



PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT Solid Waste Committee Meeting Minutes

DATE: Wednesday, April 27, 2016

PLACE: Regional District Offices, Dawson Creek, BC

PRESENT: Director Karen Goodings, Electoral Area 'B'
Director Leonard Hiebert, Electoral Area 'D'
Director Dan Rose, Electoral Area 'E'
Director Dale Bumstead, City of Dawson Creek
Director Lori Ackerman, City of Fort St. John
PRRD Chair Don McPherson, ex officio

Staff

Chris Cvik, Chief Administrative Officer, 10:20 am
Jeff Rahn, General Manager of Environmental Services
Paulo Eichelberger, Manager of Solid Waste
Loryn Day, Solid Waste Coordinator
Suzanne Garrett, Corporate Services Coordinator

- 1) Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 9:40 am
- 2) Election of
Committee Chair The Chair called for nominations for the office of Committee Chair for 2016.
- Director Goodings nominated Director Rose for the office of Committee Chair for 2016. Director Ackerman seconded the nomination.
- Director Rose accepted the nomination.
- The Chair declared Director Rose Committee Chair of the Solid Waste Committee for 2016.
- 3) Vice-Chair Director Bumstead volunteered for the position of Committee Vice-Chair for 2016.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

- 4) Adoption of the
Agenda MOVED by Director Goodings, SECONDED by Director Ackerman,
that the Solid Waste Committee agenda for the April 27, 2016 meeting
including Director's new business and additional items for the agenda, be
adopted as amended:
- Election of Chair**
Notice of New Business
Adoption of the Agenda
Topics for Discussion
- a) Review of the Terms of Reference
 - b) Level of public consultation necessary for amendment of the Regional Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP) with regard to the North Peace Regional Landfill development project
 - c) Confirmation of agenda items for the May 3, 2016 meeting with municipal representatives to discuss curbside recycling
 - d) Topics of discussion at the next meeting
 - e) Date of next meeting

CARRIED.

5) Terms of Reference: Committee members reviewed the draft Terms of Reference.

Role of the Committee

- Remove “is to act as the policy oversight committee” and replace with “to act as an advisory committee”;
- Remove “from the implementation process”

To read as follows:

With the understanding that Solid Waste Management is a regional function and represents our largest single budget item; the goals of the Solid Waste Committee (SWC) is to act as an advisory committee for the Regional District solid waste management function and identify concerns and issues that may arise.

Meetings

- Change to read “The Committee shall meet on a monthly basis, on the first Thursday of every month;

Procedures

Voting – all recommendations that come before the Committee shall be determined by way of a majority vote;

- Change to “Voting - all options and recommendations shall be determined by majority vote, with recommendations and options being forwarded to the Regional Board for consideration and action.

MOVED by Director Ackerman, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
That the Solid Waste Committee recommends to the Regional Board that the Terms of Reference for the Solid Waste Committee, be adopted, as amended.

CARRIED.

6) Public Consultation Discussion ensued regarding the level of public consultation necessary for amendment of the Regional Solid Waste Management Plan (RSWMP) with regard to the North Peace Regional Landfill development project. It was noted that upgrades to the landfill site are a direct requirement of the operating permit stipulated by the Ministry of Environment (MoE).

The Regional District has been advised by the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development (MCSCD) that prior to approving the construction project at the North Peace Regional landfill that the said project must be identified in the RSWMP. Consequently an amendment to the Plan is required. The amendment also requires public consultation and review by Plan Monitoring Advisory Committee pursuant to Section 9.2.2 of the RSWMP (approved by the Regional Board on January 14, 2016.)

Public consultation could include advertisements, public open house meetings, outreach via the website. It was noted that the consultation process will need to be submitted to MoE for approval to ensure public consultation requirements are met.

It was suggested that staff prepare an amendment, work with PMAC and SWC and inform the public through Board, This would provide an opportunity for PMAC and SWC to bring forward issues/concerns. It was suggested that a list of ongoing issues to be addressed be created, i.e. Diary.

- 6) Public Consultation (continued) Discussion ensued regarding undertaking a complete review of the SWMP to address issues. It was noted that the MoE will require that the Plan be updated to take into new regulations that have been enacted since the Plan's adoption in 2009..

MOVED by Director Ackerman, SECONDED by Director Bumstead,
That the Solid Waste Committee recommend to the Regional Board that the Ministry of Environment be invited to the fall meeting of the Solid Waste Committee to provide an overview on the implications of undertaking a complete review of the Regional Solid Waste Management Plan.

CARRIED.

It was suggested that the financing of other capital projects under the RSWMP be identified and included in the amendment being created. It was felt that the focus should be on the capital project for the North Peace Regional Landfill, staff will check the RSWMP to identify other projects and clarify if the projects have sufficient information in the RSWMP to satisfy the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development's requirements.

MOVED by Director Goodings, SECONDED by Director McPherson,
That the Solid Waste Committee recommends to the Regional Board that in order to meet the requirements of the Ministry of Environment and the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development, with respect to the North Peace Regional Landfill project, that public consultation include:

- a) a newspaper advertisement which describes what the Regional District plans on undertaking (i.e. adding an amendment to the RSWMP which outlines costs and upcoming project details);
- b) one public open house held for the service area for the gathering of comments on the proposed appendix;
- c) a direct mail-out to households in the service area (if costs are unreasonable, a discussion will take place with MoE to find an alternate combination of the above).

CARRIED.

It was suggested that the Solid Waste Committee meet with the Plan Monitoring Advisory Committee to review the RSWMP. Forward an Invitation to the Plan Monitoring Advisory Committee to ascertain if they would like to participate in the review of the RSWMP. Determine which date, May 13th or June 7th, work for the majority of members.

- 7) May 3, 2016 mtg. Mr. Rahn reviewed agenda topics for the May 3, 2016 meeting with municipal representatives to discuss curbside recycling. Topics include:

- Municipality plans for:
 - a) curbside recycling and perceived impacts
 - b) any plans for curbside organics municipalities may have
- The Multi-Material BC Program
- Roundtable discussion items:
 - a) learning experiences from curbside programs
 - b) lead time to contract out education
 - c) Trucking options and efficiencies
 - d) Post processing of curbside recyclables – how it feeds into the region's recycling systems
 - e) budgeting schedule for municipalities and the Regional District

7) May 3 meeting MOVED by Director Ackerman, SECONDED by Director Bumstead,
That the Solid Waste Committee recommends to the Regional Board that a letter be forwarded to all Mayors and Councils advising that the Regional District is undertaking a process to identify budget items for 2017 related to curbside recycling, and request each municipality to submit any proposed initiatives being contemplated by their municipality.

CARRIED.

8) Topics for next Meeting Review of the Regional Solid Waste Management Plan. Staff will update the power point presentation to include objectives that have been completed.

9) Other Abandoned vehicle hulks, topics included:
- steel prices are low
- vehicle has to be registered or insured before RCMP will deal with it
- more vehicles are being abandoned
- need to pressure MoE to deal with this, it is their legislation
- discuss at fall meeting when MoE is present
- tipline for reporting (not publicly known)

Director Goodings inquired if the signage at the Cecil Lake store could be removed.

10) Next Meeting The following dates were agreed upon:
 May 13 1:30 pm
 June 7 9:00 am to 12:00 noon
 July 7 9:00 am to 12:00 noon
 August 4 9:00 am to 12:00 noon

11) Committee Report MOVED by Director Goodings, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,
That the recommendations from the Solid Waste Committee meeting of April 27, 2016 be recommended to the Regional Board for approval.

CARRIED.

12) Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 11:45 am

Director Dan Rose,
Chair – Solid Waste Committee

S. Garrett,
Corporate Services Coordinator