

**City of Port Colborne
Regular Committee of the Whole Meeting 26-19
Minutes**

Date: October 28, 2019

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: Council Chambers, Municipal Offices, 66 Charlotte Street, Port Colborne

Members Present: M. Bagu, Councillor
E. Beauregard, Councillor
R. Bodner, Councillor
G. Bruno, Councillor
F. Danch, Councillor
A. Desmarais, Councillor
D. Kalailieff, Councillor
W. Steele, Mayor (presiding officer)
H. Wells, Councillor

Staff Present: D. Aquilina, Director of Planning and Development
B. Garrett, Director of Corporate Services
A. LaPointe, Manager of Legislative Services/City Clerk
C. Lee, Acting Chief Administrative Officer
L. Nelson, EAA to the Director of Corporate Services (minutes)

Also in attendance were interested citizens, members of the news media and WeeStream.

1. Call to Order:

Mayor Steele called the meeting to order.

2. National Anthem

Those in attendance stood for O Canada.

3. Introduction of Addendum Items:

Nil.

4. Confirmation of Agenda:

Moved by Councillor H. Wells
Seconded by Councillor G. Bruno

That the agenda dated October 28, 2019 be confirmed, as circulated or as amended.

CARRIED.

5. Disclosures of Interest:

Councillor Wells declared a pecuniary interest regarding item 5. Councillor Wells refrained from discussing or voting on item 5.

6. Adoption of Minutes:**(a) Regular meeting of Committee of the Whole 25-19, held on October 15, 2019.**

Moved by Councillor F. Danch
Seconded by Councillor E. Beaugard

That the minutes of the regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole 25-19, held on October 15, 2019, be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

7. Determination of Items Requiring Separate Discussion:

The following items were identified for separate discussion:

Items 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7.

8. Approval of Items Not Requiring Separate Discussion:

Moved by Councillor A. Desmarais
Seconded by Councillor M. Bagu

That items 1 to 9 on the agenda be approved, with the exception of items that have been deferred, deleted or listed for separate discussion, and the recommendation contained therein adopted.

Items:**1. Chief Administrative Officer Department, Report 2019-160, Subject: Memorandum of Understanding – Procurement of Goods and Services**

Committee of the Whole recommends:

That Council ratify the Memorandum of Understanding attached as Appendix "A" to Chief Administrative Officer's Department Report 2019-160.

8. Pierre Ranger, Chair of the Let's Remember Adam – STOP FOR THE SCHOOL BUS Committee Re: National School Bus Safety Week and Stop Arm Cameras

Committee of the Whole recommends:

That the correspondence received from Pierre Ranger, Chair of the Let's Remember Adam – STOP FOR THE SCHOOL BUS Committee Re: National School Bus Safety Week and Stop Arm Cameras, be received for information.

9. City of St. Catharines Re: Menstrual Products in City Facilities

Committee of the Whole recommends:

The the resolution received from the City of St. Catharines Re: Menstrual Products in City Facilities, be received for information.

CARRIED.

9. Presentations:

Nil.

10. Delegations:

- (a) **Janet Handy, Executive Director of the Kristen French Child Advocacy Centre Niagara Re: Information about the Kristen French Advocacy Centre and what the Centre is looking to for the Future**

Janet Handy, Executive Director of the Kristen French Child Advocacy Centre Niagara provided a presentation with respect to the programs and services offered by the Kristen French Child Advocacy Centre Niagara. A copy of the presentation is attached.

11. Mayor's Report:

A copy of the Mayor's Report is attached.

12. Regional Councillor's Report:

Councillor Butters reported that the Niagara Region is conducting curbside branch removal October 28 to November 22. Branches must be tied in bundles no longer than 1.5 metres or 5 feet long, and no heavier than 22.7 kilograms or 50 pounds. Councillor Butters noted that it is flu season and encouraged residents to call Public Health to make an appointment and get a flu shot. Councillor Butters reported that the Province has decided against amalgamation. Councillor Butters also attended the Taste of Port Colborne event and noted that the event was very good.

13. Councillors' Items:

- (a) **Centennial Park (Wells)**

Councillor Wells asked that the ruts in Centennial Park be levelled off.

(b) Concession 2 and Highway 140 Piles of Asphalt (Wells)

Councillor Wells had a concern about piles of asphalt and stone on Concession 2 and Highway 140. Councillor Wells followed up with the City and was notified that the roadway is being refurbished at that location.

(c) Sherkston Halloween (Wells)

Councillor Wells noted that the Sherkston Halloween event was well attended.

(d) Amelia Street South Side (Desmarais)

Councillor Desmarais requested that the Director of Engineering and Operations have staff look at the Amelia Street south side sidewalk as someone fell off a scooter due to the large drop in the pavement.

(e) Road Patches (Bagu)

Councillor Bagu noted that he has received several complaints about the road patches around the City. The Director of Engineering and Operations said that there will be repairs made in the last two weeks of November.

(f) Council Chambers Podium (Bruno)

Councillor Bruno inquired about having the podium in Council Chambers included in the renovations for the first floor. Councillor Bruno suggested a new podium that can be adjusted for height and that would be more easily accessible for standing and sitting.

(g) Lighting Issues West Street and Charlotte Street (Kalailieff)

Councillor Kalailieff asked for an update regarding lighting on West Street and Charlotte Street. The Director of Engineering and Operations gave a brief update to the ongoing repairs to lighting on both streets.

(h) Communities that Bloom Workshop (Kalailieff)

Councillor Kalailieff attended the Communities that Bloom workshop which can be used to promote our community. Councillor Kalailieff suggested that the Director of Communities that Bloom come in and do a presentation to Council and staff.

(i) Crimestoppers Niagara (Kalailieff)

Councillor Kalailieff presented a gift and a Certificate of Recognition to the Mayor from Crimestoppers Niagara.

(j) High Wind Water Event October 27 (Bodner)

Councillor Bodner thanked staff for their work on the high water event which occurred on Sunday, October 27.

(k) Sherkston Community Centre (Bodner)

Councillor Bodner noted that the Sherkston Community Centre has built a new cabinet for storing memorabilia from the Sherkston School. Councillor Bodner requested that if anyone has memorabilia from the school that they would like to donate or loan to the display, please contact the Sherkston Community Centre.

Staff responses to Councillors' enquiries:

Nil.

14. Consideration of Items Requiring Separate Discussion: Re-order items**2. Engineering and Operations Department, Engineering Division, Report 2019-142, Subject: Oil Mill Creek Municipal Drain – Appointment of Engineer**

Moved by Councillor M. Bagu
Seconded by Councillor R. Bodner

That the Council of the City of Port Colborne receives Report 2019-142 with respect to the Oil Mill Creek Drain Engineer Appointment as information; and

That Paul Marsh P. Eng. Of EWA Engineering Ltd. be appointed under Section 8 of the Drainage Act, Chapter D.17 R.S.O. 1990 for the preparation of a new engineer's report under Section 78 of the Drainage Act, Chapter D.17 R.S.O. 1990, related to the Oil Mill Creek Drain.

CARRIED.

3. Engineering and Operations Department, Engineering Division, Report 2019-143, Subject: Point Abino Municipal Drain – Appointment of Engineer

Moved by Councillor M. Bagu
Seconded by Councillor H. Wells

That the Council of the City of Port Colborne receives Report 2019-143 with respect to Point Abino Drain Engineer Appointment as information; and

That Paul Marsh P. Eng. Of EWA Engineering Ltd. be appointed under Section 8 of the Drainage Act, Chapter D.17 R.S.O. 1990 for the preparation of a new engineer's report under Section 78 of the Drainage Act, Chapter D.17 R.S.O. 1990, related to the Point Abino Municipal Drain.

CARRIED.

4. Engineering and Operations Department, Engineering Division, Report 2019-156, Subject: Biederman Municipal Drain – Appointment of Engineer

Moved by Councillor M. Bagu
Seconded by Councillor H. Wells

That the Council of the City of Port Colborne receives Report 2019-156 with respect to Biederman Drain Engineer Appointment as information; and

That Brandon Widner P. Eng. Of Spriet Associates Engineers and Architects. be appointed under Section 8 of the Drainage Act, Chapter D.17 R.S.O. 1990 for the preparation of a new engineer's report under Section 78 of the Drainage Act, Chapter D.17 R.S.O. 1990, related to the Biederman Municipal Drain.

CARRIED.

5. Planning and Development Department, Report 2019-155, Subject: Planning Budget Tasks

Moved by Councillor G. Bruno
Seconded by Councillor E. Beauregard

That Council authorize \$75,000 to be allocated to the Planning and Development Department for Consulting Services and included in the 2020 budget process.

Moved in amendment by Councillor G. Bruno
Seconded by Councillor E. Beauregard

That the main motion be amended by replacing the words "included in the 2020 budget process" with "be taken from 2019 reserve funds".

CARRIED.

Moved in amendment by Councillor R. Bodner
Seconded by Councillor E. Beauregard

That the main motion be amended to include the following as a second paragraph: That the Director of Planning and Development hold an open house for the removal of topsoil and placement of fill by-law.

CARRIED.

The vote was then called on the main motion, as amended, as follows:

That Council authorize \$75,000 to be allocated to the Planning and Development Department for Consulting Services and be taken from 2019 reserve funds; and

That the main motion be amended to include the following as a second paragraph: That the Director of Planning and Development hold an open house for the removal of topsoil and placement of fill by-law.

CARRIED.

6. Planning and Development Department, Report 2019-146, Subject: Background Study and Development Charges By-law Update

Moved by Councillor G. Bruno

Seconded by Councillor A. Desmarais

That Council approve Option 1 as described in Planning and Development Department Report 2019-146; and

That the proposed Development Charges By-law attached as Appendix C to Planning and Development Department Report 2019-146 be brought forward for approval; and

That staff be directed to prepare the Notice of passing in accordance with the Development Charges Act.

Moved in amendment by Councillor G. Bruno

Seconded by Councillor A. Desmarais

That the main motion be amended to replace the second paragraph with the following:

That Council approves the Development Charges implementations as follows:

1. Infill housing – deferral of all development charges for 5 years.
2. Multiple unit residential (including condominiums) – no development charges for the first 3 years; year 4 50%; year 5 100%.
3. Sub-division/new development – 20% of development charges in first year; 40% year 2; 60% year 3; 80% year 4; 100% year 5.
4. Commercial, Industrial, and institutional – no development charges for the first 3 years; year 4 50%; year 5 100%.
5. Brownfield Development – deferral of all development charges for 5 years;

CARRIED.

The vote was then called on the main motion, as amended, as follows:

That Council receives Planning and Development Department Report 2019-146, Background Study and Development Charges By-law Update for information;

That Council approves the Development Charges implementations as follows:

1. Infill housing – deferral of all development charges for 5 years.

2. Multiple unit residential (including condominiums) – no development charges for the first 3 years; year 4 50%; year 5 100%.
3. Sub-division/new development – 20% of development charges in first year; 40% year 2; 60% year 3; 80% year 4; 100% year 5.
4. Commercial, Industrial, and institutional – no development charges for the first 3 years; year 4 50%; year 5 100%.
5. Brownfield Development – deferral of all development charges for 5 years;

That the updated Development Charges By-law be brought forward for approval at Council; and

That staff be directed to prepare the Notice of passing in accordance with the Development Charges Act.

CARRIED.

7. Memorandum from the Economic Development Advisory Committee Re: Development Charges

Moved by Councillor A. Desmarais
Seconded by Councillor D. Kalailieff

That the memorandum received from the Economic Development Advisory Committee Re: Development Charges be received for information; and

That the following motion be considered by Council when reviewing the Development Charges Bylaw:

That the Economic Development Advisory Committee recommends to the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne that Development Charges be implemented as follows:

1. Infill housing – deferral of all development charges for 5 years.
2. Multiple unit residential (including condominiums) – no development charges for the first 3 years; year 4 50%; year 5 100%.
3. Sub-division/new development – 20% of development charges in first year; 40% year 2; 60% year 3; 80% year 4; 100% year 5.
4. Commercial and Industrial- no development charges for the first 3 years; year 4 50%; year 5 100%.
5. Brownfield Development – deferral of all development charges for 5 years.

That the City impose a vacancy tax on land that is approved for development which remains undeveloped for a period as recommended by city staff.

CARRIED.

15. Notice of Motion:

Nil.

16. Adjournment:

Moved by Councillor E. Beauregard
Seconded by Councillor F. Danch

That the Committee of the Whole meeting be adjourned at approximately
7:45 p.m.

CARRIED.

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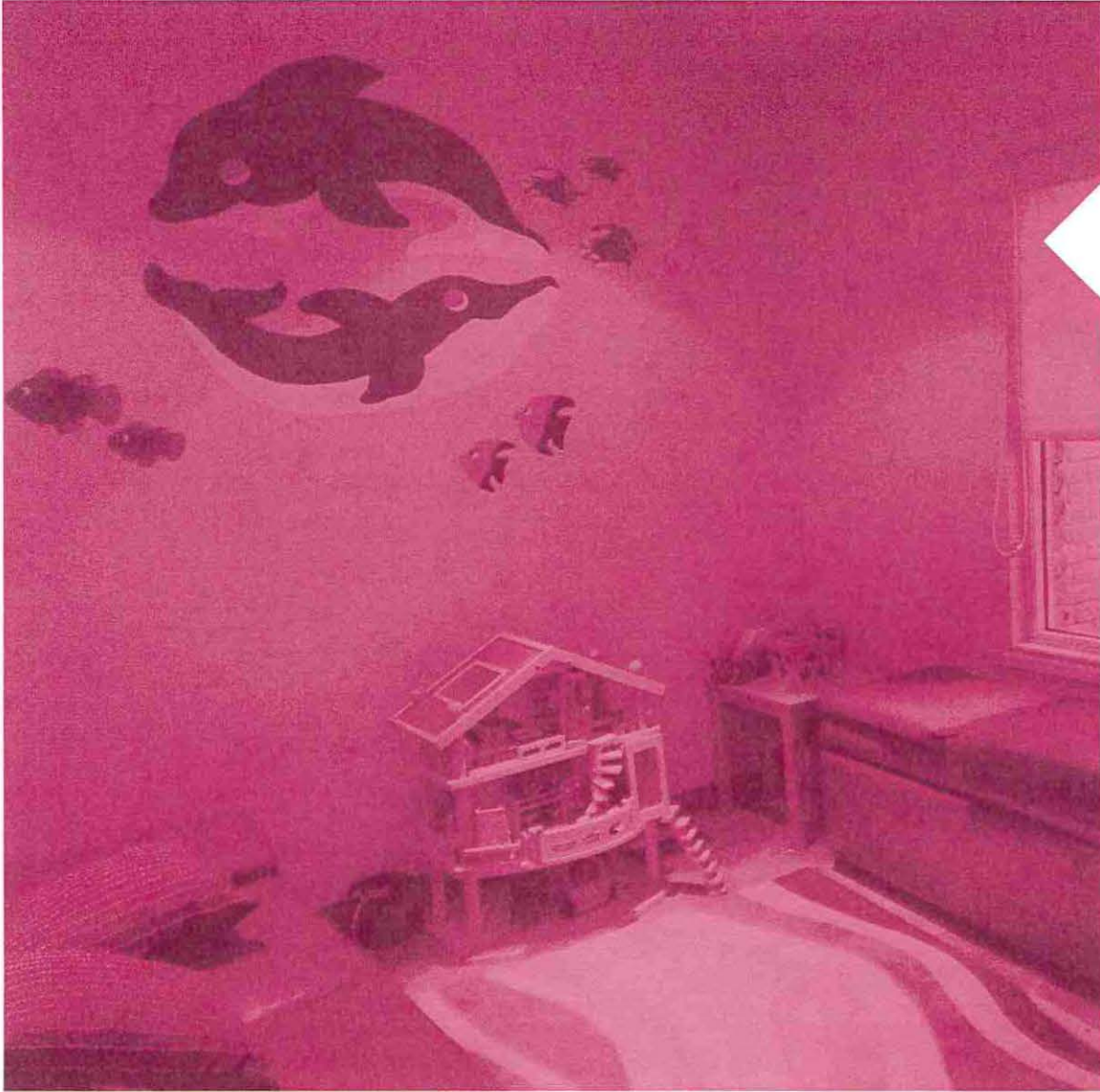
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OUR PURPOSE



- Provide a **non-threatening, child-friendly place** where children and youth feel safe disclosing their abuse experience
- **Minimize the # of times** children must repeat their experience
- To provide a coordinated partners' response that **significantly reduces** the trauma associated with disclosing abuse

ABOUT INVESTIGATION



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NIAGARA'S
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Services Niagara

Les Services à la famille
et à l'enfance de Niagara



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Centre de
counseling familial



BENEFITS

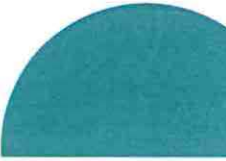


for Children and Families

- ✓ Children report being **less scared**
- ✓ Caregivers are **more satisfied** with procedure and investigation
- ✓ CACs refer more children for both **mental health services** and preventative and injury-related **medical exams**



for Professionals & Community

- ✓ When working as investigation teams, professionals **better understand** each other's team roles, improve team results through **case review & fewer children** fall through the cracks
 - ✓ At an estimated **savings of 32%**, CAC coordinated investigations are more cost-effective than non CAC run investigations
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SINCE **OPENING** IN 2008...

- More than **3000** children & youth have found our **safe place** to disclose abuse
- We have grown from hosting 50 to **340** interviews per year
- Children have come from **every municipality** in the Niagara region for investigation support

OUR
**STRATEGIC
PLAN**
INCLUDES...



COLLABORATION



**OUTREACH
TO YOUTH**



**INTERAGENCY
& COMMUNITY
LEARNING**



**CHILD ABUSE
AWARENESS,
PREVENTION
& RESPONSE**





YOUTH PROGRAMMING

Teen Connect Program

Our goal is to inform Niagara's children and youth in grades 7-9 of the caring support services available to them, or someone they know who may be experiencing abuse or being groomed into human trafficking.

Teen Creative

A free, weekly, artist-lead, two hour education and abuse prevention group for youth ages 12-15, who have completed their investigative process.

Cathy's Kids

A second Creative arts group is also available for ages 9-11.

Youth Advisory Council

Provides youth ages 14-17 years old a voice to share their input and participate in various Centre projects and community involvement opportunities.



FUNDING

We have no core funding from the Government.

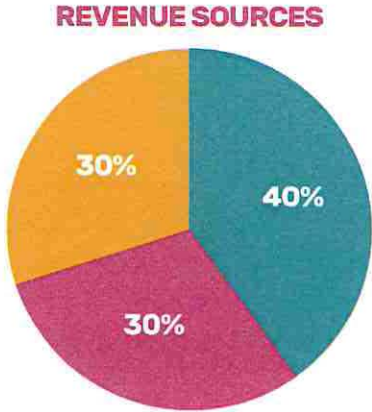
Our funding sources are based on the tireless fundraising by volunteers and staff and partner support.

We receive/raise funds from three areas:

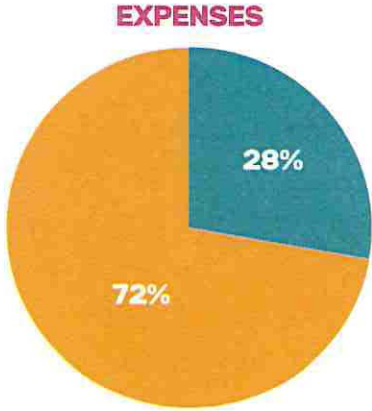
- 1 Events/Campaigns/Planned Giving \$162,544**
 - 5 fundraising events (sponsors and participants)
 - 3rd party events
 - Campaigns: annual holiday campaign Kristen's Helpers
 - Donor: Individual, corporate donors, Planned giving partners
 - Miscellaneous funding sources (one time funders or unexpected support)

- 2 Partner Support: = NRPS/FACS \$125,000**

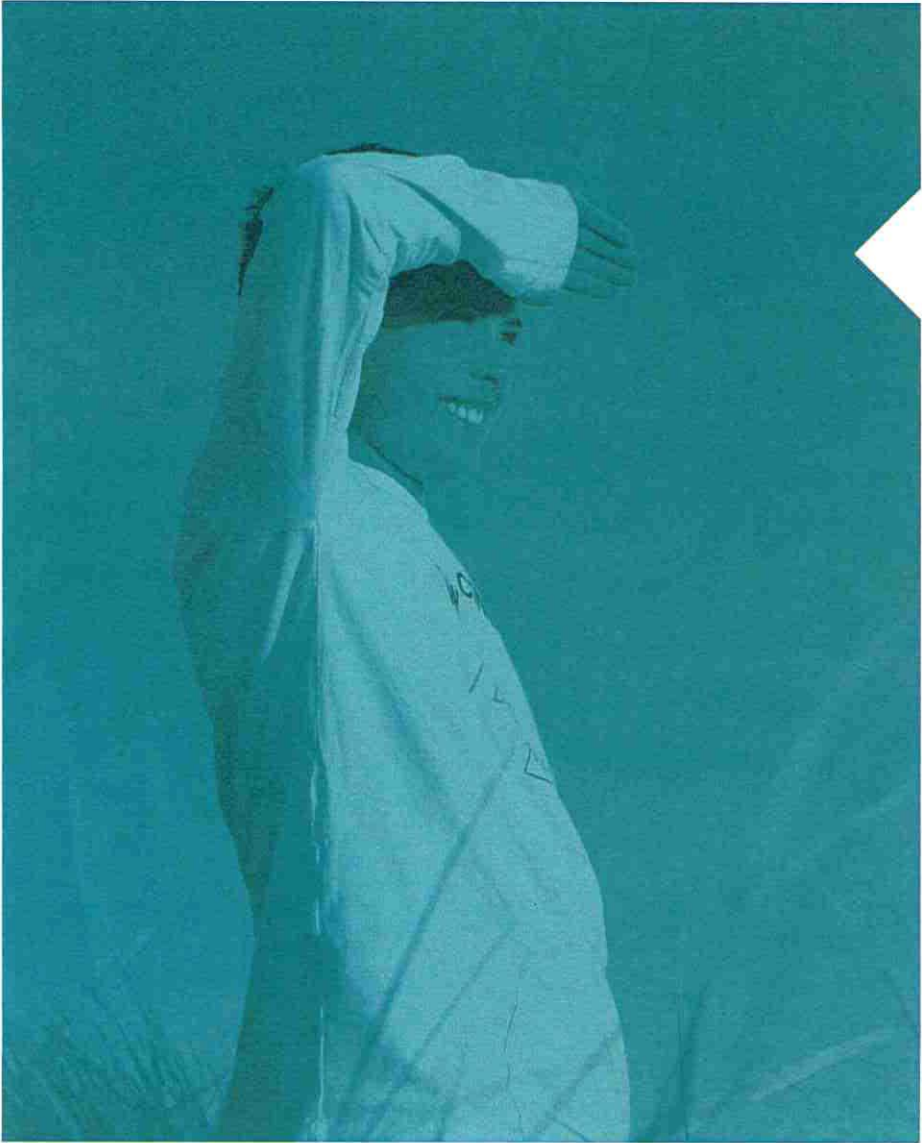
- 3 Grants, Foundations, Service Clubs \$123,912**
(time-limited and program/project specific/ summer students)



Events/campaigns/ planned giving
Partner support: = NRPS/FACS
Grants, Foundations, Service Clubs



● Administration Operations
● Program



BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY...

Report Child Abuse

Help is available 24/7

Family and Children's Services Niagara
905.937.7731 or 1.888.937.7731

Niagara Regional Police Service
905.688.4111

If you or someone you know is in
immediate danger, **CALL 911**





MAYOR'S REPORT – OCTOBER 28, 2019

Provincial Governance Review

Last Friday, the provincial government announced that it had completed its governance review and no changes would be forthcoming at this time.

They are leaving the decisions for better governance in the hands of local government.

I can tell you that the Mayors and CAOs of the Niagara Region continue to work towards providing excellent services to our residents, while being conscious of costs.

The recent Memorandum of Understanding with Welland, Pelham, Wainfleet, Thorold and Port Colborne is an example of this and I hope to see future partnerships.

#TasteofPortColborne

Did you #PORTicipate in #TasteofPortColborne?

Downtown Port Colborne, Port Colborne Main Street BIA, and the City want to hear from you! Please complete this quick survey as your feedback will allow for improvements in the future! Visit tasteofportcolborne.ca

Lions Club Food Drive

The Lions Club Food Drive in support of the Port Cares Food Bank is being held this Saturday, November 2.

Please have your non-perishable food items on your front porch by 9:00 a.m. for volunteers to pick up.

The food donations collected will provide the Port Cares Reach Out Centre with much needed resources for clients during the winter months, when the need for food is the great.

Most Needed Items: Canned fruit, canned fish, canned meat, canned pasta, side dishes, dry soup, peanut butter, pull-tab cans, dispers size 4 & 5, deodorant, shampoo and toothbrushes.

Cash or cheques are also accepted – made payable to Port Cares.

Help Design our Community Christmas Card

Just a reminder, that we are seeking your children's wintery, Christmasy drawing for our annual Christmas card.

We will be accepting drawings until Friday, November 8th.

Please check out our website for details.

Remembrance Day Services

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 56 Poppy Week will run from Friday, October 25th to Monday, November 11, 2019.

Remembrance Day Services will be held at 10:45 a.m. on Monday, November 11th at the Cenotaphs at H.H. Knoll Lakeview Park and Centennial Park.

Out of respect for and in honour of our veterans, your attendance would be most appreciated.