

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

August 9, 2005

There was a meeting of the Waste Management Committee held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Tuesday August 9, 2005. Present were Chair Don Eady, Councillor Bob Kingsbury (until 3:55), and Reeve Robert A. Johnston. Also present were Rod Eady, Public Works Superintendent and Mackie McLaren, CAO/Clerk.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Eady called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

2. CHRIS KUNOPASKI, PUBLIC WORKS SUPT. ADMASTON/BROMLEY

Chair Eady welcomed Mr Kunopaski to the Committee Table. He informed the Committee that Mr Kunopaski has recently purchased a used garbage packer truck for the Township of Admaston/Bromley, and asked Mr Kunopaski to discuss the details.

Mr Kunopaski said the truck was a used truck, purchased for \$20,000. from a company called Modern Disposal in Niagara Falls. He flew to Hamilton and was picked up and taken to their facility where he had the opportunity to pick from one of four vehicles. The Company safetied the vehicle. They use the packer truck for their transfer depot at their Stone Road Landfill Site. Mr Kunopaski said there are also recycling trucks there which are less expensive.

Chair Eady asked if he would be able to get a used packer truck or used recycling truck for \$30,000. or less? Mr Kunopaski thought so.

Mr Kunopaski discussed the operation of their Transfer Depot and their Recycling Depot.

Chair Eady reviewed the projections he had prepared, last year, for the purchase of a garbage truck and recycling truck to carry out our own collection. Copies were made for members and staff. After discussing this the Committee thanked Mr Kunopaski for attending and sharing his information.

3. ANDREW POLLEY, SENIOR ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER, MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT

Mr Polley was present to review the operation of the Landfill Site and to discuss what is required to carry out amendments to our Certificate of Approval and Operations and Site Development Plan, due to the regrounding we are now doing and the storage of asphalt shingles etc.

Firstly, Mr Polley presented the CAO/Clerk with a consolidated copy of all the Certificates of Approval that have been approved for our Landfill Site over the years so they could be put in one spot. He reviewed the 2004 Annual Report which is a good type of report and said that he uses this as a model for other municipalities. Overall the operation is good at the Landfill Site. There are a few items that have to be brought to our attention - fill beyond boundaries, C of A amendment for grinding and using the regrind material as daily cover. He noted that the Site Plan Operations and Development Plan will have to be amended to show this activity and that it is not referenced on our Annual Report.

Asphalt shingles make excellent cover material either reground or in their full state. Brush is ground but it would be easier not to separate it and thus let it be ground up with all the other regrind. Tires – the area needs to be cleaned up, there are tires on the berm etc. although the number of tires there are within regulation limits. The garbage is placed beyond the footprint that is licensed and we need to push the material back. We need to delineate the boundaries with pickets. Fire protection is required, a thirty metre fire break around the regrind area. This would involve removing all the grass and the topsoil down to the natural soil. This would save over time by permitting the bulldozer to be able to back blade after cleanups etc.

Councillor Kingsbury left the meeting at this point.

Mr Polley discussed monitoring wells. There is a need to secure and maintain them. He suggested that the Annual Report contain a list, like a spreadsheet, of all the wells stating their conditions and any repair work that has been done, including pictures. This would serve as an inventory and could be used for recommendations for upgrade purposes. He suggested that we consider investigating to see if we can reduce the monitoring program by reducing the number of wells that are not tested any more. These would have to be decommissioned properly. By reducing the number of parameters they are tested for the frequency of monitoring could be reduced, as the site now has had many years of testing and lots of information is known about the site. These are all options to discuss with our water testing company.

Chair Eady discussed the possibility of expanding our Site by moving over to the area that has a closed trench method and he asked if there was a possibility of re-compacting the closed site prior to putting more garbage in. Mr Polley said this was totally dependant on how the Engineer designs the expansion program. Test pits would have to be done first to evaluate the soil conditions to see if it would be practical to do this. For some municipalities it works as a saving and for some it has not. Mr Polley encouraged the Committee to start the expansion process as soon as possible. The process starts with a cost benefit analysis on various alternatives to land filling. In the meantime he suggested that we redirect as many items as we possibly can from the landfill site through recycling methods, to keep the capacity that we have left.

Chair Eady said small amounts of household hazardous materials i.e. waste oil, batteries have been stored on the Site over the winter months awaiting the opening of the Renfrew Household Hazardous Waste Depot of which we are a member. Can this continue? Mr Polley said it could continue if we had an amendment to our C of A. He would not suggest we get into the dangerous items like pesticides and whatever. We need to sit down with our Engineer to develop what changes we want to do and then make an application for a C of A amendment. He suggested that there would be a need for revising our total C of A. Currently the C of A consists of many amendments and this would be an opportunity to redraft one new C of A for the entire operation of the Site as many of the requirements have now been met. Staff can do this by putting it into a draft form and then sending it to him for comment prior to submitting it with the application for C of A amendment for the Site changes.

Council thanked Mr Polley for attending the meeting and Mr Polley left at 4:45 p.m.

#### 4. LANDFILL SITE EXPANSION

Chair Eady informed the Committee that over the last several years when the annual report has been submitted the engineers have been suggesting that we start the expansion process and he suggested that this is the time to consider this activity. The Committee agreed to recommend to Council that they authorize our Engineering Firm to draft an estimate of the cost and time lines for an expansion study for Council to consider. In the meantime the CAO/Clerk was authorized to start the review of the C of A document itself.

5. REVIEW TENDER DOCUMENTS FOR GARBAGE COLLECTION AND RECYCLING COLLECTIONS AND PROCESSING.

The Committee reviewed the Tenders for Garbage Recycling and Collection. They agreed that the Tender should be for two years plus a one year option. They agreed that the Recycling Contract should have sections removed on security deposit and letter of credit and in its place the ten percent holdback provisions similar to the Garbage Contract be put in.

The CAO/Clerk was authorized to finalise the Tender document within the next seven days and advertise it with a closing date of September 20, 2005 at 3:00 p.m.

6. NEED TO ORDER BLUE BOXES

The CAO/Clerk informed the Committee that we are down to approximately ten blue boxes and we need to place an order for more. He presented pricing of \$6.43 and \$7.21 per box from two companies that were used for the last order, based on 500 boxes. The CAO/Clerk was authorized to contact other Municipalities to see if they wanted to either join in on an order or if someone was already in the process of getting quotes, that we could join in with them. Alternatively the CAO/Clerk was asked to see if any Municipalities wished to sell us 100 blue boxes from their stock. The CAO/Clerk was authorized to spend up to \$1,000.00 to purchase blue boxes.

7. OTHER BUSINESS - Next Meeting

The Committee agreed to meet September 20, 2005 at 3:00 p.m. This would be just prior to the HR and Planning Meeting.

The Public Works Superintendent, discussed a meeting held in Eganville on Alternatives to Waste Management. Attending were Brudenell/Lynch/Raglan Township, Killaloe/Hagarty/Richards Township, Bonnechere Valley, Greater Madawaska, Madawaska Valley, Admaston/Bromley and Horton Township. These municipalities have expressed a concern with using the Pembroke and Area Waste Management and after meeting with Pembroke and Area did not like the cost to join Pembroke and Area. Rod Eady suggested that the next step was for all council members in this group to gather to discuss options. He will prepare a Report for the next meeting.

Rod Eady also reported on the condition of the Landfill Site at this date and time.

8. CONFIRMING RESOLUTION

Moved by Robert A. Johnston

Seconded by Rod Eady

That Council pass this confirming resolution to validate any actions or directions given during the open portion of this meeting which are minor in nature and which were not set out in By-law or Resolution.

Carried.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Rod Eady

Seconded by Robert A. Johnston

That this Committee Meeting be adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Carried.