

WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICES DIVISION

CITIZENS LIAISON COMMITTEE (CLC) – NIAGARA ROAD 12 LANDFILL SITE

Notes of a meeting of the Niagara Road 12 Landfill Citizens Liaison Committee held via Zoom on July 7, 2021 commencing at 7:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Committee: Ken Durham - Chair
Peter Forsberg
Brian Jaworsky
Robert Lee
Councillor Bob Hildebrandt, Town of Pelham
Councillor Greg Reimer, Town of Lincoln

Regrets: Victor Dirksen
Mayor Jeff Jordan, Town of Grimsby
Councillor William Reilly, Town of West Lincoln

Staff: Andrew Winters, Program Manager, Waste Disposal Operations
Sandy Sawatzky, Waste Management Clerk/Program Administrator

1. Distributed at meeting:

Agenda
Minutes for March 25, 2021 meeting

2. Approval of Agenda:

- The agenda was accepted and the meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm.
- Committee members approved

Moved by: consensus
Seconded by: consensus

Carried.

3. Approval of Minutes from March 25, 2021:

Moved by: Peter Forsberg
Seconded by: Robert Lee

Carried.

4. Business Arising from previous meeting:

- Discussion of TOR to be discussed at item 5

5. Draft Terms of Reference (TOC) for CLC

- Motion from committee
 - to include a second sentence to Art.3.2, as follows:
“Bring forward information to discuss on any new technologies; i.e.: bio digestion, incineration, plasma technology, etc., that can extend the utility of landfill sites.”

Moved by: Peter Forsberg

Seconded by: Brian Jaworsky

Carried.

6. Impact of COVID-19 on Landfill Operation

- Staff reports:
 - Operations as usual, COVID restrictions being applied at site
 - sites have been running with same protocols for over 1 year
 - Reuse center opened

7. Update on Capital Projects for 2020 (AW)

- Drop off Improvements Capstone replacement completed
- Most projects are completed, pond enlargement, pump station, running smooth and operating the way they were intended.
- Drop-off modifications - Tied in with BS just past 60% design phase, close to being able to tender. Work anticipated for 2022-2023 depending on procurement
- One new project – consultant to an evaluation of our buildings and sites, NT12 house, found some deficiencies, will go for tender for repairs to house and HHW to make sure the buildings are up to standards, minor issues such as replacements of windows, no structural issues,

Action: Andrew to look into potential grants for projects

8. Curbside Collection Contract update

- Bi-weekly garbage collection

- Operations by new contractors appear to be running seamlessly.
 - EOW – purpose to increase organic #'s and expect waste decrease when comparing first 6 months of 2021, there has been an approximately 18% reduction in waste collection. The reduction in waste to landfill will extend the life of the landfill sites.
 - We are estimating a 6000 tonnes increase in organics compare to 2020 but trying to determine how much is related to impact of EOW or related to COVID?
 - 2020 we did see a spike in organics before we started EOW collection.
- Regulations Producer Responsibility Program (Blue Box)
 - Each municipality has a timeline, the program takes effect for Niagara Region in 2024.
 - The next 2 years are going to be extremely busy switching over to the producer responsibility program
 - Ministry is looking at producers to fully fund the end use these materials, blue box is the last material to become Producer responsibility, still determining the requirements of the program.
 - Still trying to determine the impacts and how we will manage these items.

9. Other Business

- Staff:
 - Operations this year are status quo, we are noticing traffic has gone up compare to last years.
 - Past 6 months have been busy with increase 5-10% in traffic this year. Extra 100 tons of recyclables collected compared to 2020, overall we are line in what we estimated in our budget
 - Other regulation - HHW program was to take affect July 1 but delayed until Oct 1, 2021. The MECP released the regulation on June 8th, the way it is written doesn't cover all the items collected at the depots. What impact the regulation will have and the cost impacts are still to be determined by the Region.
- Committee Members:
 - Discussion on recommending that a CLC member attend the WMPSC meetings and/or other committees. Rotate members
 - To be discussed at next meeting

10. Next Meeting

- Next meeting - Propose – September in person and tour facility 15 or 16 poll members

11.ADJOURNMENT: 8:00pm

Moved by: Peter Forsberg

Seconded by: Robert Lee

Carried