

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

Waste Management Committee Meeting

November 24, 2014

There was the final meeting of the Waste Management Committee for the 2010-14 Term of Office held in the Municipal Council Chamber on Monday November 24, 2014. Present was Chair Jamey Larone, Mayor Don Eady (2:00) and John Wilson. Staff present was Janet Collins, Public Works Manager and Mackie McLaren, CAO/Clerk.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Larone called the meeting to order at 1:40 p.m.

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There was no declaration of pecuniary interest by Members of the Committee and staff.

3. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

Chair Larone said he would present a verbal report on the Conference last week. He will provide a written report to Council at their December 2, 2014 Meeting.

4. APPROVE AGENDA

Moved by John Wilson, Seconded by Jamey Larone, that the Members approve the agenda for the November 24, 2014 Committee Meeting.

Carried

5. MINUTES

Chair Larone reviewed the October 15, 2014 Waste Management Committee Meeting Minutes.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Batteries Chair Larone discussed information vendors at the convention displayed.

Lafleche Chair Larone asked if the ground plastic had been shipped. Janet Collins said the two loads were being shipped this morning.

Sea Containers Chair Larone asked what the Public Works Dept. costs were for preparing the ground and setting up the 4 containers. Janet Collins will check. John Wilson asked if the roof between the containers will be constructed this fall. Ms. Collins said yes. Chair Larone asked if the Attendant would be available later this week to help him start the roof construction on Thursday. Janet will check. He also suggested using steel on the roof rather than shingles due to the low pitch on the roof. Rafters can be farther apart. Chair Larone and John Wilson agreed to measure for the roof following this meeting.

Mayor Eady arrived.

7. DELEGATIONS

There were no delegations at the meeting.

8. STAFF REPORTS

There were no staff reports.

9. MONTHLY REPORTS

9.1 Annual General Calendar

Chair Larone reviewed the November work set out in the calendar.

9.2 Contamination List

Chair Larone asked when the signage would be up. Ms. Collins said the signs have been made up and now have been delivered to the Landfill Site. She described where the signs would be placed. John Wilson noted that the contamination in the roll off bin seems to be getting less.

He suggested that there should be an ad placed in the Horton Corner thanking the public for cooperating. The members agreed.

9.3 Monthly Tonnage Report

Chair Larone noted that there were only 3 grindings this year rather than the contracted 4 which saves money. Janet Collins will confirm the invoices and grindings completed to date. He asked who estimated the quantities. Janet Collins said National Grinding provided the estimates.

Chair Larone asked for staff to carry out an inventory of blue boxes and composters at year end.

Mayor Eady noted that the co-mingled recycling from the Golf Club has doubled over the year. He said it was worthwhile for Chair Larone to encourage the Club to increase their recycling efforts.

Chair Larone asked about the billing process and paper trail for extra openings of the landfill site. Ms. Collins reviewed the process. He asked if an employee was there to receive the truck load. Ms. Collins said yes.

Mayor Eady questioned if the application form to deposit construction and demolition was being completed by the property owner before the waste was brought to the site. He added that the attendant should reject loads. Ms. Collins agreed that the rules and regulations need to be solidified.

The Members agreed that the haulers are to be contacted again with the application forms required to be completed by the property owners before the waste will be accepted.

Chair Larone said that co-mingling of waste delivered to the landfill sites is becoming a major issue and he heard at the convention that there is need to have a consistent message sent to the people. This will become more restrictive in the future.

10. DIVERSION

There was no discussion on diversion issues.

11. REVENUE & EXPENDITURE REPORT/OUTSTANDING INVOICES

11.1 Statement of Revenue & Expense

The members reviewed the statement of revenue and expenses.

Chair Larone advised that at the convention they heard from a lawyer representing the municipalities in the Blue Box funding program. The issue of the stewards not paying 50% of the cost for the blue box program has gone to Arbitration and the results haven't been released yet.

Chair Larone suggested that if we move the pile of ground waste too soon it doesn't have an opportunity to rot in the pile. He suggested we go back to this former way of moving the ground up waste. Janet Collins said that there are some types of waste that cannot wait to be buried. She said she has ordered signs and is planning on creating three distinct areas for the C & D waste, clean wood and garbage using snow fence. Chair Larone agreed, noting that it will help isolate the materials and assist the attendant in directing people where to dump their load.

Chair Larone said that the future of landfill site management includes separation of materials. We have already started this. Some of the markets we have been chasing are here now and starting to come to small municipalities. We need to look at what needs to be modified in the program and move forward. It will result in longevity and possibly budget savings. We may have to place a concrete base in several cells to alleviate concerns about contamination. He heard at the conference that if we don't segregate drywall we will have contamination issues with the new gypsum. But it needs to be stored dry. The City of Hamilton uses this as fertilizer and spreads on farmer's fields. It has proven to increase production. John Wilson asked what the farmer needs to do to accept gypsum. When we find out we can send the information to our farmers who can take our waste.

Mayor Eady said in his experience windblown litter is a concern. Lack of litter gives a good first impression when people enter the site.

12. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

There was no outstanding business to discuss.

13. CORRESPONDENCE

The Members reviewed the following correspondence:

- 13.1 CIF – Ontario Recycler Workshop & P & E Training Course
- 13.2 WDO – CEO Update, October 27, 2014
- 13.3 WDO – OTR Tires Review Working Paper, October 22, 2014

Chair Larone asked if the 6 municipality consortium we are part of would offer assistance to complete our annual data call reporting. Janet Collins said that the same person doing the data call for a number of municipalities would help as then all datacalls would be completed in the same manner. However, the CIF has not yet agreed to a grant requirement for the consortium to do this work jointly. The original study was to put the group together and the next grant is to fund the recommendations from the first study.

14. OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Eady, being his last meeting as a Member of the Committee reminded the Members and staff that we have to develop a plan to use the approximate 1 metre of space over the current covered site before we start the expanded site. He thanked John Wilson for his work over the years. He added that he was happy when Jamey Larone came on board who took the site to a whole new level. He thanked all the staff individually for their involvement in improving the site.

Chair Larone said a trip by the three members to the Barrie area was the start of the improvements his committee made to the site. He thanked Mayor Eady for his mentorship and staff for their assistance and input. He said it is nice to be recognized outside our community for the changes that have been implemented. He suggested that Rob Cook, Director of the Ontario Waste Management Association attend a future County Council Meeting to speak to the Heads of Council about the good things the Association has accomplished. He noted that Horton has been the only municipality in the county to attend any of the conventions of this Association.

Chair Larone briefly reviewed the Conference he and Mayor Eady attended last week in Toronto. There now appears to be a market for carpets and mattresses. Tri-cycle in the Kitchener area will take carpets and Lafleche have a market for mattresses in Montreal. Mayor Eady referred to a "Mike" (didn't have last name) that is the only company licenced in Ontario to accept hazardous waste. We should make sure any of the contaminated soil we accept from fuel spills is not considered hazardous.

Chair Larone said we need to make sure our attendants are documenting the activities properly at the landfill site to make sure our operating rules and regulations are being followed. He said the issue of MPAC assessing landfill sites will comeback in the future.

John Wilson thanked Mayor Eady and Chair Larone for working well together and thanked the Township for appointing him to the Committee.

15 NEXT MEETING

The members agreed to leave the date and time of the next meeting to the Chair to appointed by Mayor Elect Kingsbury.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by John Wilson, Seconded by Don Eady that this Committee Meeting be adjourned at 3:48 p.m.

Carried

CHAIR

CAO/Clerk