THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

June 20, 2008

There was a Meeting of the Waste Management Committee held in the Horton Community Centre on Friday, June 20, 2008. Present were Acting Chair Kingsbury, Mayor Robert A. Johnston, and John Wilson, Committee Member. Staff present were Rod Eady, Public Works Superintendent, Jeff Schruder, Municipal Infrastructure Manager, Rose Curley, Administrative Assistant and Mackie McLaren, CAO/Clerk.

1. CALL TO ORDER
   Acting Chair Kingsbury called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY
   There was no declaration of pecuniary interest.

3. MEETING MINUTES – May 15, 2008
   The CAO/Clerk noted that he has just recently sent a letter to Landfill Site (LFS) adjoining landowners based on 2007 LFS Monitoring Annual Report

4. BUSINESS ARISING
   There was no new business arising.

5. APPOINTMENT
   8:30 Mrs. Kim Sterling – No Frills Grocery Store – Promotion of Cloth Bags to Eliminate Plastic Grocery Bags
   Kim Sterling was present to discuss the promotion of cloth bags that she and Committee Member John Wilson have been working on. They are working towards offering free coupons that would allow Horton residents to obtain a free cloth bag at the No Frills Store (Sterlings – Renfrew). These coupons would enable residents to have extra bags, thereby deterring the use of the plastic bags. Also, it takes 6 plastic grocery bags to produce one of these cloth bags.

   Their head office (Loblaws) has agreed to contribute one - 50 coupon towards this promotion. No Frills Sterling would contribute 25 cents if Horton Township could contribute the remaining 25 cents. This would cover the cost for 1 cloth bag. Tax would be paid by the customer.

   There was discussion about also allowing these coupons to be used towards the purchase of plastic bins that are used in lieu of grocery bags.

   Acting Chair Bob Kingsbury thanked Mrs. Sterling for attending the meeting and for all her work towards this promotion.

6. MONTHLY CALENDAR

   a. Budget to Actual Review
      The Committee reviewed the budget to actual as of the end of May, 2008.

   b. Public Works – Property and Equipment Maintenance Report
      Rod Eady gave a brief report to the Committee. He noted that the cleanup being carried out by two students is progressing well; the fence to catch wind-blown debris will be put up as soon as the regrind is completed; and the E-Waste depot is going well. Arrangements will have to be made to have the E-waste exported from the LFS. The CAO/Clerk will research companies that do this and report back at the next meeting.

c. Prepare wording for tax insert
The committee reviewed several versions of previous tax inserts. They noted that the following items should be outlined in this tax insert:

- E-waste depot
- Household Hazardous Depot – Renfrew
- 2-Bag limit, free blue box, 6-red garbage bag tags, green tags available for purchase at the Municipal Office
- Future goal to eventually eliminate Recycling container at LFS to save on cost duplication
- Coupons for cloth bag promotion

c. Invoices and Revenue
The Committee reviewed an invoice and revenue report for May 2008.

7. JOINT RECYCLING COMMITTEE REPORT
Acting Chair Kingsbury reported on the Joint Recycling Committee meeting. He noted that they are proceeding with appraisal of the facility. A lot of the meeting is in-camera and thereby not all items can be reported on.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

- Marc-Etienne Lesieur – Inspection Report
The Committee reviewed the MOE's Inspection report recently for our landfill site. The Action items noted in the report were:

1. Excessive litter must be cleaned up – this is currently being carried out by students and staff.
2. The active face must be minimized to prevent windblown litter – this is in process.
3. A decision to either initiate the Site closure process or apply for the Site Expansion is required. – As discussed in a letter from Stantec this is not the right time to submit an application as supporting documentation is not yet available. Once the Site Operation Plan for expansion is completed this can be submitted with the application. The Committee agreed that a copy of Stantec's letter should be forwarded to Marc-Etienne so he is aware of our situation.

- Twp to Beaumen – correspondence on 2 bag limit
The Committee reviewed this correspondence.

- Beaumen – list of contaminated materials in recycling bin at LFS
The Committee reviewed this list. Jeff Schruder noted that the LFS attendant has been made aware of these contaminated items.

- Stantec – response to MOE suggestion to apply for expansion & closure
A copy of this letter is being forwarded to MOE.

9. REPORT ON 2-BAG LIMIT PREPARATIONS

Mackie McLaren reported on the progress of the 2-bag limit implementation. The tags that will be sold at the office have been ordered, and the blue boxes and extra tags are in the process of being delivered to Township residents. This process will be in place by the June 30, 2008 curbside pickup.

10. VERBAL REPORT ON MUNICIPAL HAZARDOUS AND SPECIAL WASTE PLAN MEETING – MAY 27, 2008

Mackie McLaren gave a verbal report on the meeting regarding Hazardous and Special Waste Plan that was held in Renfrew by Joe Hall of Stewardship Ontario. The costs for hazardous waste will be reduced for Renfrew's depot, thereby reducing Horton' share of costs.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

- Coupons for the purchase of cloth bags/plastic bins at Sterling No Frills – Renfrew

Moved by Rod Eady
Seconded by John Wilson

That the Waste Management Committee recommends to Council that each resident of the Township receive 4 coupons towards the purchase of cloth bags/plastic bins at Sterlings No Frills in Renfrew. Loblaws will contribute 50 percent of the coupon cost, Sterlings will contribute 25 percent of the cost, and the Township will contribute 25 percent of the cost.

Carried.

12. NEXT MEETING

The next regular scheduled meeting is Thursday, July 17, 2008 at 8:30 am in the Horton Community Centre.

13. CONFIRMING RESOLUTION
Moved by John Wilson
Seconded by Jeff Schruder
That the Committee pass this confirming resolution to validate any actions or directions which were given during the open portion of this Committee meeting which are minor in nature and which were not set out in By-law or Resolution.

Carried.

14. ADJOURNMENT
Moved by Rod Eady
Seconded by Jeff Schruder

That this Committee meeting be adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

Carried.

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Acting Chair CAO/Clerk