

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

JULY 24, 2007

There was a Meeting of the Waste Management Committee held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Tuesday July 24, 2007. Present were Chair Don Eady, John Wilson and Mayor 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. MINUTES OF JUNE 26, 2007
The Committee reviewed the June 26, 2007 Committee Minutes.
4. BUSINESS ARISING

Lesway Metal Recycling

Rod Eady, Public Works Superintendent was unable to be present as he was involved with gravel contracts, but did report to the CAO/Clerk that he spoke with Bill Lesway concerning the proposal of Kenyon Auto Centre to pay us \$60 per ton for metal recycling. Mr. Lesway reported that other municipalities are trying to get out of contracts with Kenyon because Kenyon does not pick up the recycling until it is a huge pile. The Committee agreed to research the Kenyon contracts with other municipalities to see if they do have concerns

Chair Eady also suggested that we contact Yolkowskie Salvage for a quotation. The Committee agreed.

Regrind Work

Rod Eady had reported that the contractor is ready to start Wednesday August 1, 2007. Chair Eady noted that representatives from the Town of Renfrew and representatives from McNab/Braeside had asked to observe this process. It was agreed that they be invited for Thursday August 2, 2007 at 10:00 am when the Committee Members will be at the Site.

Tax Insert Wording

The Committee members reviewed the draft wording for the Waste Management Committee Report in the Tax Insert. The Committee Members agreed with the wording. Chair Eady reminded the CAO/Clerk that there were extra Recycling Calendars produced last December to be included in this mail out also.

Kenyon Tire Recycling – Also Moose Creek Tire

The CAO/Clerk reported that he has now been in contact with Kenyon Tire Recycling and Auto Centre. They do have a contract for \$120 per ton for tires, which is less than the \$200 we paid in the past, however, to get that price we must have a contract for the Metal Recycling.

The CAO/Clerk reported that John Wilson had suggested he contact of Moose Creek Tire which he did and their price is \$200 per tonne. Chair Eady instructed the Clerk to get rid of the tires as soon as possible. The Committee agreed.

Beauman Waste Management

Chair Eady reported that in the June 26, 2007 Minutes he was to contact Dan Menard and he has had no luck. However, John Wilson represented the Committee at a Meeting in McNab/Braeside, July 16, 2007, that was called to discuss the possibility of a group of municipalities purchasing the Beauman operation. Mr. Wilson said that we would receive an invitation to appoint two Council Members to attend future meetings. The Committee agreed to recommend that Chair Eady and Mayor Johnston be the Council representatives.

Chair Eady said he will bring up a suggestion at the next Meeting, organized by McNab/Braeside that a Consultant be engaged to report on the worth of the Beauman Company and the future costs to run the Company.

5. RULES FOR OPERATION OF LANDFILL SITE – FINAL VERSION FOR APPROVAL.

The Committee Members reviewed the Rules for the Operation of the Landfill Site and made several minor changes. The Committee agreed that they would now recommend these Rules to Council for approval at the next Council Meeting.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

Stewardship Ontario – First Quarter Blue Box Grant \$5,108.13

The Committee received information and a cheque representing the quarterly payment for the 2007 Residential Blue Box Recycling Program in the amount of \$5,108.13.

MWIN - Trophy for John Wilson, Golf Tournament Winner

The Committee received information that John Wilson and his foursome won the Golf Tournament at the MWIN Conference in June 2007.

7. JULY CALENDAR

a. Actual to Budget Report

The Committee reviewed the Actual to Budget Report as of July 24, 2007. There was a question about amounts of money being under the Excavation and Maintenance Line and the Sand and Cover Material Line which did not have any budget amounts against. The CAO/Clerk was requested to investigate what makes up these funds and produce copies of these invoices.

b. Public Works Report on Property and Equipment

There was no report as Mr. Rod Eady was not present.

c. Receivables/Revenue

The CAO/Clerk reported that we have received \$1,561.00 since the last Report and there is \$100.00 receivable that was invoiced July 5, 2007. Approximately five to six loads of logs have been received from Hydro and nothing has been invoiced yet.

d. Mid Year Actual to Budget Review

This was reviewed under Item a.

8. MARC LeSIEUR – SENIOR ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER, DISTRICT OF OTTWA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT

Mr. LeSieur was present, Chair Eady welcomed him to the meeting and described our Landfill Operation and invited him to tour the Site following the meeting.

Mr. LeSieur said he had reviewed our 2006 Annual Report and had made two comments, one, the need to start Side Expansion and two the Re grind Material was not on the footprint. Chair Eady reviewed what changes have been made to the Site in the last six years. He discussed the, one day test with a screening plant last year. He added that he hopes to do this for a longer period this year, with the MOE and Township Engineers present to view the operation. The long term goal is to move the composted earth to a storage location on the Site for later use as final cover, or ship it off site.

Mr. LeSieur said the reclaimed material would have to meet their control guidelines which could permit using it for cover but not for resale. He added that landfill reclaiming, or mining is a possibility with the changes to the new regulations with an Environmental Protection Act approval (EPA). Chair Eady noted that with the screening operation last year the plastic from bags was evident in the screened debris. There is a suggestion that this be taken to the plasma trial in Ottawa. Mr. LeSieur said that he was not the Ministry contact for that pilot project, but could speak to the Ministry person in charge to see if materials from outside the city limits can be accepted.

Mr. LeSieur said that the material would have to have “inert” classification to leave the Landfill Site as top soil or as cover for other municipalities’ landfill sites. A copy of the soil test results from Acutest Lab, that was carried out this spring, was given to Mr. LeSieur.

Mr. LeSieur noted that as we are amending our Certificate of Approval for expansion, it would be a good time to put all the C of A amendments into this new application, i.e. screening, shipping off-site etc. Chair Eady asked if adding extra to the application would slow down the approval process? Mr. LeSieur said no – it would not if everything was set out properly and there were no grey areas in the application, the approval process is slow anyway.

John Wilson asked if it was better to deal directly with Mark LeSieur as well as our Consultant in this application, as the consultants are only recording what they believe our intent is for the expansion and the changes. Mr. LeSieur said the application goes to Toronto with a copy to their office in Ottawa, who are asked for comments. The Committee agreed that he would be kept informed during this process.

Chair Eady asked if it would be advisable for someone at Approvals Branch in Toronto to come and attend our Site for the application process? Mr. LeSieur said this does not usually happen due to work loads, but they could be asked.

Chair Eady noted that this would be a Pilot Project for which we would ask the Province for financial assistance, as this would be the first in Ontario and if successful would assist all the small rural landfill sites.

John Wilson asked if the Township entered into an agreement with another township or municipality to ship our earth for their cover, would this be included in the expansion application? Mr. LeSieur said that you can do that and the receiving site would have to make sure that their Certificate of Approval would permit waste from outside their boundary, otherwise a minor CofA would be required for them. He agreed that the Amendment include the possibility of sending material off-site.

Chair Eady thanked Mr. LeSieur for attending and they went to the Landfill Site following the adjournment of this meeting.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

Quote on Recycling Bins

Chair Eady reported that the Province is still pushing for 60% recycling and the only way to do this is for our ratepayers to compost their organic waste, ie kitchen scraps. As we cannot afford a second curbside collection for the organic waste our only option is to encourage people to set up a backyard composter. He requested that the Committee authorize that quotes be received for 1500 blueboxes, 1500 backyard composters and 1500 kitchen compost baskets. These prices will be used to generate a Report on the cost of expansion and on a two and a half Official Plan of the Site that is required.

Compaction and Covering Contract

Chair Eady reported that Brian Dedo has had a major breakdown with his bulldozer which he uses to compact and cover at the Landfill Site. He has an opportunity to purchase a newer and larger machine and has asked for the Township to extend the current Contract for five years. The Committee were generally in favour of this. Chair Eady is to check with Mr. Dedo what his rate per hour will be during this extension. Mr. Dedo and the CAO/Clerk will work out the details for the Committee.

10. NEXT MEETING

The Committee agreed to meet Tuesday August 21, 2007 at 8:30 a.m.

11. CONFIRMING RESOLUTION

Moved by John Wilson, seconded by Don Eady

That the Committee pass this confirming resolution to validate any actions 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.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Don Eady, seconded by John Wilson

That this Committee Meeting be adjourned at 10:23 p.m.

Chair

CAO/Clerk