

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

June 27, 2002

The Regional Council met at 9:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers, York Region Administrative Centre, 17250 Yonge Street, Newmarket, with Chair Fisch presiding.

The following were present at this Meeting:

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

Regional Councillor: Barrow, Frustaglio, Hogg, Humeniuk, Landon, O'Donnell, Rosati, Scarpitti, Wheeler and Wong.

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

108 MINUTES

It was moved by Regional Councillor Wong, seconded by Mayor Bell, that the Minutes of the Council meeting held on the 16th day of May, 2002 and the Minutes of the Special Council meeting held on the 23rd day of May, 2002, be confirmed in the form supplied to the Members.

Carried.

PRESENTATION

109 Take a Hike Trail Guide

(Clause 16 of Planning and Economic Development Committee Report No. 6)

Mr. Harold Sellers, Hike Ontario, indicated that the Region was launching the *Take a Hike Trail Guide* today.

This Guide has been prepared by the Region and 16 other community partners, including the nine area municipalities and the two conservation authorities, as an action item identified through the Greening of York Region Strategy. The Guide sets out a wide range of hiking and recreational activities in York Region.

It was moved by Mayor Jones, seconded by Regional Councillor Hogg, that the presentation be received.

Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Council proceeded to consider the following communications:

110 Hydro One

Hon. Chris Hodgson, Minister, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, June 7, 2002, regarding Hydro One ownership and management.

It was moved by Mayor Taylor, seconded by Mayor Emmerson, that this communication be received.

Carried.

111 York Regional Transit

Regional Councillor Diane Humeniuk, June 3, 2002, forwarding a letter from Ms. Laurie McBride regarding excellent service she received while using the York Regional Transit system.

It was moved by Regional Councillor Humeniuk, seconded by Regional Councillor Barrow, that this communication be received and forwarded to the staff of York Region Transit with congratulations.

Carried.

112 Tree By-law

(Clause 1 of Transportation and Works Committee Report No. 6.)

Kevin and Carolyn Foster, June 12, 2002, regarding the tree by-law and requesting deputant status.

It was moved by Mayor Holec, seconded by Regional Councillor Wong, that this communication be received and deputant status be granted.

Carried.

113 Tree By-law

(Clause 2 of Transportation and Works Committee Report No. 6.)

Jerry Draper, Draper Farms, June 12, 2002, regarding the tree by-law and requesting deputant status.

It was moved by Mayor Holec, seconded by Regional Councillor Frustaglio, that this communication be received and deputant status be granted.

Carried.

114 **Amendment No. 570, City of Vaughan**
(Clause 15 of Planning and Economic Development Committee Report No. 6.)

Stephen Armstrong, Principal, Armstrong, Goldberg, Hunter, June 24, 2002, regarding Amendment No. 570, City of Vaughan, Addendum Report No. 2 to Planning Report No. 1512 OP.

It was moved by Mayor Di Biase, seconded by Regional Councillor Rosati, that this communication be received and deputation status be granted to Srdjana Jaksic, Planner, on behalf of Stephen Armstrong.

Carried.

115 **16th Avenue Trunk Sewer Contract**
(Report No. 5 of the Commissioner of Transportation and Works.)

Mike McNally, P. Eng., C and M McNally Engineering Corp., June 25, 2002, regarding the 16th Avenue Trunk Sewer, Phase 2, Construction Contract Award, Town of Markham, Project 74030.

It was moved by Mayor Taylor, seconded by Regional Councillor Landon, that this communication be received and referred to the discussion of Report No. 5 of the Commissioner of Transportation and Works.

Carried.

DEPUTATIONS

Council received the following deputations:

116 **Tree By-law**
(Clause 1 of Transportation and Works Committee Report No. 6.)

Kevin Foster, regarding the Tree By-law and requesting that Council refer the item back to Committee for further consideration.

It was moved by Mayor Holec, seconded by Mayor Bell, that this deputation be received and that Clause No. 1 of Transportation and Works Committee Report No. 6 be brought forward at this time for discussion.

Carried.

It was moved by Mayor Jones, seconded by Regional Councillor Landon, that Clause No. 1 of Transportation and Works Committee Report No. 6 be deferred for consideration at the September 19, 2002 meeting of Council and staff be directed to provide further information on the balancing of agricultural operations needs and environmental interests under the Tree By-law.

Carried.

117 Tree By-law

(Clause 2 of Transportation and Works Committee Report No. 6.)

Jerry Draper, Draper Farms, regarding the Tree By-law and requesting Clause No. 2 of Transportation and Works Committee Report No. 6 be referred back to Committee for further consideration.

It was moved by Mayor Holec, seconded by Mayor Bell, that this deputation be received and that Clause No. 2 of Report No. 6 of the Transportation and Works Committee be brought forward at this time for discussion.

Carried.

It was moved by Mayor Jones, seconded by Regional Councillor Landon, that Clause No. 2 of Transportation and Works Committee Report No. 6 be deferred for consideration at the September 19, 2002 meeting of Council and staff be directed to provide further information on the balancing of agricultural operations needs and environmental interests under the Tree By-law.

Carried.

118 Amendment No. 570, City of Vaughan

(Clause 15 of Planning and Economic Development Committee Report No. 6.)

Srijana Jaksic, Planner, on behalf of Stephen Armstrong, Principal, Armstrong, Goldberg, Hunter, regarding Amendment No. 570, City of Vaughan, Addendum Report No. 2 to Planning Report No. 1512 OP. requesting Council approve the amendment.

It was moved by Regional Councillor Scarpitti, seconded by Mayor Di Biase, that the deputation be received and referred to the discussion of Clause 15 of Planning and Economic Development Committee Report No. 6.

Carried.

119 COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Holec presented the following reports for the consideration of Council:

- Report No. 2 of the Audit Committee
- Report No. 5 of the Community Services and Housing Committee
- Report No. 5 of the Finance and Administration Committee
- Report No. 3 of the Fire Services Committee
- Report No. 6 of the Health and Emergency Medical Services Committee
- Report No. 6 of the Planning and Economic Development Committee
- Report No. 4 of the Solid Waste Management Committee
- Report No. 6 of the Transit Committee
- Report No. 6 of the Transportation and Works Committee
- Report No. 7 of the Transportation and Works Committee
- Report No. 2 of the Regional Chair

Report No. 3 of the Commissioner of Finance
Report No. 4 of the Commissioner of Finance
Report No. 5 of the Commissioner of Finance
Report No. 5 of the Commissioner of Transportation and Works

It was moved by Mayor Holec, seconded by Mayor Jones, that the reports be received and that Council resolve itself into Committee of the Whole to consider them.

Carried.

Chair Fisch chaired the Committee of the Whole.

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

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

Report No. 5 of the Community Services and Housing Committee, be adopted, without amendment;

Report No. 5 of the Finance and Administration Committee, be adopted, with the following amendment:

Clause 2 be referred back to the Committee.

Report No. 3 of the Fire Services Committee, be adopted, without amendment;

Report No. 6 of the Health and Emergency Medical Services Committee, be adopted, with the following amendment:

Clause 6 and Clause 7, Item 12 be amended to state the following:

“Terry Mundell, President, Ontario Hotel, Motel and Restaurant Association.”

(Council directed staff to report to the next Health and Emergency Medical Services Committee meeting and to the Finance and Administration Committee on the status of the enforcement of the No-Smoking By-law—e.g. how many tickets are being issued, how many convictions there are, revenue generated and costs involved.)

Report No. 6 of the Planning and Economic Development Committee, be adopted, with the following amendments:

The following recommendation be added to Clause 12:

- 3. York Region begin a process to re-name Highway 7 to reflect the dynamic, transit-oriented, people-friendly linkage that is a main street in the south of York Region, and that staff bring forward recommendations on how this re-naming process can proceed.*

*Clause 15 be received; and
Council approve the revised application as reflected in the letter dated June 24, 2002 from Stephen
Armstrong; and
Staff provide any notice that is necessary regarding the revised application.*

Report No. 4 of the Solid Waste Management Committee, be adopted, with the following amendment:

The following recommendation be added to Clause 1:

5. That the Bales Drive site not be considered as a possible location for a composting facility and that this be reflected in the request for proposal.

Report No. 6 of the Transit Committee, be adopted, without amendment;

Report No. 6 of the Transportation and Works Committee, be adopted, with the following amendments:

Clause 1 be deferred for consideration at the next meeting of Council on September 19, 2002 and staff be directed to provide further information on the balancing of agricultural operations needs and environmental interests under the Tree By-law.

Clause 2, be deferred for consideration to the next meeting of Council on September 19, 2002 and staff be directed to provide further information on the balancing of agricultural operations needs and environmental interests under the Tree By-law.

Report No. 7 of the Transportation and Works Committee, be adopted, with the following amendments:

The following recommendation be added to Clause 1:

4. Staff be directed to report quarterly, or more often if needed, on the progress of the York-Peel Feedermain Project and any outstanding issues.

Report No. 2 of the Regional Chair, be adopted, without amendment;

Report No. 3 of the Commissioner of Finance, be adopted, without amendment;

Report No. 4 of the Commissioner of Finance, be adopted, without amendment;

Report No. 5 of the Commissioner of Finance, be adopted, without amendment;

Report No. 5 of the Commissioner of Transportation and Works, be adopted, without amendment;

It was moved by Regional Councillor Scarpitti, seconded by Regional Councillor Frustaglio, that Council adopt the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole.

Carried.

120 BY-LAWS

It was moved by Regional Councillor Wheeler, seconded by Mayor Emmerson, 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-1281-2002-042 | To authorize the construction of intersection improvements at Queensville Sideroad (Y.R. 77) and Second Concession Road in the Town of East Gwillimbury |
| By-law No. R-1282-2002-043 | To authorize the construction of intersection improvements at Aurora Road (Y.R. 15) and Warden Avenue (Y.R. 65) in the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville |
| By-law No. R-1283-2002-044 | To authorize the widening and reconstruction of Islington Avenue (Y.R. 17)) from Rutherford Road (Y.R. 73) to Major Mackenzie Drive West (Y.R. 25), in the City of Vaughan |
| By-law No. R-1284-2002-045 | To authorize the widening and reconstruction of Woodbine Avenue (Y.R.8) from Ravenshoe Road (Y.R. 32) to Old Homestead Road (Y.R.79) in the Town of Georgina |
| By-law No. R-0549(fv)-2002-046 | To amend By-law No. R-549-77-112 to prescribe maximum rates of speed on certain Regional Roads |
| By-law No. R-1285-2002-047 | To temporarily close portions of Major Mackenzie Drive East (Y.R. 25) and Warden Avenue (Y.R. 65) in the Town of Markham |
| By-law No. R-1286-2002-048 | Respecting parking on Warden Avenue (Y.R. 65), McCowan Road (Y.R.67) Elgin Mills Road (Y.R.49), Kennedy Road, (Y.R.3), and Major Mackenzie Drive East (Y.R. 25) in the Town of Markham |
| By-law No. R-1287-2002-049 | To authorize the Commissioner of Transportation and Works to temporarily close a portion of Pine Valley Drive (Y.R. 57), in the City of Vaughan |

By-law No. OP-0025-2002-050	A by-law to adopt Amendment No. 32 for the Official Plan for the Region of York
By-law No. OP-0026-2002-051	A by-law to adopt Amendment No. 33 for the Official Plan for the Region of York
By-law No. R-1288-2002-052	To acquire certain lands for or in connection with the widening and reconstruction of Warden Avenue (YR 65) from Steeles Avenue to 16 th Avenue (YR 73), Town of Markham
By-law No. RD-0500-2002-053	To dedicate certain lands for the purposes of public highways
By-law No. R-1102(aj)-2002-054	To amend By-law No. R-1102-96-100 to prohibit or regulate parking and stopping on Regional Roads
By-law No. A-0305-2002-055	A by-law to establish payments in lieu of property taxes for lands within the York Regional Forest
By-law No. A-0306-2002-056	A by-law to delegate authority to the Regional Treasurer to establish “clawback” percentages for the 2002 taxation year for the commercial, industrial, and multi-residential property classes
By-law No. A-0292(a)-2002-057	A By-law to Amend By-law No. A-0292-2001-051 Providing for the Enforcement of By-law No. A-0285-2000-105
By-law No. A-0307-2002-058	A by-law to provide for the cost of improvements to the Ansnorveldt water supply system to be chargeable to the Corporation of the Township of King
By-law No. A-0308-2002-059	A by-law to establish a York Region Transit Mobility Plus Service Vehicle Reserve Fund
By-law No. A-0300(a)-2002-060	A by-law to amend By-law No. A-0300-2001-111, being a by-law to govern the proceedings of Council and its Committee

Carried.

121 By-law to Appoint a Chief Administrative Officer

A recorded vote on the enactment of By-law No. A-0309-2002-061 to appoint Michael R. Garrett as the Region’s new Chief Administrative Officer, was as follows:

FOR: Barrow, Bell, Black, Cousens, Di Biase, Emmerson, Frustaglio, Hogg, Holec, Humeniuk, Jones, Landon, O’Donnell, Rosati, Scarpitti, Wheeler, Wong, Young

AGAINST: Nil

Carried Unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

122 Retirement—Chief Administrative Officer

Regional Chair Fisch pointed out that this is Chief Administrative Officer Alan Wells' last Council meeting. Alan has been the Region's Chief Administrative Officer for the past seven years and the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for a number of years before that for a total of 27 years at the Region.

The Regional Chair indicated that he would have more to say tonight at the dinner in Mr. Wells' honour. He noted that it has been a pleasure to work with Mr. Wells for the past four and a half years that Mr. Fisch has been Regional Chair, and the seven and a half years Mr. Fisch has been on Regional Council. Mr. Wells has made the Regional Chair's and Council's jobs easier with his knowledge, abilities and the great deal of work he put into working with senior staff.

Regional Chair Fisch then called on other Members of Council to say a few words about Alan Wells.

Mayor Bell thanked Mr. Wells and indicated that it had been a lot of fun and enjoyment working with him. He indicated that Alan had always been up front and straight forward with him. He congratulated Alan on mastering the complexities of his position and for doing an outstanding job.

Regional Councillor Scarpitti noted that Mr. Wells had certainly grown into the positions he has held here in the Region. This is the fastest growing region in Canada and North America. With the amount of time spent on roads, sewers and development, Mr. Wells, with his social services roots, has always remembered the human services we provide at this level of government and appreciated that we have to look after this. Mr. Wells had stood forward when dealing with controversial items and had made his views known in a professional and gentlemanly way. Regional Councillor Scarpitti thanked Alan for the years of service provided not just to Council but to the people of York Region.

Mayor Cousens pointed out that he had had the good fortune of building a personal relationship with Mr. Wells over the years. Alan is who he is because of the good people he has around him noting, in particular, his wife Anne, as being a wonderful and strong support person. Due to Mr. Wells' assistance the Region is arranging financing today for a seniors' home. Mayor Cousens also indicated that Members of Council serve our constituents better because Alan has been such a good Chief Administrative Officer and Council is going to miss him.

Regional Councillor Humeniuk indicated that Mr. Wells is a wonderful gentleman, tremendous scholar, kind, supportive and challenging. She has been impressed by Alan's tremendous ability to remember all the minute and complex details and his ability to administer human services taking the Region's residents to new heights in terms of quality of life.

Mayor Di Biase thanked Mr. Wells for being a friend to Council throughout the years. Mr. Wells had assisted Mayor Di Biase with various issues relating to Vaughan and has been a great person to work with. Mayor Di Biase thanked Alan for making Vaughan and the Region a better place to live and work.

Regional Councillor Wheeler indicated that he agreed with all of the nice things being said about Mr. Wells. He has been willing to help out with various situations that assisted the residents of Georgina. Regional Councillor Wheeler noted that Alan Wells has been great as a Chief Administrative Officer and that Council will miss him. He has built a great team that will make it easier for the new Chief Administrative Officer to step in. He thanked Alan for his good work and friendship.

Alan Wells then replied by thanking Council for all the kind words. He indicated that it has been a real pleasure to be Chief Administrative Officer here and to have several different career opportunities at the Region. He noted that Council has made his and his staff's work easier by being supportive and respectful to new ideas and changes and by not criticizing staff for not always being right. He indicated that he believed in democracy and it was great to be part of the democratic process at York Region Council. Mr. Wells added that it has been a real honour to lead the York Region staff team in delivering service.

Mr. Wells concluded by thanking Council and indicated that it has been a pleasure to serve Council.

The Members of Council and all present in the Council Chamber gave Alan Wells a standing ovation in recognition of his service to the Region.

PRIVATE SESSION

- 123** It was moved by Regional Councillor Wheeler, seconded by Mayor Bell, that Council convene in Private Session, for the purpose of considering legal, property and personnel matters.

Carried.

Council met in Private Session at 12:25 p.m. and reconvened in open Council at 12:58 p.m.

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

Carried.

It was moved by Regional Councillor Humeniuk, seconded by Mayor Cousens, that Council approve the following recommendations arising from Private Session:

124 Appointment--Associate Medical Officer of Health

1. Regional Council appoint Dr. Hamif Kassam as Associate Medical Officer of Health and Director, Public Health Programs for the Regional Municipality of York effective July 4, 2002, at the Step 5 level established for the Associate Medical Officer of Health, subject to approval by the Minister of Health and Long Term Care; and
2. Regional staff be authorized to do all things necessary to carry out the above recommendation.

Carried.

125 New Police Helicopter

1. Council endorse the acquisition of a 2001 Eurocopter EC 120 S/N 1086 police helicopter with 100 hours operational time, and that staff be authorized to issue debentures for this purpose.

Carried.

126 Non-Union Compensation

1. Council support and approve making adjustments to the non-union pay ranges in accordance with the recommendations of Wm. M. Mercer Ltd. effective September 1, 2002;
2. Council Members receive the recommended increase on the first day of the next term of office; and
3. The Region continue to re-survey its pay position at approximately the mid-point of each term of Council and adjust pay ranges for the positions which do not meet the approved pay policy, subject to review and approval during the budget approval process; and
4. The Non-Union Salary Grade Summary dated June 13, 2002 be approved.

Carried.

127 Rapid Transit Agreement

1. Regional Council authorize the execution of an agreement with an upset price of \$8.5 million with York Consortium 2002 for Stage 1 of the York Region Rapid Transit Plan;
2. The Regional Chair and Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement with York Consortium 2002 on behalf of the Regional Corporation;
3. The Stage 1 work commence immediately on the York Rapid Transit Plan in accordance with the detailed work program;
4. The reporting structure regarding the activities of the Public/Private Partnership be endorsed;
5. Regular progress reports be made to the Rapid Transit Public/Private Partnership Steering Committee and to Regional Council;
6. During the summer recess of Council, the Executive Coordinator and the Chief Administrative Officer are authorized to approve expenditures in accordance with the Purchasing By-law, and to execute any documentation required for implementation of the Stage 1 work plan, subject to such items being specified in the work plan and budget, and to report to Council on any expenditures made under this authority.

Carried.

128 BY-LAWS

It was moved by Mayor Di Biase, seconded by Mayor Jones, that Council enact the following By-laws:

By-law No. A-0310-2002-062 To provide for the appointment of an Associate Medical Officer of Health

By-law No. A-0311-2002-063 To authorize execution of an agreement with York Consortium 2002, in respect of a proposal to plan, design, finance, construct and potentially operate and maintain the York Region Rapid Transit System.

Carried.

129 CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

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

By-law No. M-0682-2002-064 To confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on June 27, 2002.

Carried.

The Council meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Regional Clerk

Minutes confirmed and adopted at the meeting of Regional Council held on the 19th day of September, 2002.

Regional Chair