

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 19, 2006

There was a meeting of the Waste Management Committee held in the Municipal Council Chamber on Tuesday September 19, 2006. Present were Chair Don Eady, Councillor Bob Kingsbury and Reeve Robert A. Johnston.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Eady called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There was no declaration of pecuniary interest.

3. MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 20, 2006

Chair Eady reviewed the Minutes.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

There was no business arising from the Minutes

5. DELEGATION

The Committee received a delegation from a commercial property owner concerning the Provincial Brownfield's Program. The Committee welcomed the property owners. The CAO/Clerk reported on a meeting that Reeve Johnston, Councillor Kingsbury and himself had attended with Ministry of Municipal Affairs Officials, while at the Ontario East Municipal Conference in Kingston September 20, 2006. They learned that before any application can be received for a Brownfield loan or grant the Township must have a Community Improvement Plan in place. This Community Improvement Plan is prepared for our local Township and can be as specific as looking at one property, one area or the entire Township. The Community Improvement Plan sets out the details of what properties would be eligible for Brownfield Programs and how the program would benefit out ratepayers.

The Committee suggested that the applicants consider appealing their assessment as the property has less value now, due to an environmental problem. The owner and the Clerk completed the forms during this part of the meeting. After discussion it was agreed to bring this issue forward to the Planning Committee to get their recommendation on developing a Community Improvement Plan.

6. PILOT PROJECT ON COMPOSTED WASTE

Chair Eady reported that the Landfill Site is about 70% solid earth after the garbage has been composted naturally. We need to find a way to develop this compost into a useful material and to remove it from our Landfill Site. We know that we can separate and screen any solids out of the composted garbage. Before we engage an engineer to develop this proposal further he would like authority to conduct two water tests, one would be to take a five gallon pail of the composted earth and drain surface water through it, collect the water and analyze it for what is in it.. The second would be to do the same only with percolating tap water through the composted earth to see what the difference was. He suggested that we do this testing immediately and when we have the results make arrangements to talk to the Ministry of Environment, about this program as a pilot project.

There are several uses or alternatives for this composted earth, if we can not remove it from the site. We could request permission to use it as part of the three foot cover which would add six years to the life of our Site. He reported that the ultimate goal is to turn the Site into a Garbage Processing Site, rather than a Landfill Site. We can get rid of the earth for fill somewhere after a number of years to allow the composting. If this works we can amend our Certificate of Approval to accept garbage from other municipalities for

a tipping fee. After discussion the Committee agreed to authorize the CAO/Clerk to research a lab and costs to test the water from the two samples discussed earlier.

7. SET TERMS AND CONDITIONS TO RECEIVE WASTE AND TO ISSUE PERMITS TO BRING CONTAMINATED WASTE AND DEBRIS INTO THE SITE

Councillor Eady reported that there was a need for the Township to control the contaminated waste and building debris that is coming into the Site and suggested that we do this by the issuance of a Permit. The permit would not cost any money, but would require the property owners or haulers to come to the office prior to coming to the site, to receive information on how material is to be segregated and on the amount of the tipping fee. The Committee discussed the tipping fee for fuel contaminated material which is \$20 per cubic yard. They suggested that this fee is too high, although the Township has to turn the contaminated soil several times before the contamination is removed. Our costs would be recovered by being able to use the earth as cover.

Moved by Bob Kingsbury, seconded by Robert A Johnston

That the Waste Management Committee recommends to Council that the tipping fee for contaminated soil be reduced from \$20 per cubic metre to \$5 per cubic metre retroactive to June 01, 2006.

Carried.

Chair Eady asked if the Committee would recommend a permit for soil and demolition debris., as we need to set out the conditions for receiving these waste. The CAO/Clerk was authorized to canvas other municipalities to see what their terms and conditions are for receiving these types of waste into their Landfill Sites.

8. WASTE MANAGEMENT DUTY CALENDAR

Chair Eady presented a copy of a calendar he and staff have reviewed which sets out the duties which are required by the Waste Management Committee on a monthly basis. It also sets out who is responsible to carry the function out. He also presented an Organizational Chart for the Waste Management Committee. He informed the Committee the advantage of this is that it permits the CAO/Clerk to delegate the operational duties and also serves as a guide for future Council members. The Committee members suggested that this template could be used by all Committees to set out what and who does the required work. The Committee Members accepted the Duty Calendar.

9. SEPTEMBER CALENDAR REQUIREMENTS

Chair Eady referred to the September Duty Calendar and the following items are to be discussed:

Budget to Actual

The Committee studied the August 31 budget to actual review. It was noted that the tires have not been removed yet to a Recycling Plant. The CAO/Clerk was authorized to contact the former Tire Recycling Company to see what their costs would be to remove the tires.

Public Works - Maintenance of Property and Equipment Report

The Committee agreed to wait until the next meeting as Rod Eady, Public Works Superintendent was not present at this meeting.

Landfill Site Cards

The Committee authorized staff to start preparing and ordering the cards for 2007.

Revenue and Receivables for August

The CAO/Clerk reported that the Township received \$635.00 in tipping fees in August and \$18.00 in Blue box sales.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee discussed the need for the Ontario Provincial Police to patrol by the Landfill Site during hours that it is closed in an attempt to find out who the people are who are continually breaking into the Site. The also discussed the need for security for certain events at the Community Centre.

11. NEXT MEETING

The Committee agreed to meet October 10, 2006 at 8:30 a.m.

12. CONFIRMING RESOLUTION

Moved by Robert A. Johnston, seconded by Bob Kingsbury

That the Committee pass this Confirming Resolution to validate any action or directions 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.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Bob Kingsbury, seconded by Robert A Johnston

That the Waste Management Committee Meeting be adjourned at 10:24 a.m.

Carried.

Chair

CAO/Clerk