

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

FEBRUARY 13, 2006

There was a meeting of the Waste Management Committee held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Monday February 13, 2006. Present were Chair Don Eady, Councillor Bob Kingsbury, Reeve Robert A. Johnston, also present were Councillors Dave Bennett and Deputy Reeve Bob Hall.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Eady called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There was no declaration of pecuniary interest from members of Council.

3. STANTEC/GOLDER

Present from Stantec were Gerry Lalonde and Sara Watt, his associate, and present from Golder was Chris Marentette.

Sarah Watt said the purpose of this meeting is to review the options the Committee want considered under the Waste Management Planning document they have been asked to prepare and to review what would be the most appropriate option for the Township to handle their residual waste left after any recycling. A background Report is prepared and a Terms of Reference Report is required. She asked for a copy of the costs supplied last year to buy into the Pembroke and Area Program and a copy of the Agreement to purchase the land from the Bars' in the 1990's.

Gerry Lalonde suggested the Terms of Reference include other technologies we do not normally consider. This is so we can show our ratepayers we have considered the newer technology that is out there. We need to consider whether we are looking at a ten, twenty or forty year planning period. After discussion the agreed upon planning period would be whatever the Landfill Site could hold, forty years if possible. He noted that the Provincial waste diversion figure of 60% is a figure that is high to reach in rural municipalities. The only way to reach this is through curbside collection of organics in the rural area, this has not been working. The other way is to promote backyard composting. There are special wastes that must be considered and these include household hazardous waste and septage sludge, as discussed by Councillor Bennett.

A final report will be prepared but prior to this a draft report will be submitted for review. Do we want public participation in the draft report? It was agreed that this decision would be made when the draft report is prepared. It was estimated that it should be ready in three to six months time.

Review Amended C of A Application

The Committee reviewed the draft C of A to change the operation plan. The Committee recommended we proceed with the application.

Chair Eady thanked the representatives from Stantec and Golder for attending. They left at approximately 6:10 p.m.

4. MWIN WORKSHOP FOLLOWING GOOD ROADS CONVENTION

The Committee discussed the need to attend this Workshop and suggested that Councillors Bennett and Eady would attend.

Reeve Johnston and Councillor Kingsbury left at this time.

5. BEAR WISE PROGRAM 2006

The Committee discussed a 2006 application. The CAO/Clerk was asked to contact Jeremy Inglis of Ministry of Natural Resource, to see how long the program will be offered. Can we do permanent chain link fences in stages of three to four years? It was suggested that as we are doing site expansion studies we do not know the entire area to be fenced at this time.

Deputy Reeve Hall left the meeting at this point.

The application for Bear Wise Program would include chain link fencing along the front plus two additional front load containers adding to the number received last year.

6. JOINT PURCHASE OF BLUE BOXES

The CAO/Clerk reported that he has received pricing from two companies for the purchase of 1300 blue boxes. This is a joint purchase of blue boxes from a number of municipalities in the County. The prices received are Busch Systems \$6.88 per box, A 1 Plastics \$7.11 per box. The Committee recommended that we purchase blue boxes from Busch Systems. Included in the order are 200 blue boxes for our own use.

7. ESTABLISH VOLUNTARY DROP OFF FOR PLASTIC BAGS

The CAO/Clerk reported that this was asked to be put on the Agenda from the last Regular Council Meeting. The Committee agreed to discuss this at another date.

8. CURBSIDE PICKUP

Councillor Eady expressed concern that we do not have an arrangement with Beaumen for Blue Box pickup after May 1, 2006. He would like to see a deal completed by February 28, 2006 for budget purposes. We have done the research work for going on our own pickup and we know those costs.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Eady suggested that we write to Andrew Polley, Senior Environmental Officer for Renfrew County, to advise him that we have completed all his outstanding issues in the 2004 Annual Report. The Committee agreed.

Next Meeting

The Committee agreed to meet March 9, 2006 at 4:00 p.m.

10. CONFIRMING RESOLUTION

Moved by Bob Kingsbury

Seconded by Don Eady

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

Carried.

11. ADJOURNMENT.

Councillor Eady declared the meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Chair

CAO/Clerk