



## **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

### **MINUTES 13-002**

**9:30 a.m.**

**Monday, February 4, 2013**

**Council Chambers**

**Hamilton City Hall**

**71 Main Street West**

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**Present:** Councillor L. Ferguson (Chair), T. Whitehead (Vice-Chair)  
C. Collins, T. Jackson, S. Merulla, R. Pasuta, R. Powers,  
B. McHattie, S. Duvall

**Also Present:** Councillor M. Pearson

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#### **THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:**

**1. Installation of Bicycle Racks/Storage at Municipal Facilities (PW13004) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

**(McHattie/Jackson)**

- (a) That the City's public-use facilities lacking a suitable bike rack, as identified in Appendix "A" to Report PW13004, have an appropriate bike rack installed,
- (b) That the installations identified in Recommendation (a) of Report PW13004 be funded from Transit Capital Reserve #108025 to an upset limit of \$20K,
- (c) That going forward, the City continues the standard practice of having the Department responsible for any facility be responsible for the provision of bike storage at the facility;

**CARRIED**

**2. Wastewater Abatement Program Changes and Sanitary Surcharge and Wastewater Abatement By-law No. 03-272 Amendments (PW13006) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)**

**(Powers/Whitehead)**

- (a) That staff be directed to amend the City of Hamilton Wastewater Abatement Program to reflect that the calculation used for determining potential eligibility

for the program shall include water provided from the municipal water supply only;

- (b) That the City of Hamilton's Sanitary Surcharge and Wastewater Abatement By-law No. 03-272 be amended to reflect item (a) above, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.
- (c) That the Director of Hamilton Water and the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be authorized and directed to discontinue receiving any new applications for an Abatement under the The Sanitary Surcharge and Wastewater Abatement By-law until after the By-law is amended in accordance with subsection (b).

**CARRIED as Amended**

**3. Small Equipment Manufacturer's Standardization Renewal (PW08029a) (City Wide) (Item 8.4)**

**(McHattie/Pasuta)**

- (a) That a five-year extension for "Stihl" equipment as a manufacturer's standard for the purchase of string and hedge trimmers, chainsaws, leaf blowers, multi-purpose "Kombi" system engines and attachments, and other commercial grade small equipment for the Public Works Department be approved;
- (b) That a five-year extension for "Honda" equipment as a manufacturer's standard for the purchase of walk behind lawnmowers, generators, water pumps, and engine components for lawn edgers, aerating equipment, rototillers, compactors, debris loaders, walk-behind leaf blowers, and other commercial grade small equipment for the Public Works Department be approved;
- (c) That staff be authorized to negotiate "house accounts" for the supply of equipment and repair and maintenance service with "Stihl" and "Honda" manufacturers and/or licensed distributors of the approved equipment standards.

**Comment:** Included recommended changes from Iris Tesch.

**CARRIED**

**FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:**

**(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)**

The Committee Clerk advised of the following changes to the agenda:

- (i) Delegation Request by Annamarie Gagno respecting the issue of Fare Parity and current abuses to the Voluntary Pay Policy (Added Item 4.1)

**(Powers/Merulla)**

That the February 4, 2013 Public Works Committee Agenda be approved, as amended.

**CARRIED**

**(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)**

There were no declarations of interest.

**(c) MINUTES (Item 3)**

**(i) January 16, 2013 (Item 3.1)**

**(Jackson/McHattie)**

That the Minutes of the January 16, 2013 Public Works Committee meeting be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

**(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)**

**(i) Delegation Request by Annamarie Gagno respecting the issue of Fare Parity and current abuses to the Voluntary Pay Policy (Added Item 4.1)**

**(Powers/Pasuta)**

That the Delegation Request by Annamarie Gagno respecting the issue of Fare Parity and current abuses to the Voluntary Pay Policy, be approved.

**CARRIED**

**(e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)**

**(i) Minutes of Various Sub-Committee (FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY) (Item 5.1)**

**(Powers/Pasuta)**

That the following Advisory and Sub-committee Minutes be received for information:

(a) Glanbrook Landfill Coordinating Committee – November 26, 2012

(b) Clean City Liaison Committee – December 11, 2012

**CARRIED**

**(ii) Halton-Hamilton Source Water Protection Committee – September 11, 2012 (Item 5.2)**

**(Powers/Pasuta)**

That the Minutes of the Halton-Hamilton Source Water Protection Committee's September 11, 2012 meeting be received.

**CARRIED**

**(f) PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS (Item 6)**

**(i) Delegation by Alex Sears respecting improvements and changes to the City of Hamilton (Item 6.1)**

Alex Sears addressed the Committee respecting a wide range of recommended improvements and changes to the City of Hamilton. Mr. Sears provided committee members with a handout outlining his recommendations. A copy of the handout has been included in the official record.

**(Merulla/Collins)**

That the recommendations presented by Alex Sears be referred to staff for investigation and a Report back to the Public Works Committee and that Mr. Sears be notified when the Report comes forward to Committee.

**CARRIED**

**(Merulla/Collins)**

That the presentation by Alex Sears respecting improvements and changes to the City of Hamilton, be received.

**CARRIED**

**(ii) Delegation by Sonny Ross respecting horticultural practices and waste in the City of Hamilton (Item 6.2)**

Sonny Ross addressed the Committee respecting horticultural practices and waste. Mr. Ross also spoke about the impact of charging a full HSR Fare to those with disabilities.

**(Collins/McHattie)**

That the presentation by Sonny Ross respecting horticultural practices and waste in the City of Hamilton be received and referred to staff.

**CARRIED**

**(g) PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)**

**(i) Public Works Departmental Overview (No Copy) (Item 7.1)**

Gerry Davis, General Manager, Public Works addressed the Committee with the aid of a Powerpoint presentation. A copy of the presentation has been included in the official record.

Committee members asked questions respecting the Public Works restructuring. Staff clarified the relationships between the newly form divisions and outlined how issues of joint divisional responsibility will be handled.

**(Jackson/Pasuta)**

That the presentation respecting the Public Works Departmental Overview, be received.

**CARRIED**

**(ii) Traffic Division (No Copy) (Item 7.2)**

Martin White, Manager, Traffic Operations addressed the Committee with the aid of a Powerpoint presentation. A copy of the presentation has been included in the official record.

Committee members asked questions about the strategic direction of the Traffic division. They discussed including the comments of citizens and Councillors within the overall engineering assessment and attributing value to these comments.

**(Jackson/Pasuta)**

That the presentation respecting the Traffic Division, be received.

**CARRIED**

**(h) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)**

**(i) Transit Bus Shelter Expansion Plan (PW13005) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)**

**(Powers/Jackson)**

That Report PW13005 respecting Transit Bus Shelter Expansion Plan be tabled to the next Public Works Committee meeting for clarification on the Provincial Tax Funding.

**CARRIED**

**(ii) Wastewater Abatement Program Changes and Sanitary Surcharge and Wastewater Abatement By-law No. 03-272 Amendments (PW13006) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)**

**(Powers/Whitehead)**

That the Motion be amended through the addition of a sub-section (c) to read as follows:

- (c) That the Director of Hamilton Water and the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be authorized and directed to discontinue receiving any new applications for an Abatement under the

The Sanitary Surcharge and Wastewater Abatement By-law until after the By-law is amended in accordance with subsection (b).

**Amendment CARRIED**

For disposition on this matter refer to Item 2.

**(iii) Small Equipment Manufacturer's Standardization Renewal (PW08029a)  
(City Wide) (Item 8.4)**

Committee members requested that staff work with Procurement staff to introduce more pilot projects for alternative equipment providers.

**(i) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)**

**(i) Outstanding Business List (Item 11.1)**

(a) Items Requiring Approval for Removal:

**(Powers/Pasuta)**

That the following item be marked complete and removed from the Outstanding Business List:

Item N - Installation of Bicycle Racks / Storage at Municipal Facilities

**CARRIED**

(b) Items Requiring Revised Due Dates:

**(Powers/Pasuta)**

That the following Revised Due Dates be approved:

Item E - Region of Halton Discussions for Processing of Source Separated Organics

Due Date: March 18, 2013

Revised Due Date: April 22, 2013

Item F - Correspondence Central Neighbourhood Association

Due Date: April 22, 2013

Revised Due Date: June 3, 2013

Item H - Winter Control Program Service Levels

Due Date: February 4, 2013

Revised Due Date: March 18, 2013

Item I - Winter Control Activation Levels

Due Date: February 4, 2013

Revised Due Date: March 18, 2013

Item K - Improved identification of Through Streets  
Due Date: February 4, 2013  
Revised Due Date: April 22, 2013

**CARRIED**

**(j) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL**

**(i) Closed Session Minutes – January 16, 2013**

**(Powers/Jackson)**

That the Closed Session Minutes of January 16, 2013, be approved and remain confidential.

**CARRIED**

**(k) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)**

**(Jackson/Powers)**

That, there being no further business, the Public Works Committee be adjourned at 12:33 p.m.

**CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor L. Ferguson, Chair  
Public Works Committee

Andy Grozelle  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk