

WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICES DIVISION

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

Meeting Notes from the Niagara Road 12 Landfill Citizens Liaison Committee held via Zoom on May 9, 2024, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Committee: Ken Durham – Resident Member (Chair)
Robert Lee – Resident Member
Councillor Bob Hildebrandt, Town of Pelham
Councillor Don Howe, Town of Grimsby
Councillor Greg Reimer, Town of Lincoln

Regrets:

Councillor Mike Rehner, Town of West Lincoln
Councillor Jacob Baradziej, Town of Grimsby

Staff: Andrew Winters, Program Manager, Waste Disposal Operations
Kate Ashbridge, Supervisor, Waste Disposal Operations
Jarod Rogers, Waste Disposal Operations Technologist
Emil Prpic, Associate Director, Waste Disposal Operations & Engineering
Sandy Sawatzky, Waste Management Clerk/Program Administrator

1. Distributed at meeting:

Agenda

Minutes for February 8, 2024, meeting

2. Approval of Agenda:

The agenda was approved and accepted by the Committee, and the meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

3. Approval of Minutes from February 8, 2024:

Moved by: Councillor Don Howe

Seconded by: Robert Lee

Carried.

4. Business Arising from previous meeting:

- Blue/Grey box transition – last meeting update from Sherri Tait, Manager Policy and Planning – transition to Producer Responsibility is going well.
- Green bin/Compost – Green bin tonnages are up slightly this year over last year, maybe the result of how mild the winter was this year.
- Response from the advertising of new members for the Committee
 - New Member posting was on the Region website and the Clerks office received no new application. Clerks will post again next year (2025)

Action: Sandy to include the link for Commercial locations to purchase Green Bins

<https://www.niagararegion.ca/waste/containers/cart-order-form.aspx>

Action: Follow up with Robert on new members and process

5. Update on Projects for 2023/2024

- Office building improvements
 - in process, hopefully, next meeting will be in person.
- Drop-off Depot improvements
 - Waste disposal pad and work around the Drop-off Depot are basically completed
- Compost Pad improvements
 - stripped 70% down and re-laid with stone and paved.
 - started in April and just finishing paving this week, will have access early in May.
 - Compost pad is not where green material bins go, only Leaf & Yard (L&Y).
- Marz Homes – soil removal update
 - Agreement to remove stockpiles, 26,000cubic metres was removed in 2023.
 - phase 2 delayed haulage of 2nd stockpile
 - will resume in the fall.
- Issuance of the Landfill Operation Tender
 - Current contract ends in August 2025
 - Require one (1) year lead time to secure equipment
 - Tender just issued on May 7, 2024.
 - The current contractor has been at NR12 since 2018, which is a five (5) year contract with a two (2) year extension option for a total of seven (7) years.

- A committee member asked about the house renovations and why it is taking so long.
- Staff Response
 - The problem is with the contractor, issues since day 1 and they are behind schedule.
 - nothing wrong with the building, in good condition
 - looking at 40+ years at the site so it was time to renovate.
 - Liquidated damages will be sought from the contractor.

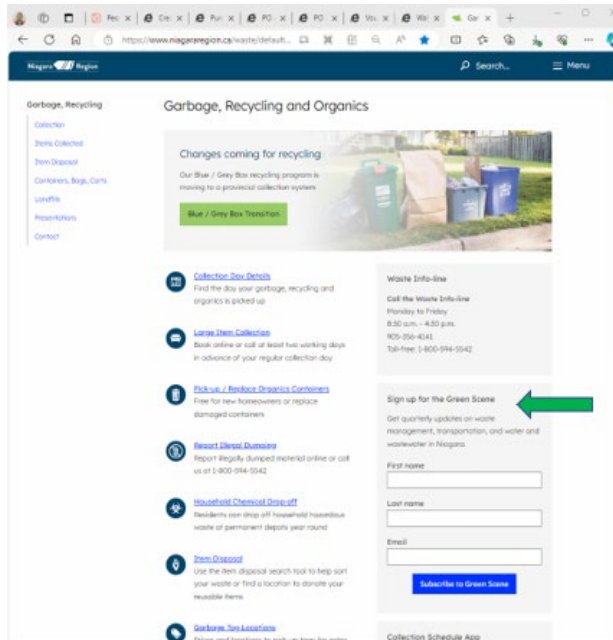
6. Update on NR12 Operations – Tonnage review- Kate Ashbridge

- Tonnage spreadsheets – Inbound and Outbound (attached)
- Committee Member asks – with communities growing, what is the impact on the landfill?
- Staff Response
 - NR12 only accepts material from 4 municipalities and is a bit more sheltered from increase in volume.
 - Curbside Collection Garbage does come to NR12, and diversion reduces the amount of waste.
 - Housing development in West Lincoln is about 2% and contributes to a 2% increase in tonnage.
 - When Every Other Week garbage started throughout Niagara, the garbage tonnage dropped by approximately 12,000 tonnes and recycling/composting increased by approximately the same tonnages.

Action: 2021 comparisons for committee

7. Action Items from the February 8 meeting.

- Promo material WM website
 - [Find Your Garbage Day and Pick-up Details - Niagara Region, Ontario](#)
- Green Scene electronic version
 - Green Scene is not the same thing as the Waste Collection Guide
 - Electronic Version by request at [Garbage, Recycling and Organics - Niagara Region, Ontario](#)
 - Residents can sign up for quarterly updates of the Green Scene on waste management, transportation, and water and wastewater in Niagara.



8. Other Business

- Committee member asks about Illegal Dumping, has it changed? Amplified?
- Staff Response –
 - Illegal dumping over the last few years has remained stagnant.
 - The amount of illegal dumping is approximately 700 events per year.
 - Investigation/Reporting – Waste Management performs litter bin blitzes as well as through reports submitted by residents.
 - Each event is investigated, and warning letters and tickets are issued when necessary.
 - Rewards are also issued, where a conviction has been made, to residents for reporting, 21 rewards were issued since 2021.

9. Next Meeting

- September 19, 2024 (alternate date the following Thursday) – in person and/or Zoom.

10. ADJOURNMENT: 7:46 pm

Moved by: Councillor Don Howe
Seconded by: NA

Carried