

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY
OF
OTTAWA-CARLETON
COUNCIL MINUTES

The Council of the Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton met at Haydon Hall, Regional Headquarters, 111 Lisgar Street, Ottawa on Wednesday, 13 January 1999 at 1:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 1:38 p.m. and opened with the singing of the National Anthem, sung by Helen Kelly and Ian Kelly.

The Regional Chair, Robert Chiarelli, presided and lead council in prayer.

ALL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT EXCEPT COUNCILLORS BELLEMARE AND HUME.

PRESENTATIONS

Regional Chair, Robert Chiarelli called upon bus operator George Plunkett, Chair of the OC Transit Commission, Al Loney and Acting General Manager, Mike Shefflin to enter the Council ring.

Regional Chair's remarks:

"George Plunkett has been an OC Transpo operator for 27 years, and achieved 25 years of accident free driving in 1998. An excellent record -- but he says maybe he should have been a fire fighter.

In 1972, he pulled a 10-year old boy out of the burning box of a truck. In 1990, he and a friend put out an engine fire in a car on St. Laurent Boulevard, rescuing a panic-stricken man and his infant son in the process.

But his most courageous moment occurred last December 14, when he evacuated about 20 residents of an apartment building at 415 Elgin Street. He was driving Route 5 at about 6:30 a.m., stopped to pick up a passenger at Elgin and McLeod and noticed cinders flying off a fourth-floor balcony. He immediately called the control centre, asking the supervisor to alert the Ottawa Fire Department.

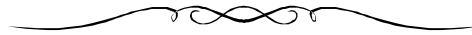
Then he raced up to the fourth floor where he started knocking on doors and yelling to occupants to alert them to the fire. He covered all four flights, a total of 16 apartments. As the residents exited, he told them to board his bus to keep warm. The fire trucks arrived as the first people ran out. Fire fighters said his fast actions to alert the Fire Department and evacuate the residents probably saved lives.

George says some of his passengers saw him on the evening news the night of the fire, and they congratulated him the next time they boarded his bus. He says he just acted on instinct, and he's sure anyone would have done the same -- at least, he hopes so. He was gratified that the building manager, Mr. Joe Overtveld, called him to thank him personally and said he had saved the building because the fire fighters were able to put out the blaze before it got into the roof.

George, you may have missed your calling as a fire fighter, but we're glad you're a bus operator. Your instinct to put the lives of others before your own safety means our customers are in excellent hands when they ride with you. Congratulations!"

OC Transpo Commission Chair Loney then presented Mr. Plunkett with a certificate of appreciation for his act of bravery in saving the residents of the apartment building from the early morning fire.

Members of Council expressed their appreciation to Mr. Plunkett.



The Regional Chair then called upon Ron Shishido, President of the Ontario Professional Planners Institute; Councillor Gord Hunter, Chair of the Planning and Environment Committee and Pamela Sweet of the Planning Department to enter the Council ring.

Regional Chair's remarks:

"With a membership of 2730, OPPI allows its full members to be registered as Professional Planners (RPP) and expects members to follow a professional code of conduct and promote the profession of Planning.

The Excellence in Planning Awards are presented each year to Planners and agencies who have made an outstanding contribution to planning in Ontario.

The new Regional Official Plan has been recognized in the Category of Planning Studies and Reports.

Accepting the award for the Region is the Chair of the Planning and Environment Committee, Councillor Gord Hunter and on behalf of the Department of Planning and Development Approvals, Pamela Sweet.”

REGIONAL CHAIR’S ANNUAL ADDRESS

Members of Regional Council and residents of Ottawa-Carleton, I am pleased to join you in looking forward optimistically to 1999 and the millennium.

Chers membres du Conseil et résidents d’Ottawa-Carleton, il me fait grandement plaisir d’entrevoir l’année 1999 et le nouveau millénaire de façon optimiste.

This year will bring tremendous opportunity and daunting challenges. 1998 proved beyond any shadow of a doubt that this Council and our administration working together and working in partnership with our community and other governments can excel.

But it is virtually impossible to look ahead to the excitement and promise of 1999 without a glance back at the storms of 1998, one real and unforgettable storm, THE ICE STORM OF THE CENTURY, and several political storms which rained down on us from Queen’s Park.

These political storms included:

Firstly - the moving target of local service re-alignment, or “downloading” as it came to be known, which challenged almost every traditional municipal service and budget as well as the patience and wisdom of every municipal and provincial politician in Ontario.

Secondly - the burdens of adjusting to, and communicating to our residents, the most complicated and continuously changing set of property assessment rules imaginable. These changes had a massive impact on residential and business property taxes.

Thirdly - this Council was forced to prepare a 1998 budget with an acknowledged minimum \$43 million of additional provincially imposed services to pay for, with information that was not provided until March of 1998.

And yes, it is instructive to reflect on the real storm, THE ICE STORM OF THE CENTURY. As I said several days ago, the 1998 ICE STORM is more than a story about weather it is a story about people, people who made heroic attempts to help each other and to prevent loss of life - a story of human ingenuity and endeavor.

The storm showed no mercy as it relentlessly ravaged our communities. But unlike broken trees and snapped power lines, the people of Ottawa-Carleton showed no signs of breaking - our people only grew in strength as the challenges and dangers worsened.

It is this strength, the strength we gained as a Council, as an administration, as a community through the ice storm of 1998 and the political storms of 1998, that will serve us well in 1999 and into the millennium.

As Chair and on behalf of the people of Ottawa-Carleton I want to say "Thank you" to Council, and to the entire administration for excelling in 1998 under the most difficult of circumstances.

We, together, have changed the tone of debate. In every instance where additional responsibilities and leadership were assumed by Council members, the outcome has been superb. We have worked with each other well - with respect - without recrimination when votes didn't go our way - constructively putting the needs of our community first.

We have also positively changed and improved our working relationships with municipal governments in the Outaouais, with the National Capital Commission and with other Federal Departments.

I want to take a moment to talk about some of the leadership shown on this Council in 1998. I want to thank all those who took on the job of working on a Chair's Task Force initiative.

Councillors Legendre and Loney found consensus with their excellent report on bilingual service;

Councillors Doucet and Hume for their leadership on a new arts game plan for the Region; and,

Councillors Munter and Meilleur for the work they are doing now on community healthcare.

Together, we are pushing ahead our community's agenda, be it light rail, economic development, green space or creating jobs. We are also dealing with unprecedented change.

This Council has been up to the challenge of massive change, massive change embarked upon by the provincial government. It should be acknowledged that many of these provincial changes needed to be made and in some cases were long overdue. The provincial budget deficit needed to be addressed and brought into a balanced position.

Ontario had to fix its antiquated property tax system. These changes caused great disruption, but they had to be done.

The spirit behind Ontario's effort to realign services, so that the most appropriate level of government is responsible and accountable for every service made sense, even though it caused great disruption. Once again this kind of realignment was needed.

Many of us disagree however with the way these changes have been implemented, the way in which the Local Services Realignment turned into the downloading of costs onto municipalities. But the effort to sort out “who does what” was, and still is, important.

Unfortunately the province’s process for achieving this important goal means in reality that significant costs have been shifted onto the Region.

But that is the reality. The province has decided to shift some of the burden to regional government and we have to pitch in.

It does no good to simply complain. Instead we should get down to business and work together to manage change, to manage the new reality.

In 1998, downloading and property tax changes hit municipalities across the province like a lightning bolt. Most municipalities could not cope - most took the easy way out and jacked-up taxes.

Some Councils, many faced with lesser challenges than our own, simply said “this is impossible - the easiest thing to do is download the download - to pass the cost to the property taxpayer and blame the Province.”

Our Council understands that property taxes are already too high. Last year we proved that we have more respect for ratepayers than to take the easy way out.

To be sure, the financial burden of downloading is daunting. It is a burden we still labor under, and will struggle with for several years.

But this Council knows that passing the buck, passing the bill, is not the answer.

That is why our region was the only Regional Government in the province that was up to the challenge of holding the line on taxes last year.

Regional taxes did not go up one nickel, and Ottawa-Carleton was the only region in the province that accomplished a tax freeze despite the turbulence and change.

It is important to take a moment and give that fact its due. Unlike the eleven other Regional Governments in the province, Ottawa-Carleton held the line on taxes.

When we started last year, holding the line on taxes seemed impossible. In December of 1997 Queen’s Park announced that Ottawa-Carleton and Toronto would be the only two communities ineligible for transition funding from the multi-year Community Reinvestment Fund, the program meant to give municipalities time to absorb the cost of downloading.

Toronto subsequently received a package to assist it while the municipality pursued savings arising from restructuring into a single city. Our Regional Council fought, along with our local members of the government caucus, for fair treatment.

There were many doubters, many who thought partnership with the provincial government and their local members would not work. But in the end Ottawa-Carleton did receive its fair share of transition assistance.

Partnership prevailed and unlike other Regions, our Council used the transition funding well - to hold the line on regional taxes.

But that was only one year. The tough work must continue. Now with a full budget year and a fresh slate we have to set new priorities and make more tough choices. Over the next several years we will have to change the mix of services we provide.

The Budget Sub-Committee has been working very hard to find cuts and efficiencies and will continue to do so. Again I want to thank Councillors van den Ham and McGoldrick-Larsen for serving as co-chairs in a hot seat.

Had it not been for the \$45 million of downloading costs, these coming cuts would have resulted in a significant tax cut for ratepayers. As it is, the work of the Budget Sub-Committee will take the first bite out of the downloading challenge.

Absorbing the cost of downloading does not however mean that our community's priorities are on hold as we prepare for the new millennium.

Far from it.

Every member of this Council has agenda items that represent the priorities of the residents who elected them. As Chair I commit myself to helping to achieve those goals, the items on your agenda as Council members.

Preparing for the new millennium, improving our quality of life, pushing forward the diversification of our local economy and sheltering ratepayers from the turbulent changes ahead will not be easy. But it is a challenge we must meet within existing budgets.

Taxpayers will not stand for incremental budgeting - we must live within our means, we must create new partnerships, and we must be innovative.

During 1999 among other important issues Regional Government will work toward some critical goals, such as:

- The creation of a budget with a 0 % property tax increase, a budget that follows the people agenda placing the needs of the those who need our help before bricks and mortar.
- The creation of a new business plan for OC Transpo after the final KPMG consultants report has been received.
- To finalize an agreement with C.P. Rail on the light rail pilot so that we can look at the efficiency of re-purposing existing infrastructure.
- To approve a new interprovincial transportation plan including a process leading to the construction new bridges links.
- To better define the Region's economic development strategy and the roles and mandate for our economic development agencies.
- To follow through to create the linkages project.
- To form the Employment Task Force, consisting of business and community leaders together, to work to move people off social assistance into employment.
- To advance the public/private partnerships evolving - to create a new/expanded convention centre at the Rideau Centre.
- To facilitate the creation of the new Canada Sports Hall of Fame in the Conference Centre.

That is a full agenda by anyone's standards. And we will have to achieve these goals while wrestling with unprecedented changes.

Il est donc possible en travaillant de concert avec la collectivité, les entrepreneurs et les autres paliers de gouvernement de pouvoir continuer de solidifié les bases afin que notre région en soit une de grande renommée, et ce dans le meilleur pays au monde. Nous ne devons viser rien de moins.

In conclusion, I refer to the old adage that “politics is the art of the possible” and that is very true. So it is possible that we, working together with our community and business partners and other levels of governments, can continue to create the foundations for the best world-class region in the best country in the world.

We should strive for nothing less.

Thank you, merci, Ciao

MOTION NO. 1

Moved by Councillor M. McGoldrick-Larsen
Seconded by Councillor A. Munter

RESOLVED THAT the Annual Address by the Regional Chair be incorporated in the Council minutes of 13 January 1999.

“CARRIED”

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Regular Council meeting of 9 December 1998 were confirmed.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ARISING FROM PRIOR MEETINGS OF COUNCIL AND COMMITTEES

See specific agenda items for declarations.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. The Honourable Jean Chrétien Prime Minister, responding to the Regional Chair’s correspondence regarding opening a portion of the Ottawa River to seasonal navigation. The Prime Minister advises of the importance of protecting and maintaining Canada’s national heritage through many historic sites and waterways. A copy of the Chair’s correspondence has been forwarded to the Honourable Sheila Copps, Minister of Canadian Heritage and the Honourable David Anderson, Minister of Fisheries and Oceans.

2. The Honourable Al Palladini, Minister of Economic Development, Trade and Tourism to the Honourable John Manley, Minister of Industry, concerning discussions for expanded convention facilities in Ottawa. The Minister understands and supports the tourism sector in Eastern Ontario and the need for expanded convention facilities. The province is also supportive of the public/private partnership approach to financing of the project. Finally, Mr. Palladini advises that he has met with the Regional Chair, expressed the Province's support and committed to the funding required for the development of a business case.
3. The Honourable Al Leach, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Honourable Elizabeth Witmer, Minister of Health to Mr. Michael Power, President of AMO, respecting Land Ambulance Services. The Ministers appreciate the efforts of AMO in reviewing alternatives to the 1997 agreement and advise that the transfer of services will proceed as planned. They are prepared to discuss other related matters including ambulance dispatch.
4. Nancy Bardecki, Director, Municipal Finance Branch, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing with respect to the establishment of a service entitled: On-line Property Tax Analysis (OPTA), to assist municipalities in meeting the limits established for business tax increases, under Bill 79. OPTA will also be enhanced to accommodate the necessary calculations to implement the maximum tax threshold and "capping" provisions of Bill 79 in addition to the system being available to address phase-ins, graduated tax rates, optional classes etc.
5. Joint letter from the Honourable Jim Wilson, Minister of Energy, Science and Technology and Michael Power President of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), with respect to the Energy Competition Act. The Act introduces competition, full customer choice and makes the Ontario Energy Board the independent regulator. The memo outlines choices that shareholders as market participants will have including the granting of commercial powers to municipal distributors.
6. The Clerk, Township of Cumberland advising Council of a resolution adopted by Cumberland Council regarding governance structure in Ottawa-Carleton. The motion supports the three city model as first choice and the four city model as second choice.
7. The Clerk, Township of Cumberland advising Council of a resolution adopted by Cumberland Council supporting the installation and use of red light cameras at intersections and the prosecution of operators of vehicles that run red lights.
8. Municipality of the town of Gorebay Ontario, providing Council with a copy of their resolution regarding GST on "additional rents". The resolution requests the Federal Government to eliminate the GST from being applied against municipal taxes applicable to business tenants.

9. Municipality of the County of Grey, providing Council with a copy of their resolution regarding Bill 79 - Fairness for Property Taxpayers Act, 1998. County Council oppose Bill 79 and request the government to immediately withdraw it in its entirety and resume discussions with AMO.
10. Association of Municipalities of Ontario providing Council with municipal alerts on the following:
 - Municipal Associations issue joint presentation on Bill 79.
 - Ontario Works expanded to the private sector.
 - AMO encourages Energy Board to review Model Gas Franchise Agreement.
11. The Clerk, Township of Osgoode advising the RMOC Planning and Development Approvals Commissioner of two resolutions adopted by their Council, relating to land severances.

The First Resolution directs staff to work with the Rural Alliance Municipalities, to develop a Term of Reference for a Request for Proposal to provide land division services for the Rural Alliance Members. The second resolution approves a proposal for the Rural Alliance Municipalities to undertake land division committee responsibilities effective 1 April 1999.

*** COMMUNICATIONS HELD ON FILE WITH THE REGIONAL CLERK.**

REGRETS

The following members of Council advising that they will be absent from Council and Committee meetings during the dates indicated:

Councillor M. Bellemare
Councillor P. Hume

8-22 January, 1999
13 January, 1999 (Regional Business)

RECONSIDERATION**MOTION NO. 2**

Moved by Councillor A. Munter
Seconded by Councillor M. McGoldrick-Larsen

RESOLVED THAT Council reconsider Motion No. 311 to amend Item 2 of Planning and Environment Committee Report No. 20 - Recognition of the Rideau Waterway as a Canadian Heritage River.

“CARRIED” with Councillors Hill and van den Ham dissenting.

MOTION NO. 311

Moved by Councillor B. Hill
Seconded by Councillor R. van den Ham

WHEREAS the Region, as stated in its Public Consultation Policy in effect since 1993, “is committed to ensuring that administrative and policy processes are open and accessible, are respectful of the public’s right to be involved, and are responsive to the public need for information”;

WHEREAS the Region, as part of its business, routinely consults and involves the residents of Ottawa-Carleton in making decisions that have a direct impact on them, over and above the Provincial legislative requirements set out in the *Planning Act*, the *Municipal Act* and the *Environmental Assessment Act*;

WHEREAS the Region, as part of its Official Plan review, notified, informed and consulted residents, community associations and stakeholder groups on all land designation and policy revisions, over and above the Provincial legislative requirements;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL not consider supporting The Canadian Heritage Rivers System’s request to recognize the Rideau Waterway, from Ottawa to Kingston, as a Canadian Heritage River, until the organization has demonstrated that it has informed and consulted the public, including land-owners along the Waterway, of this proposed designation.

“LOST on a division of 15 Nays to 2 Yeas as follows:

NAYS: Councillors Doucet, Holmes, Munter, Beamish, Stewart, Loney, Legendre, McGoldrick-Larsen, Hunter, Byrne, Davis, Kreling, Meilleur, Cantin and Chair Chiarelli....15

YEAS: Councillors Hill and van den Ham...2

As a result of Motion No. 311 being “LOST”, Council proceeded to consider Item 2 of Planning and Environment Committee Report No. 20:

**RECOGNITION OF THE RIDEAU WATERWAY
AS A CANADIAN HERITAGE RIVER**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council support the effort to have the Rideau Waterway from Ottawa to Kingston recognized as a Canadian Heritage River.

“CARRIED” with Councillors Hill and van den Ham dissenting.

MOTION TO INTRODUCE COMMITTEE REPORTS

MOTION NO. 3

Moved by Councillor H. Kreling
Seconded by Councillor R. Cantin

RESOLVED THAT Community Services Committee Report Nos. 23 and 24; Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee Report No. 29; Planning and Environment Committee Report Nos. 22 and 23 (IN CAMERA); Transportation Committee Reports No. 27 and 28 be received and considered.

“CARRIED”

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COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 231. ENDORSEMENT OF LETTERS**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

That Council endorse the attached letters to Health Minister E. Witmer, Environment Minister N. Sterling and Municipal Affairs and Housing Minister A. Leach, and;

That this information be forwarded to other regional municipalities in Ontario to seek their support.

“CARRIED”

2. PUBLIC HEALTH IMPACT OF CASINO GAMBLING AND EXPANDED GAMING - SIX-MONTH FOLLOW-UP**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receive this report for information.

“RECEIVED”

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 241. SOCIAL HOUSING UPDATE**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS, AS AMENDED**

That Council:

1. **Endorse the Draft RMO C Principles for Social Housing (contained in Annex A of the staff report) prepared by the Social Housing Working Group, with the following amendment:**

Under the heading Principles Related to Housing Policy, delete the word “all” in the third principle, so that it reads “To meet the needs of residents eligible for social housing”;

2. **Endorse the interim arrangements for Social Housing administration which have been submitted to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing for response.**

MOTION NO. 4

Moved by Councillor D. Beamish
Seconded by Councillor G. Hunter

RESOLVED THAT recommendation 1 of Item 1 of Community Services Committee Report No. 24 be deferred to the next regular Council meeting.

“CARRIED”

Recommendation 2 “CARRIED” with Councillor Hunter dissenting.

2. **BILL 81 AMBULANCE ACT AMENDMENTS**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION, AS AMENDED

WHEREAS there is considerable concern about what will happen on Jan. 1, 2000 in terms of computer malfunctions due to the Y2K “bug”, and;

WHEREAS this has prompted the mobilization of military and police to deal with potential problems related to this issue, and;

WHEREAS the transfer of responsibility for ambulance service from the Province to regional government is slated to happen on Jan. 1, 2000;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council request the Minister of Health amend the legislation to require the transfer from provincial to municipal responsibility on Feb.1, 2000, as it would be unwise to attempt to make a major turnover of the service on the very day where the functionality of computer systems is in serious doubt, and;

FURTHER that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities in Ontario and to local M.P.P.s.

“CARRIED”

**CORPORATE SERVICES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 29**

1. 1999 ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES OF ONTARIO

COUNTIES AND REGIONS CONFERENCE - OCTOBER 1999COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve a request from the Regional Caucus of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) to host their October 1999 Counties and Regions Conference in Ottawa-Carleton.

“CARRIED” with Councillor Munter dissenting.

2. **MUNSTER HAMLET - WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY - PIPELINE ROUTE SELECTION - CONSULTANT CONTRACT CA9498 - MODIFICATION**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council approve:

1. **Modification of Contract CA9498 with Conestoga-Rovers and Associates Ltd (CRA), Nepean, for the provision of engineering services to conduct a Route Selection Process for the transfer of wastewater from the Munster Hamlet facility to the Regional sewer collection system, for an additional contract authority of \$120,171;**
2. **An increase in fees in the amount of \$72,400 to allow for greater than anticipated effort on the part of the consultant, CRA, in completing the Wastewater Treatment Alternatives Evaluation Report.**

This request for additional contract authority in the amount of \$192,571 brings the revised total authority for Contract CA9498 to \$462,571.

“CARRIED” with Councillor Stewart dissenting.

3. MUNSTER HAMLET - WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY - PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION AS AMENDED

That Council approve staff enter into negotiations with the two pipeline proponents, now acting as one (Thorburn Penny Limited / Oliver, Mangione, McCalla & Associates / Taggart Construction Limited) upon filing of the addendum to the Environmental Study Report, and that any contract negotiated be awarded by the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee and Council.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Al Loney declared an interest on Item 3 of Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee Report No. 29, as a member of his family is employed with one of the firms involved in the project.

Councillor Loney did not take part in the discussion or vote on this item.

Item 3 of Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee Report No. 29 was then put to Council and “LOST” on a division of 11 Nays and 5 Yeas as follows:

NAYS: Councillors Doucet, Holmes, Munter, Hill, van den Ham, Legendre, McGoldrick-Larsen, Hunter Byrne, Davis, and Kreling...11

YEAS: Councillors Beamish, Stewart, Meilleur, Cantin and Chair Chiarelli...5

MOTION NO. 5

Moved by Councillor G. Hunter
Seconded by Councillor B. Hill

RESOLVED THAT with reference to Item 3 of Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee Report No. 29; That a decision on whether to tender the construction of a pipeline and related works (including design of the system) be deferred until the addendum has been filed.

“CARRIED” with Councillor van den Ham dissenting.

4. CASH INVESTMENTS AND LOANS RECEIVABLE
(AS AT 6 NOVEMBER 1998)

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive this report for information.

“RECEIVED”

5. TILE DRAINAGE DEBENTURES

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive this report for information.

“RECEIVED”

6. 1998 REPORT ON THE CLOSING OF CAPITAL PROJECTS

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive this report for information.

“RECEIVED”

7. 1999 INSURANCE RENEWAL

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive this report for information.

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8. CHANGES TO RESERVE FUNDSCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AS AMENDED

That Council approve:

1. the consolidation of the Sewer Depreciation, Sewer Levy Contingency, Sewer Surcharge Contingency and Sewer Maintenance Reserve Funds into the Sewer Reserve Fund;
2. the consolidation of the Transportation Equipment Replacement, Landfill Equipment Replacement and Environmental Services Equipment Replacement Reserve Funds into the Corporate Fleet Equipment Replacement Reserve Fund;
3. That Recommendation No. 3, as follows, not be approved and be deleted from the staff recommendation: The consolidation of the Child Care Capital Grant and Child Care Contingency Reserve Funds into the Child Care Reserve Fund;
4. the creation of the Regional Police Service Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Reserve Fund;
5. the creation of the Computer Hardware/Software Replacement Reserve Fund;
6. the closing of the Debenture Currency Exchange Reserve Fund;
7. the enactment or repealing of the necessary by-laws.

“CARRIED”

9. 1997 SETTLEMENT - LOCAL HEALTH AGENCIES
1998 SETTLEMENT - AIDS PROGRAM

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee recommend Council approve the 1997 Local Health Agencies and the 1998 AIDS Program Settlement submission to the Ministry of Health.

“CARRIED”

10. HIGHWAY 417/CASTLEFRANK OVERPASS AND
INTERCHANGE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT STUDY
CONSULTANT APPOINTMENT

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the appointment of Morrison Hershfield Limited to undertake the Highway 417/ Castlefrank Overpass & Interchange Environmental Assessment Study, for a total expenditure of \$145,000.

“CARRIED”

11. APPOINTMENTS: OTTAWA CONGRESS CENTRE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council approve:

- 1. The re-appointment of Mr. Lawrence Michael Malloy to the Ottawa Congress Centre Board of Directors for a three year term effective 1 January 1999 to expire on 31 December 2001;**
- 2. The appointment of Mr. Michael Teeter to the Ottawa Congress Centre Board of Directors for a three year term effective 1 January 1999 to expire on 31 December 2001.**

“CARRIED”

12. CONTRACTS APPROVED BY THE CORPORATE SERVICES AND
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY
(DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 1998)

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive this report for information.

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PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 22

1. ZONING BY-LAW APPEAL
TERRENCE JOHN WHITTY IN TRUST - PERKINS RESTAURANT
BASELINE AND WOODROFFE ROAD
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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council support the rezoning sought by Terence Whitty of Tagr3 Management Ltd. with respect to approximately 1.19 acres of vacant land being part Lot 35, Concession 2, Rideau Front, (Nepean) in the area of the intersections of Baseline and Woodroffe Roads.

“CARRIED” on a division of 12 Yeas and 3 Nays as follows:

YEAS: Councillors Doucet, Holmes, Munter, Hill, Beamish, Stewart, van den Ham, Loney, Legendre, Byrne, Kreling and Cantin...12

NAYS: Councillors McGoldrick-Larsen, Hunter, Davis...3

2. REZONING APPLICATION - BY-LAW 164/98: TEMPORARY USE,
SURFACE PARKING, 82 METCALFE ST. (AT SLATER)
-

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION AS AMENDED

No Committee Recommendation.

MOTION NO. 6

Moved by Councillor D. Holmes
Seconded by Councillor J. Legendre

RESOLVED THAT item 2 of Planning and Environment Committee Report No. 22 be tabled.

“CARRIED”

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 23

1. ZONING BY-LAW APPEAL - TERRENCE JOHN WHITTY IN TRUST PERKINS RESTAURANT - BASELINE AND WOODROFFE ROADS

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive this report for information.

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TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 27

1. BASELINE ROAD - SOUTH SIDE BUS BAY CLOSURES - PUBLIC HEARING

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Having held a public hearing, that Council approve the preliminary design for the permanent closure of the bus bays at the intersections of Baseline Road and Farlane Boulevard, Zena Street and Marson Street as illustrated on Drawing No. RT-2353.

MOTION NO. 7

Moved by Councillor R. Cantin
Seconded by Councillor G. Hunter

RESOLVED THAT item 1 of Transportation Committee Report 27 be amended to provide that the Farlane Blvd. bus bay remain on Baseline Road to allow for safer egress Eastbound on to Baseline Road.

“LOST” on a division of 9 Nays to 6 Yeas as follows:

NAYS: Councillors Doucet, Holmes, Munter, Loney, Legendre, Byrne, Davis, Meilleur, and Chair Chiarelli...9

YEAS: Councillors Stewart, van den Ham, McGoldrick-Larsen, Hunter, Kreling, and Cantin...6

Item 1 of Transportation Committee Report No. 27 was then put to Council and “CARRIED” with Councillors Cantin, Hunter, McGoldrick-Larsen and Stewart dissenting.

2. TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNAL WARRANTS - MAIN STREET AND CHURCH STREET/ WINTERGREEN DRIVE

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION AS AMENDED

That Council approve that the RMO investigate the possibility of cost-sharing the installation of traffic lights in the rural municipalities (i.e. Osgoode, Goulbourn, West Carleton and Rideau) when a traffic control signal is not warranted (according to the present established criteria) but requested by the municipality for safety reasons.

“CARRIED”

3. LEGAL AUTHORITY TO PERFORM CIVIC ADDRESSING

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve that the 9-1-1 Management Board be requested to form a sub-committee of all interested parties to examine present civic addressing practices in Ottawa-Carleton (home and business) with recommendations to the Board, the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee, Regional Council and local municipal councils and committees.

“CARRIED”

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 28

1. 1999 ST.PATRICK’S DAY PARADE

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION AS AMENDED

That Council approve that the St. Patrick’s Day Parade be allowed to use Bank Street to Lansdowne Park for this year’s event.

“CARRIED” with Councillor Doucet dissenting.

2. DONATION STATIONSCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AS AMENDED

That Council approve the donation station permit conditions as described in the body of this report, as amended by the following:

1. That participants be over the age of 18 years.
2. That staff be directed to discuss with OC Transpo the means whereby access to their facilities might be granted to charitable groups for the purpose of establishing donation stations and that staff consult with the Société de transport de l'Outaouais (STO) on their experience with access being granted to the buses for each purpose. That a report come back to the Transit Services Committee with recommendations prior to June 1999.
3. That participants be allowed to enter the roadway.
4. That traffic cones be permitted to direct traffic toward the donation station.
5. An event can be conducted between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. and between 3:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Monday to Friday.
6. Events should occur during daylight hours.

MOTION NO. 8

Moved by Councillor D. Holmes

Seconded by Councillor J. Legendre

RESOLVED THAT item 2 of Transportation Committee Report No. 28 be referred back to the Transportation Committee save and except for recommendation 2.

“CARRIED” on a division of 9 Yeas to 5 Nays as follows:

YEAS: Councillors Doucet, Holmes, Munter, Loney, Legendre, Hunter, Byrne, Davis and Chair Chiarelli...9

NAYS: Councillors Stewart, McGoldrick-Larsen, Kreling, Meilleur and Cantin...5

Recommendation 2 was then put to Council and “CARRIED”.

3. ACCESS/EGRESS AT THE TIM HORTON'S ON FALLOWFIELD ROADCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve that the no left turn restrictions on Fallowfield Road at Tim Horton's be during peak hours only and that staff monitor this area and report back in the spring.

“CARRIED” with Councillor Byrne dissenting.

MOTION TO ADOPT COMMITTEE REPORTS**MOTION NO. 9**

Moved by Councillor G. Hunter

Seconded by Councillor W. Stewart

RESOLVED THAT Community Services Committee Reports Nos. 23 and 24; Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee Report No. 29; Planning and Environment Committee Reports Nos. 22 and 23; Transportation Committee Reports Nos. 27 and 28 be received and adopted as amended by Motion No. 5; with Recommendation 1 of Item 1 of Community Services Committee Report No. 24 being deferred (see Motion No. 4); with Item 3 of Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee Report No. 29 being “LOST”; with Item 2 of Planning and Environment Committee Report 22 being “TABLED” (see Motion No. 6) and with Recommendations 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of Item 2 of Transportation Committee Report No. 28 being “REFERRED BACK” to Transportation Committee (See Motion No. 8).

“CARRIED” with declarations of interest and dissents as recorded on various items.

MOTION TO INTRODUCE BY-LAWS**MOTION NO. 10**

Moved by Councillor A. Loney
Seconded by Councillor W. Byrne

RESOLVED THAT the following by-laws be enacted and passed.

By-law 1 of 1999 to approve area municipality by-laws regulating traffic on local streets as follows:

**Township of Cumberland 76-98
City of Gloucester 246 of 1998
City of Nepean 124-98.**

By-law 2 of 1999 to establish the Sewer Reserve Fund.

By-law 3 of 1999 to establish the Corporate Fleet Equipment Replacement Reserve Fund.

By-law 4 of 1999 to establish the Regional Police Service and Equipment Replacement Reserve Fund.

By-law 5 of 1999 to establish the Computer Hardware and Software Replacement Reserve Fund.

By-law 6 of 1999 to authorize the levy of sums required for the repayment of debenture number 99-1 (issued in the amount of \$48,400.00 to aid in the construction of tile drainage works in The Corporation of the Township of Osgoode and the Corporation of the Township of Rideau).

“CARRIED”

By-laws enacted and passed.

MOTIONS (OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY GIVEN)**MOTION NO. 11**

Moved by Councillor W. Byrne
Seconded by Councillor J. Legendre

WHEREAS the Canadian banking industry is a federally regulated industry that has been built with the capital of Canadians and has historically flourished under the protection of federal regulation; and

WHEREAS it is vital to the Canadian economy and the prosperity and security of Canadians that the financial services industry remain stable, sustainable, and accessible; and

WHEREAS bank branches are disappearing from communities, and in some cases being replaced by electronic banking which does not meet the needs of many Canadians; and

WHEREAS small and medium sized businesses, which provide 80% of new jobs in Canada, already have problems obtaining reasonable credit from banks and need more access to credit based on local bank decision making; and

WHEREAS the proposed mergers of Canada's four biggest banks into two megabanks will result in a concentration of economic power detrimental to federal regulation of the industry, accountability and customer and commercial choice, and that there is no proof that megabanks will bring benefits or better services to Canadians; and

WHEREAS the collapse of megabanks could seriously harm the Canadian economy; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton urge the federal government to:

- **Refuse the proposed bank mergers as unnecessary and not in the best interests of Canadians.**
- **Enact legislation that ensures banks are accountable to Canadian communities by establishing service and lending benchmarks guaranteed by enforceable undertakings.**
- **Enact legislation that guarantees everyone living in Canada an account with a deposit taking institution, including the option of a low cost, no frills account and protection from arbitrary and excessive holding of checks, regardless of income, age or handicap.**

- **Enact legislation that forces the banks to fund a truly independent ombudsperson with the power to make binding rulings.**

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Dan Beamish declared an interest on Motion No. 11 as his wife is employed with one of the banks involved in proposed mergers.

Councillor Beamish did not take part in the discussion or vote on this matter.

At the request of the Mover and Seconder and with consent of Council, Motion No. 11 was “WITHDRAWN”.

MOTIONS

MOTION NO. 12

Moved by Councillor D. Holmes
Seconded by Councillor M. Meilleur

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the rules of procedure be suspended in order that Council may consider a motion with respect to the dedication of the Central Rotunda in the Ottawa-Carleton Centre.

“CARRIED”

MOTION NO. 13

Moved by Councillor Diane Holmes
Seconded by Councillor Madeleine Meilleur

WHEREAS Regional Headquarters which combines the Ottawa Teacher’s College Heritage building with the Carleton Building named the “Centre Ottawa-Carleton Centre”, was officially opened by his excellency the Governor General, in May, 1990;

AND WHEREAS the Centre Ottawa-Carleton Centre includes the Rotunda located on the main level, comprising the central core of the building;

AND WHEREAS the central rotunda has never been officially dedicated as a unique component of the Centre Ottawa-Carleton Centre;

AND WHEREAS Jean Pigott is a member of one of Ottawa's earliest and distinguished families;

AND WHEREAS Jean Pigott has dedicated her life to one of service for the betterment of the citizens of Ottawa-Carleton;

AND WHEREAS during a long and illustrious career, Jean Pigott has been and continues to be involved in many areas of service, including member of Parliament, Chair, National Capital Commission, Chair, Ottawa Congress Centre and most recently, Co-Chair, Disaster Relief Committee;

AND WHEREAS Jean Pigott has tirelessly and successfully promoted the interests of the Ottawa-Carleton Region as well as the National Capital Region, ensuring to the greatest extent possible, that its' vision and goals were realized;

AND WHEREAS under her various stewardships, she has brought distinguished recognition to our community;

AND WHEREAS Regional Council is desirous of honouring Jean Pigott for her lifetime of service to her community;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the central Rotunda in the Centre Ottawa-Carleton Centre be officially named PLACE JEAN PIGOTT PLACE.

“CARRIED”

MOTION NO. 14

Moved by Councillor R. van den Ham
Seconded by Councillor A. Loney

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the rules of procedure be suspended in order that Council may consider a motion with respect to the 1999 Budget review.

“CARRIED”

MOTION NO. 15

Moved by Councillor R. van den Ham
Seconded by Councillor A. Loney

RESOLVED THAT the 1999 Budget Review Schedule adopted by Council on 9 December 1998 be amended so that Budget Review occur on the following dates:

Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee	Tuesday, 2 February 1999
Transit Services Committee	Wednesday, 3 February 1999
Transportation Committee	Friday, 5 February 1999
Planning and Environment Committee	Tuesday, 9 February 1999
Community Services Committee	Thursday, 11 February 1999
Regional Council Budget	Wednesday, 24 February 1999

“CARRIED”

CONFIRMATION BY-LAW**MOTION NO. 16**

Moved by Councillor M. Meilleur
Seconded by Councillor L. Davis

RESOLVED THAT By-law 7 of 1999 to confirm the proceedings of Council be enacted and passed.

“CARRIED”

By-law enacted and passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

CLERK

CHAIR