026 document. He noted that this document will act as a road map that will shape York Region's future and build on our enviable quality of life for the next 25 years. Vision 2026 is a shared vision created by Council, staff and the input of a wide range of citizens from across the Region.

The Regional Chair added that Vision 2026 builds on Vision 2021. The Vision 2021 document was approved by Council in 1993. It led to 450 new initiatives over the past nine years. Since 1993, the Region has been witness to incredible change. Its population has grown dramatically and has become older and more culturally-diversified. The Regional Municipality of York has also taken on many new responsibilities, with a budget that has grown to \$1.2 billion annually.

Vision 2026 responds to the various challenges in York Region. It promotes transit and rapid transit to help ease congestion from our road network. It will help increase the portfolio of housing choices. It supports businesses and creates new partnerships. It will protect the legacy of our natural environment for future generations. It promotes the Region as a leader in customer service with a corporate culture that helps us to serve the community. Regional Chair Fisch indicated that Vision 2026 is geared to maintaining the excellent quality of life in York Region for our families, children and grandchildren.

Regional Chair Fisch concluded by thanking Regional Councillor Scarpitti, Chair of the Planning and Economic Development Committee, for his attendance at various meetings and for his leadership and involvement in co-ordinating the preparation of Vision 2026.

Regional Councillor Scarpitti then indicated how excited he was about the launch of Vision 2026. He noted the significant staff effort and the leadership of the Planning and Development Services Department in the preparation of Vision 2026. He indicated that Vision 2026 has charted a course that will make the Region vibrant, healthy and environmentally-friendly for years to come.

Regional Councillor Scarpitti then delivered a slide presentation about Vision 2026. This presentation outlined the process for creating the Vision. This included 14 public workshops, four staff workshops, focus sessions with stakeholder groups, two “youth” workshops and two Council workshops. 240,000 brochures were sent to all households and businesses in the Region. There were also questions in an Environics survey, translation of the Vision into seven languages and information on the Regional website and in the media.

Regional Councillor Scarpitti indicated that key messages in Vision 2026 include the Region as a leader, strengthening livability and quality of life in the Region, celebrating diversity, strengthening environmental objectives, sustaining the Region’s economy and growth, promoting further housing mix, reporting back on measures to determine success and continuing citizen engagement in the process. All of these messages support the Vision Statement of “Creating Strong, Caring, Safe Communities”. He noted a number of goals and action areas geared to implementing these messages. He then presented a video on Vision 2026.

Alan Wells, Chief Administrative Officer, added that Vision 2026 presents a road map of where the Region wants to go. It is based on the strong federation of the Region and the nine area municipalities. He noted the valuable work done by staff in all the Departments, York Regional Police and the leadership of the Planning and Development Services Department.

Mr. Wells cited the various measurements of success, including indicators of progress, an annual Vision Report, the annual Business Plans and Committee Reports. He thanked Patti Hall-Hawkins and Deb Walker, the staff project leaders, for their exceptional work. He also thanked all of staff for embracing this project.

Regional Chair Fisch thanked everyone for their involvement and indicated that he looked forward to all of the initiatives that would flow from Vision 2026. Regional Councillor Scarpitti complimented Bryan Tuckey, Commissioner of Planning and Development Services, for his stewardship and guidance throughout the whole process.

Regional Chair Fisch and Regional Councillor Scarpitti then concluded by thanking and welcoming six children who appeared in the Vision 2026 video – Rebecca Bigioni, Chase Gould, Chardan Howe, Gwendolyn Lewis, Justin Torabi and Richard Torabi.

(A copy of the presentation materials is on file with the Regional Clerk.)

COMMUNICATIONS

Council proceeded to consider the following communications:

67 **Stouffville Road/Jefferson Sideroad Connection**
(Clause 2 of Transportation and Works Committee Report No. 4)

Jeff and Paula McNab, April 11, 2002
Armando and Gisella Imbrogno, April 14, 2002
Barbara Shearer, Amy Dunne, Mrs. P. Hurren, Fellman, Mrs. M. Suter, Laura Gibson, April 14, 2002
Catherine A. Fair, April 15, 2002
The Blum Family, April 16, 2002
The Bucci Family, April 16, 2002
The Castelli Family, April 16, 2002
The Elgis Family, April 16, 2002
The Forli Family, April 16, 2002
The Gallucci Family, April 16, 2002
The Giuliani Family, April 16, 2002
The Hayman Family, April 16, 2002
The Iafano Family, April 16, 2002
The Imbrogno Family, April 16, 2002
The Pacella Family, April 16, 2002
The Peat Family, April 16, 2002
The Pechman Family, April 16, 2002
The Perone Family, April 16, 2002
The Polsoni Family, April 16, 2002
The Rilli Family, April 16, 2002
The Schutten Family, April 16, 2002
The Stasiuk Family, April 16, 2002
C. H. Freeman, April 17, 2002
Paul Binhammer, April 18, 2002

It was moved by Regional Councillor Barrow, seconded by Regional Councillor Hogg, that these communications be received and referred to the consideration of Clause 2 of Transportation and Works Committee Report No. 4.

Carried.

68 **No-Smoking By-law—Bingo Halls**
(Bill No. 32)

Evelyn Johnston, April 15, 2002.

Harvey Meek, Acting Chair, April 17, 2002, Markham Bingo Country Sponsors Association, requesting deputant status.

It was moved by Mayor Bell, seconded by Regional Councillor Scarpitti, that these communications be received.

Carried.

(See Minute No. 75)

69 Salvation Army Red Shield Month

Kimberley McLean, Newmarket Red Shield Co-ordinator, The Salvation Army, April 5, 2002, requesting that Council proclaim the month of May as “Salvation Army Red Shield Month”.

It was moved by Mayor Holec, seconded by Mayor Emmerson, that Council receive this communication and recognize the month of May as “Salvation Army Red Shield Month”.

Carried.

70 Community Living Month

Barbara Bartlett, President, Board of Directors, Community Living Newmarket/Aurora District; Ann Broeders, President, Board of Directors, Georgina Association for Community Living; and Tony Carella, President, Board of Directors, York South Association for Community Living, March 25, 2002, requesting that Council proclaim the month of May as “Community Living Month”.

It was moved by Mayor Jones, seconded by Mayor Black, that Council receive this communication and recognize the month of May as “Community Living Month”.

Carried.

71 Willow Beach Area

(Clause 10 of Planning and Economic Development Committee Report No. 4)

Gary Sedore, April 3, 2002 and April 18, 2002, regarding the extension of municipal services to the Willow Beach Area, and requesting deputant status.

It was moved by Regional Councillor Wheeler, seconded by Mayor Holec, that these communications be received and referred to the consideration of Item 1 of Clause 10 of Planning and Economic Development Committee Report No. 4.

Carried.

(See Minutes Nos. 74 and 80)

72 Student Tobacco Use Survey

(Clause 2 of Health and Emergency Medical Services Committee Report No. 4)

Allan Mackey, Superintendent of Schools, York Catholic District School Board, March 19, 2002, regarding the Report of Student Tobacco Use Survey, and requesting deputant status.

It was moved by Mayor Taylor, seconded by Regional Councillor Humeniuk, that Council receive this communication and grant deputant status.

Carried.

DEPUTATIONS

Council heard the following deputation:

73 Student Tobacco Use Survey

(Clause 2 of Health and Emergency Medical Services Committee Report No. 4)

Allan Mackey, Superintendent of Schools, York Catholic District School Board, assisted by Peter Wightman who spoke on behalf of the students of the York Catholic District School Board and the students of York Region.

It was moved by Regional Councillor Humeniuk, seconded by Mayor Emmerson, that this deputation be received.

Carried.

74 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

It was moved by Regional Councillor Wheeler, seconded by Regional Councillor Humeniuk, that the following reports be received and that Council resolve itself into Committee of the Whole to consider them.

Report No. 4 of the Community Services and Housing
Report No. 4 of the Finance and Administration Committee
Report No. 2 of the Fire Services Committee
Report No. 4 of the Health and Emergency Medical Services Committee
Report No. 4 of the Planning and Economic Development Committee
Report No. 4 of the Transportation and Works Committee
Report No. 1 of the 9-1-1 Operating Committee

Carried.

Regional Chair Fisch chaired the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee of the Whole rose after making the following recommendations:

Report No. 4 of the Community Services and Housing Committee, be adopted, without amendment;

Report No. 4 of the Finance and Administration Committee, be adopted, without amendment;

Report No. 2 of the Fire Services Committee, be adopted, without amendment;

Report No. 4 of the Health and Emergency Medical Services Committee, be adopted, without amendment;

Report No. 4 of the Planning and Economic Development Committee, be adopted, without amendment;

Report No. 4 of the Transportation and Works Committee, be adopted, with the following amendment:

Clause 8 be amended to delete the reference to “Metro Road from Brule Lakeway to Hardwood Drive in the Town of Georgina”, and replace it with “Metro Road from Keleenna Drive to Dalton Road, in the Town of Georgina”; and

Report No. 1 of the 9-1-1 Operating Committee, be adopted, without amendment.

It was moved by Mayor Emmerson, seconded by Mayor Cousens, that Council adopt the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole.

Carried.

BY-LAWS

75 No Smoking By-law -- Bingo Halls *(Bill 32)*

It was moved by Regional Councillor Scarpitti, seconded by Regional Councillor Di Biase, that consideration of Bill 32, a By-law to amend the Region’s No-Smoking By-law as it relates to the designated smoking areas in bingo halls, be deferred to Council’s meeting of May 16, 2002.

Carried.

(See Minute No. 68)

76 Expropriation By-law –Plan 65R-13535, East Gwillimbury

In considering this matter, Council had before it a communication from Kim Beckman, Solicitor, Davies Howe Partners, April 18, 2002, on behalf of Woodbine-Davis Developments Limited, and requesting deputant status.

It was moved by Mayor Taylor, seconded by Mayor Bell, that Council enact By-law No. R-1278-2002-032 to approve the expropriation of certain lands in the Town of East Gwillimbury for and in connection with constructing a solid waste transfer station, recycling centre and for additional uses.

Carried.

77 Other By-laws

It was moved by Mayor Taylor, seconded by Mayor Bell, that certain Bills be introduced and approved in the form as noted on the Agenda and enacted as By-laws.

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| By-law No. R-1272-2002-023 | To authorize the Commissioner of Transportation and Works to temporarily close a portion of Metro Road (Y.R. 78) during watermain construction (<i>see also Minute No. 74</i>) |
| By-law No. R-1273-2002-024 | To authorize the Commissioner of Transportation and Works to temporarily close a portion of Keele Street (Y.R. 6) during watermain construction |
| By-law No. R-1274-2002-025 | To authorize the Commissioner of Transportation and Works to temporarily close a portion of Eagle Street (Y.R. 5) during the construction of a sanitary sewer system |
| By-law No. R-1275-2002-026 | To authorize the Commissioner of Transportation and Works to temporarily close a portion of Gamble Road (Y.R. 29) during the repair of the watermain system |
| By-law No. R-1276-2002-027 | To authorize the Commissioner of Transportation and Works to temporarily close a portion of Major Mackenzie Drive East (Y.R. 25) during sewer construction |
| By-law No. R-0549(fs)-2002-028 | To amend By-law No. R-549-77-112 to prescribe maximum rates of speed on certain Regional Roads |
| By-law No. R-0393(au)-2002-029 | To amend By-law No. R-393-76-66 respecting turning movements on Regional Roads |
| By-law No. R-1277-2002-030 | Respecting parking on Keele Street (Y.R. 6) in the Township of King |
| By-law No. A-0304-2002-031 | To provide for the purchase of goods and services |

By-law No. R-1278-2002-032 To acquire certain lands for or in connection with constructing a solid waste transfer station, recycling centre and for additional uses, in the Town of East Gwillimbury

Carried.

78 NOTICE OF MOTION

Council received notice of the following motion to be introduced by Mayor Cousens at its meeting of May 16, 2002:

WHEREAS subsection 58(1) of the *Municipal Act* provides that, subject to Council's procedure by-law, the head of council may at any time summon a special meeting, and upon the receipt of the petition of the majority of the members of the council, the clerk shall summon a special meeting for the purpose and at the time and place mentioned in the petition;

AND WHEREAS subsection 5.6 of Council's Procedure By-law states that at Special Meetings of Council, the Council shall not decide upon any matter unless the matter has been specified in the Notice calling the meeting;

AND WHEREAS subsection 5.6 further provides that this provision may be waived only where all Members are present to vote upon a motion to waive it;

AND WHEREAS these provisions are unduly restrictive as they do not allow for urgent matters to be dealt with at Special Meetings unless all Members of Council are present:

AND WHEREAS Council's Procedure By-law also requires that notice be given of any proposed amendment or repeal to the Procedure By-law:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at Council's meeting of May 16, 2002, a motion will be introduced to pass an amendment to Council's Procedure By-law that would permit Council, at a Special Meeting, to consider an item that is not referred to in the Notice of Special Meeting, with the consent of two-thirds of the Members present and voting.

79 PRIVATE SESSION

It was moved by Regional Councillor Scarpitti, seconded by Regional Councillor Hogg, that Council convene in Private Session for the purpose of considering certain property and personnel matters.

Carried.

Council met in Private Session in the Council Chambers at 10.50 a.m. and reconvened in Council at 11:55 a.m.

It was moved by Mayor Emmerson, seconded by Regional Councillor Barrow, that Council rise and report from Private Session.

Carried.

80 Willow Beach Area

It was moved by Regional Councillor Wheeler, seconded by Mayor Cousens, that Mr. Gary Sedore be granted deputant status.

Carried.

(See Minutes Nos. 71 and 74.)

81 Settlers Park, Markham

It was moved by Mayor Bell, seconded by Regional Councillor Scarpitti, that the following communications be received and considered in conjunction with Council's deliberation on this matter.

J. Bruce Craig, President, King City Preserve the Village, February 26, 2001
Gillian and John Leonard, March 10, 2002
Laura (Hoad) Weaver, March 14, 2002
Helen and Bill Duffy, March 19, 2002
Andrew McCammon, April 15, 2002
Sidney M. Cohen, April 15, 2002
Dena Bain Taylor, President, German Mills Ratepayers Association, April 16, 2002
Margaret Buchinger, Don Watershed Regeneration Council, April 17, 2002, requesting deputant status
Bill & Suzanne Cotton, April 17, 2002
Barb Heidenreich, Evergreen Common Grounds, Land Trusts & Conservation Manager, April 17, 2002
Derek, Wendy and Peggy Hilson, April 17, 2002
Elizabeth Hutchison, April 17, 2002
Steffanie MacDonald, April 17, 2002
Karl L. R. Mahler, April 17, 2002
Kevin Mercer, Executive Director, RiverSides Stewardship Alliance, April 17, 2002
Sari Merson, York Region Environmental Alliance, April 17, 2002
Joyce Riettie and family, April 17, 2002
Erin Shapero, Councillor, Ward 2, Town of Markham, April 17, 2002, requesting deputant status
Benj Wulffhart, April 17, 2002

JoAnn Kurtz, Vice President, German Mills Ratepayers Association, April 18, 2002, requesting deputant status

Carried.

It was moved by Mayor Taylor, seconded by Mayor Cousens, that the Region express its commitment to participate financially in the acquisition of land adjacent to Settlers Park in Markham, conditional on the support and involvement of the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority and other funding partners.

Carried.

82 CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

It was moved by Regional Councillor Barrow, seconded by Regional Councillor Wong, that the following by-law be enacted to confirm the proceedings of this meeting of Council.

By-law No. M-0679-2002-033 To confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on April 18, 2002.

Carried.

The Council meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Regional Clerk

Minutes confirmed and adopted at the meeting of Regional Council held on the 16th day of May, 2002.

Regional Chair