MINUTES

CORPORATE SERVICES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF OTTAWA-CARLETON

CHAMPLAIN ROOM

03 OCTOBER 2000

3:00 P.M.

<u>PRESENT</u>

- Chair: R. Chiarelli
- Members: D. Beamish, R. Cantin, B. Hill, G. Hunter, P. Hume, A. Loney, M. Meilleur, W. Stewart

REGRETS

R. van den Ham

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

That the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee confirm the Minutes of the 19 September 2000 meeting.

CARRIED

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations were filed.

Notes: 1. Underlining indicates new or amended recommendations approved by Committee.

2. Items 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 11 and 12 (as indicated with ***) require Transition Board Approval following Council consideration.

3. Reports requiring Council consideration will be presented on 11 October 2000 in Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee Report No. 77.

REGULAR ITEMS

ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORTATION

1. WORKING SAFELY ABOVE FLOOR LEVEL PROGRAM ROBERT O. PICKARD ENVIRONMENTAL CENTRE AND PUMPING STATIONS, CONTRACT NO. WEPD00-78

- Environment and Transportation Deputy Commissioner's report dated 13 Sep 00

That the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee and Council award Contract No. WEPD00-78 to Harmer Podolak Engineering Consultants Inc., Nepean, to conduct a condition inspection and develop an inspection and maintenance program for equipment and infrastructure used when working above floor level at 17 pumping stations and selected below ground level locations at the Robert O. Pickard Environmental Centre for a total contract provision of \$67,980.

CARRIED

2. WELLINGTON STREET CPR OVERPASS REHABILITATION CONSULTANT APPOINTMENT (ETL00-7046)

- Environment and Transportation Deputy Commissioner's report dated 21 Sep 00

Mr. David Jeanes, Transport 2000, stated the Wellington Street CPR bridge was at the exact location of the proposed light rail transit station. He presented slide images of the bridge and its vicinity in connection with the light rail project. In reference to the Hintonburg community, Mr. Jeanes reviewed the paths used for access to the transitway or light rail stations.

With respect to the public consultation process, Mr. Jeanes stated it was then suggested to be advantageous to combine the necessary bridge rehabilitation with other improvements such as providing a better access from the sidewalk to the proposed light rail project. He explained that a short set of steps would provide a simple pathway and access that would be beneficial to the local community. The speaker emphasized this was an excellent opportunity in the planning of how to repair the damaged abutments. Mr. Jeanes reiterated the community need and benefit as outlined during the public consultation process.

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In closing, Mr. Jeanes noted the proposed 2001 construction season and the chance of severe disruption during the initial months of the light rail service at the Bayview Station. He emphasized the need that the project timing be conducted in a way that there was no negative impact on the light rail project.

Councillor Meilleur moved two amendments to the report recommendation.

Councillor Cantin inquired on the timing and if the repairs could be completed prior to the opening of the light rail system. M. Sheflin, Environment and Transportation Commissioner, acknowledged it would be a fairly complicated project. However, he explained the project would be co-ordinated in order that it proceeds successfully. Mr. Sheflin noted the recommended consultant was also involved in the light rail project and therefore familiar with the issues. The Commissioner reviewed phase one, that being the detailed condition inspection that would outline the priorities. He stated the construction would commence following the completion of phase one.

Councillor Hunter referenced Councillor Meilleur's amendments. He stated they represented a change in scope of one project, was choosing one isolated part of the light rail project, and shifting the cost into another budget envelope. With respect to the costs for the light rail pilot project, Councillor Hunter expressed his concern with the lack of information available and wondered if they were within budget. He reviewed the costs of the two-year pilot project as follows: originating at \$10 million, increased to \$16 million and now approaching \$30 million when including operating expenses. Councillor Hunter did not support adding extras without knowing what the basics were costing.

With respect to the recommended consultant, Councillor Hunter expressed concern that they were chosen due to their involvement/familiarity with the light rail project. He noted the report did not reference this need under the criteria. Mr. Sheflin confirmed that was only one criteria and the consultant was required to show they were capable of completing the work and had experienced staff available.

With respect to Councillor Meilleur's amendment, Councillor Loney suggested replacing the word "avoid" with the word "minimize" as a precaution. Councillor Meilleur agreed to this friendly amendment.

Councillor Davis referenced the Meilleur amendment. Mr. Sheflin confirmed there would be additional costs as a result. He stated in the past Council had sought to improve pedestrian access on similar projects. Mr. Sheflin added staff would be reporting back on the required detailed design and costs associated. He did not believe at this time that it would be a major adjustment.

Speaking to the public delegation, Councillor Davis believed the proposed steps might be an impediment to some people. Mr. Jeanes referenced the Heron Station that consisted of steps and a pathway, therefore offering a choice. He stated the same design was proposed here.

Councillor Holmes commented that for different and usually valid reasons, there have been other missed opportunities with some transitway stations to connect to abutting residential areas. However, she believed this project represented an opportunity and urged Committee to support the Meilleur amendments. The Councillor reviewed the benefits to the community, such as ease of access and increased rider ship and pedestrian commuters.

Chair Chiarelli reported there were 29 kilometers of transitway. In speaking to the capital expenditures, he pointed out the costs of buses and other operating expenses were not added to the capital cost. With respect to the capital costs for the light rail project, in comparison to transitway project, he pointed out they should not include trains and other operating costs. He stated the \$10 million capital cost from the 1997 official plan was not over budget and did not include vehicles.

In closing, Chair Chiarelli thanked the public delegation for their continued support and commitment. He stated their experience, involvement and partnership was valuable and essential to the success of the pilot project.

Councillor Davis reviewed other adjacent communities that would benefit from this improved access. The Councillor noted the continued support for light rail that has been expressed over the years from the Hintonburg and Laroche Park communities. She urged the Committee to support the Meilleur amendments. In closing, Councillor Davis reviewed the growing support in the community for light rail, the eventual development of LeBreton, and the need for appropriate planning.

Chair Chiarelli requested comment with respect to the financial implications of the amendments. The Environment and Transportation Commissioner explained following the detailed inspection, a project budget would be developed, at which time they would be in the position to comment on the overall costs.

Chair Chiarelli referenced the Cummings Bridge rehabilitation. He explained as a result of community involvement, steps were added to the west side embankment. Mr. Sheflin agreed this was a similar comparison and confirmed that additional cost had been accommodated from within the existing budget.

Moved by Councillor Meilleur

That the bridge rehabilitation be managed so as to minimize any impact on passengers during the Light Rail Pilot Project.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Meilleur

That the east abutment repair include provision of a pedestrian pathway under the bridge, to link the Bayview Light Rail and Bus Transitway station to the south sidewalk by steps and a path.

CARRIED (G. Hunter dissented)

The Committee then considered the report recommendation as amended.

That the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee and Council approve the appointment of Morrison Hershfield, Ottawa, to provide professional engineering services for the Wellington Street CPR Overpass rehabilitation, for a total contract provision of \$97,885.74, <u>as amended by the following:</u>

<u>That the bridge rehabilitation be managed so as to minimize any impact on passengers</u> <u>during the Light Rail Pilot Project, and</u>

That the east abutment repair include provision of a pedestrian pathway under the bridge, to link the Bayview Light Rail and Bus Transitway station to the south sidewalk by steps and a path.

CARRIED <u>as amended</u> (G. Hunter dissented)

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3. NEW PROVINCIAL DRINKING WATER REGULATIONS *** FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- Environment and Transportation Deputy Commissioner's report dated 19 Sep 00

Councillor Cantin inquired if staff expected any provincial funding, noting the regulations were a product of the Provincial Ministry. Andre Proulx, Director, Water Division, Environment and Transportation, stated the Province indicated some funds would be made available. However, he added the guidelines were not yet available and it was unlikely Ottawa-Carleton, being a large municipality, would receive funding.

Councillor Meilleur referenced the Province's inspection role. Mr. Proulx confirmed the inspections by the Ministry of Environment would continue, noting they had again started to conduct the annual inspection and would continue to do. He explained the regulations set out that annual inspections were required and municipalities were to use consultants on their behalf. Noting staff layoffs at the Province in this area, Councillor Meilleur expressed hesitation that the Provincial responsibilities would actually be upheld over time. She expressed concern that the ratepayer would be required to pay for additional Provincial requirements, noting the chance of decease in service as a result.

M. Sheflin, Environment and Transportation Department, stated Council must rely on its staff to ensure the community was protected with quality water.

Councillor Hunter inquired what value added if any, could the water customers expect as a result of the expenditures required under the regulations. Mr. Proulx stated with respect to water quality, there would be no change; objectives were changed to standards and the Corporation continues to meet those standards. With respect to the dissemination of information to the public, he explained the only real benefit to the public was more accessible up-dated information available through the website. Mr. Proulx stated otherwise the overall impact of the regulations was minimal, except the financial costs that would be incurred.

With respect to the unfortunate Walkerton incident, Councillor Hunter wondered if it was really a lack of reporting that caused the problem. He suggested the real issue was a lack of commitment to quality standard or human error. The Councillor wished the municipality could

spend the funds to ensure the operators were functioning at the highest quality and skill available, and knew the importance of their individual functions to the overall system. In closing, Councillor Hunter wondered if the reporting of repetitive

detail and the costs associated may be counterproductive as it may provide a false sense of security. He stated it was the Region's reports and standards that were more important than relying on another body to carry out the inspection process. Mr. Sheflin confirmed the Corporation was meeting the provincial requirement for reporting, however, was exceeding Provincial and Federal standards for water quality.

Councillor Stewart acknowledged the regulations were an expensive level of comfort, however, expressed her support for their need. She believed the taxpayers would benefit from this comfort level, with reference to the Carleton Lodge facility as an example. The Councillor emphasized water quality was fundamental to the quality of life and an absolute necessity.

In response to a question from Councillor Cantin, Mr. Proulx reviewed the statistics associated with annual / daily water analyses, including analyses at the water plant, the source water (river) and throughout the distribution system. Mr. Sheflin stated, in particular with the Walkerton incident, the high quantity of testing was unquestionable and necessary.

That the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee and Council approve:

- 1. The establishment of new authority in the Water Division 2000 Operating Budget in the amount of \$45,500 to be transferred from the Water Reserve Fund to accommodate the operating costs associated with the implementation of the new Provincial Drinking Water Regulations;
- 2. The establishment of new capital authority in the amount of \$630,000 to be transferred from the Water Capital Reserve Fund for the Drinking Water Protection Regulatory Changes, Project #900602, to accommodate expected one-time costs associated with the implementation of the new Provincial Drinking Water Regulations;
- 3. That, due to time constraints, the Environment and Transportation Deputy Commissioner be delegated the authority to approve consulting engineering contracts associated with the implementation of the new Provincial Drinking

Water Regulations, subject to the availability of funds as identified in this report.

CARRIED

HOMES FOR THE AGED / FINANCE

4. CAPITAL GRANT REQUESTS: *** TOWNSHIP OF OSGOODE CARE CENTRE VILLA MARCONI LONG TERM CARE CENTRE THE SALVATION ARMY MONFORT HOSPITAL

> - Joint Homes for the Aged Commissioner and A/Finance Commissioner's report dated 18 Sep 00

That the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee and Council approve:

- 1. A capital grant to the Township of Osgoode Care Centre in the amount of \$318,750 for the construction of an addition of 30 long-term care beds to their existing facility;
- 2. A capital grant to Villa Marconi Long Term Care Centre in the amount of \$680,000 for the construction of an addition of 64 long-term beds to their existing facility;
- 3. A capital grant to The Salvation Army in the amount of \$1,360,000 for the construction of a new 128 bed long-term care facility;
- 4. A capital grant to the Monfort Hospital in the amount of \$1,360,000 for the construction of a new 128 bed long-term care facility;
- 5. That these grants be made upon the receipt of documentation from the Ministry of Health of the Province of Ontario that the projects have been completed, and that the Ministry has commenced their capital funding contribution of \$10.35 per bed as per the agreements signed with the Ministry by each of the grant recipients.

CARRIED

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS

5. SALE OF SURPLUS – S/E CORNER OF BASELINE AND *** WOODROFFE, OTTAWA AND NEPEAN

- Planning and Development Approvals Commissioner's report dated 15 Sep 00

That the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee recommend Council:

- Declare approximately 1.36 hectares of land, described as being Part of Lot 35, Concession 2 (R.F.) and part of the Road Allowance between Concessions 1 & 2 (R.F.), former Township of Nepean, now City of Nepean, being Parts 1, 3 & 6, Plan 4R-13767 and Parts 1 & 2, Plan 4R-15986 shown on Annex "A" as surplus to the Region's needs;
- 2. Authorize the Region's Legal Department to proceed with preparing a by-law to stop up and close the portion of Regional Road identified in Recommendation 1 as Parts 1 & 2, Plan 4R-15986;
- 3. Approve, for a consideration of \$700,000, the sale of the property identified in Recommendation 1, to Harry Leikin Holdings Limited, subject to the successful completion of the road closure, retaining all required easements, and subject to Harry Leiken Holdings Limited entering into an agreement that indemnifies the Region from from any and all claims whatsoever and provides access to the public to Shoppers City West, until October 31, 2001, and provides for the maintenance and repair of Old Woodroffe.

CARRIED (R. Cantin dissented)

6. SALE OF SURPLUS REGIONAL ROAD 5 & 5A, GOULBOURN

- Planning and Development Approvals Commissioner's report dated 15 Sep 00

That the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee recommend Council:

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> 1. Declare a vacant parcel of land approximately 870 square metres in area, described as being Part of Lot 24, Concession 11, Township of Goulbourn, shown as Parcel "B" on Annex "A" as surplus to the Region's needs;

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- 2. Authorize the Region's Legal Department to proceed with preparing a by-law to stop up and close the portion of Regional Road identified in Recommendation 1;
- 3. Approve the sale of the property identified in Recommendation 1, to McDonald-Cartier Developments Ltd., subject to the successful completion of the road closure and subject to all required easements, for the amount of \$35,000.

CARRIED

7. LEASE RENEWAL, 179 CLARENCE STREET, OTTAWA ***

- Planning and Development Approvals Commissioner's report dated 18 Sep 00

That the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee approve:

- 1. the renewal of an existing lease for 7,991.5 square feet of office space for the Sexual Health Clinic at 179 Clarence Street with HSBC Trust Company (Canada) for 5 years from December 14, 2000 to December 13, 2005 at an annual cost of \$147,850.00 plus GST, and;
- 2. the leasing of an additional 2,835.2 square feet of floor space adjacent to the Sexual Health Clinic from HSBC Trust Company (Canada), for 5 years from December 14, 2000 to December 13, 2005, at an annual cost of \$52,450.00 plus GST, and initial fit-up costs of up to \$45,000.00 including PST and GST.

CARRIED

8. PROPERTY ACQUISITION *** SOUTHWEST TRANSITWAY EXTENSION

> - Planning and Development Approvals Commissioner's report dated 20 Sep 00

That the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee approve the acquisition of lands in fee simple containing approximately 1.324 ha from 845468 Ontario Inc., required in connection with the construction of the Southwest Transitway Extension, being Part of Lot 16, Concession 2, (RF) City of Nepean, for a total consideration of \$261,700.00 plus G. S. T.

CARRIED

9. LEASE RENEWAL ***

ANDY BEARS FOOD SERVICES INC., 111 LISGAR

- Planning and Development Approvals Commissioner's report dated 18 Sep 00

Further to a request from the Planning and Development Approvals Department, this item was withdrawn from the agenda.

That the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee approve the renewal of a lease between the Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton and Andy Bears Food Services Inc., involving 1302 square feet of floor space in the Ottawa-Carleton Centre for a further term of five years, at an annual, minimum rent of \$21,000.00 plus GST.

WITHDRAWN

REGIONAL CLERK

10. 2001 NOKIA BRIER - CANADIAN MEN'S CURLING

CHAMPIONSHIP – MARCH 3 – 11, 2001 GRANT REQUEST OUTSIDE REGULAR PROCESS

- Regional Clerk's report dated 26 Sep 00

Councillor Stewart inquired on the timing of the late application. Mr. Jim Young, Chair, confirmed they were awarded the event one year ago. However, he explained that part of the procedure was to attend the previous event held in early March 2000 in order to review the activities and review how to support them in Ottawa. Mr. Young stated that based on the 2000 event, it was determined that the City could support the event in several ways that were beneficial to the event and the City. Mr. Young confirmed there were earlier discussions with the Region; however, they waited until after attending the 2000 event to submit their application.

Councillor Stewart referenced the economic impact of \$10 million and approximately 5000 room nights, and inquired about the breakdown of the generated income. Mr. Young stated by examining past studies, this figure was determined. He pointed out it was not only visitors to the Capital, but also the curling community within the Ottawa Valley.

With respect to the requested \$75,000, J. Barbeau, Director, Corporate Programs and Administration, confirmed transportation costs were approximately \$45,000 for the OC Transpo service. She pointed out OC Transpo did not have funding to accommodate this type of event; therefore, funding was coming from the Transportation operating budget. With respect to remaining funds, M. Sheflin, Environment and Transportation, confirmed funding was available in the Transportation budget. He added it was not permitted to close with a deficit at year-end.

Chair Chiarelli referenced municipal support for previous events. Mr. Young stated Edmonton provided transportation services and the host city for the 2002 event planned to request approximately \$200,000.

With respect to previous events, Mr. Young stated the most common concern expressed was over transportation, sometimes to a point of judging the success of the event on this component. He emphasized it was very important for visitors / participates to have easy, reliable access to the facility and around the city.

Councillor Cantin inquired about acknowledgment for the sponsorship and the option to host the opening or closing ceremony. Ms. Bonnie Morris, Vice-President Business, stated they were also seeking support from the corporate community. She reported the first official highlight of the Brier was to bring the sponsors / patrons together for a reception, with the plan to hold this event at 111 Lisgar Street.

Councillor Beamish inquired if there would be the opportunity for product placement and acknowledgement for the Region of Ottawa-Carleton. Ms. Morris stated details had not been finalized, however, they were happy to discuss this further. The speaker added the TSN broadcasting would include a feature on the host community/city in addition to various segments throughout the 66 hours of television coverage.

That Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee recommend that Council approve a grant request in the amount of \$75,000 for the Ottawa Brier 2001.

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CARRIED (D. Beamish dissented)

SOCIAL SERVICES

11. COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE OF *** GOULBOURN, KANATA AND WEST CARLETON CAPITAL FUNDING REQUEST

- A/Social Services Commissioner's report dated 21 Sep 00

Mr. Alan Whitten, Chair, Long Term Planning Committee, introduced Ms. Peggy Feltmate, Executive Director, Mr. Sam Dicks, Board Chair, and Mr. Phil Brown, Consultant, in addition of other board members in the public gallery.

Councillor Stewart commended the agency for the work done in their constituency and their commitment. However, the Councillor expressed concern that there were areas within the Region, inside the Greenbelt and in the urban area, that were not covered by the fundamental services the agency provided. Councillor Stewart reported Council had recognized the need to offer these services in the Hunt Club / Riverside Park area {an area with a pressing need}, however, explained no capital funds were available.

G. Armstrong, A/Social Services Commissioner, stated that in reviewing the background and community support for the subject CRC project, and the opportunity that presently existed, the Department supported the request for capital money. With respect to the Ottawa South and Hunt Club area, Mr. Armstrong explained staff continued to look at this area / issue with the possibility of a site and capital support from the new city. With respect to the two CRC reports, he stated they were based on proposals that were presented by the agencies. In closing, Mr. Armstrong provided reassurance that staff would continue to work closely with the South Ottawa community to try to improve on the services presently provided.

> With respect to the finance department comment, Councillor Stewart pointed out funding was not available to fund even these requests due to the commitment of the Region Wide Capital Reserve Fund.

Speaking to the CRC proposal, Mr. Armstrong stated it was an opportunity that would see substantial savings over time. He believed it would prevent the agency having to return to Council in the future to request significant operating money. With respect to the funding, the Commissioner confirmed the 2000 budget requirements would be finalized within the month and he was certain there would be sufficient funds to deal with the request.

Councillor Stewart expressed the difficult situation, as she did not want to take away from the need and valuable work done by the CRC. However, she did not believe it was fair for one community to have so little because there was no space available to deliver programs.

Mr. Phil Brown, Co-Chair, Coalition of Community Health and Resources Centres. Mr. Brown reported that the Coalition recognized there were gaps in the coverage area in the Region and expressed his distress for the situation. He stated it was necessary for all the CRCs to work together to fill the gaps and push for the funding that would provide the full level of services that was seamless across the Region. Mr. Brown stated an objective was to stabilize the existing centres, in addition to searching and obtaining the financing to allow other centres to develop to a similar level of service in all communities.

Councillor Munter acknowledged Councillor Stewart's concerns. He was pleased to hear support for the notion that perhaps time had come for a capital fund in the social services budget to be able to deal with the issues. The Councillor agreed the South Ottawa group should bring forward a proposal and offered his assistance. However, Councillor Munter referenced the solid business case presented in the CRC of Goulbourn, Kanata and West Carleton proposal. In closing, he pointed out the large increase in current rent, adding that if the agency remained in their current location, the Region would have to increase their 2001 operating funding.

Councillor Cantin believed the proposal to acquire land and construct / own a building vs. renting made good financial sense, citing the move to Regional Headquarters from Queen Street. He stated the costs were then controllable. In addition, the Councillor emphasized the importance to construct a sturdy building and not scrimp on the original construction costs.

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That the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee recommend Council approve a maximum expenditure of \$860,000 to provide a one-time capital grant [\$500,000] and an interest free loan [\$360,000] to assist the Community Resource Centre of Goulbourn, Kanata and West Carleton to acquire land and to construct an adequate facility.

CARRIED

(W. Stewart dissented)

12. GLOUCESTER CENTRE FOR COMMUNITY RESOURCES *** CAPITAL FUNDING REQUEST

- A/Social Services Commissioner's report dated 21 Sep 00

That the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee recommend Council approve a maximum expenditure of \$300,000 to provide a one-time capital grant to assist the Gloucester Centre for Community Resources to renovate and expand their current location.

> CARRIED (D. Beamish and W. Stewart dissented)

INQUIRIES

Councillor Meilleur referenced a lane closure on Sussex Drive between Boteler Street and King Edward Avenue. She reported this closure has resulted in traffic congestion between 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. The Councillor inquired about the rationale for the closure and why she as ward Councillor was not notified. D. Shannon, Director, Finance and Operations Support Division, explained the project was a minor operational improvement in which a safety concern was being addressed, with the result of enhancing safety for both cyclists and motorists. Councillor Meilleur supported safety for cyclists, however, noted she had not seen many cyclists using the

lane. Mr. Shannon confirmed staff were currently monitoring the impact of the change and would report back to the Councillor directly.

CONFIDENTIAL AGENDA

1. SOLID WASTE

COMPENSATION FEE - TOWNSHIP OF OSGOODE BY-LAW 234 OF 1992

- Deferred from Council 27 Sep 00

- Motion from Council 27 Sep 00

- A/Regional Solicitor's report dated 19 Sep 00

- Draft Confidential Committee Minute 19 Sep 00

Moved by A. Loney

That Agenda Item No. 1 of the Confidential Agenda be considered by the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee In Camera pursuant to subsection 11 (1) (e) - litigation or potential litigation affecting the Regional Corporation, including matters before administrative tribunals - of the Procedure By-Law.

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CARRIED

Moved by A. Loney

That the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee move Out of Camera and resume in open session.

CARRIED

That the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee approve, with the delegation of authority provided by Council on 27 Sep 00, that the Region accept the offer from the Township of Osgoode of \$100,000 as settlement of the dispute with respect to By-law 234 of 1992, subject to the execution of satisfactory Minutes of Settlement.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

CO-ORDINATOR

CHAIR