

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HORTON

**WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

MARCH 27, 2008

There was a meeting of the Waste Management Committee held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Thursday, March 27, 2008. Present were Councillor Bob Kingsbury, John Wilson, also present were staff Jeff Schruder Infrastructure Manager, Rod Eady Public Works Superintendent and Mackie McLaren CAO/Clerk. Chair Don Eady was absent on sick leave.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Committee appointed Councillor Kingsbury to be acting Chair for the meeting. He called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m.

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY

There was no declaration of pecuniary interest.

3. MINUTES OF JANUARY 17, 2008, COMMITTEE MEETING

Acting Chair Kingsbury reviewed the Minutes of the January 17, 2008 Meeting. They had already been approved by Council.

4. BUSINESS ARISING

E-Waste Depot Box

Rod Eady referred to Item 4 in the Minutes, and reported that Winter is almost behind us now and his staff will have time to get the Depot Box ready and delivered to the Landfill Site.

Cloth Grocery Bags

John Wilson reported that his last contact with Mr. & Mrs Stirling of No Frills, Loblaws had informed them that they would not be putting any money into donating cloth bags to our residents. He will discuss the issue of cost sharing between the Township and Mr. & Mrs Sterling and report back at the next meeting.

Regrind Tender

Jeff Schruder reported that the Tender document has been made up and sent out. The Tender closes April 1, 2008. One tender has been received to date.

Joint Recycling Committee

Acting Chair Kingsbury reported about a meeting he attended on the investigation of various municipalities to purchase Beauman's operation.

5. TWO BAG LIMIT

Public Meeting Date – April 15, 2008

The Committee stated that the Public Meeting date was set previously for April 15, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Horton Community Centre to received public input into the proposal of the Committee to proceed to a two bag limit of garbage at the curbside.

Prepare Presentation

After discussion the CAO/Clerk was directed to gather information on:

- What increase in space would be available at the Landfill Site if more people recycled, to determine what additional grants will be available if we do go to a two bag limit
- Contact municipalities in the County to see what their bag limits are. Councillor Kingsbury suggested that as we are applying for additional capacity in the Landfill Site, this will show to the Province that we are working to restrict waste entering the Site.

- The Committee agreed that they would need to develop a policy, how to handle the situation when more than two bags are set out at the curb. We need to provide another option for the ratepayers.
- At the start it was suggested that extra bags at the Landfill Site be free. Monitor the increase in the number of bags brought into the Site, if any, and a decision will be made later if there is any charge for garbage bags brought to the Landfill Site.
- There was discussion about whether there was a need for an exception for large users, where the owner could possibly apply for an exemption which would be approved by the Committee, or alternatively have an option that they purchase extra tags to attach to the bags over two each week.
- Inform the public at the presentation that this is a trial that will be reviewed after one year.

The Committee discussed Blue Boxes. The CAO/Clerk had contacted all municipalities in the County to see how many wanted to join an order to purchase blue boxes – no other municipalities were interested. It was agreed that one blue box would be given free to each property owner as an incentive to recycle for a two bag limit.

Moved by Rod Eady, seconded by John Wilson

That the Waste Management Committee recommend to Council that the Township order 1500 blue boxes to be given to each residence and cottage as a promotion on the implementation of a two bag limit.

**Carried.**

It was agreed that the CAO/Clerk draft a presentation for the Committee to consider. The Committee agreed to meet on April 8, 2008 at 8:30 a.m. to view the presentation and make any changes.

Draft Notice

The CAO/Clerk agreed to prepare a draft notice and send it to the newspapers.

6. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Acting Chair Kingsbury reviewed the correspondence:

- Joint Recycling Committee – next meeting April 4, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.  
Renfrew Recreation Centre – forward MOE questions prior to this meeting
- Marlene Hube – letter re curbside collection on private roads
- Stewardship Ontario - \$1,183.75 revenue from LCBO deposit return program
- AMO – MOE Approval of MHSW Program Plan – Phase 1

Acting Chair Kingsbury noticed in a recent newspaper article Admaston-Bromley Township collects batteries and oil at their Landfill Site to be taken to the Renfrew Hazardous Waste Centre when it opens in the Spring. The CAO/Clerk was to check to see what the new C of A states for Horton Landfill Site in this regard. Rod Eady noted that we do store batteries and some liquids when they do come into the Landfill Site when the Renfrew Site is not open.

John Wilson said he supports what we are now doing, but is concerned about the environmental impact to our Land Fill Site if we have a full blown Special Waste Depot. He supports using the Renfrew Household Hazardous Waste Depot. Acting Chair Kingsbury said there was a need to stop people from putting batteries and waste oils into the Landfill Site in garbage bags.

7. **OTHER BUSINESS**

Rod Eady reported that Bill Yantha has not encountered any problems at the Landfill Site. He will check into the safety of the tandem truck at the Landfill Site. Acting Chair Kingsbury asked how the access roads in the Site were for travelling in the Spring thaw? Rod Eady reported that he is watching and prepared to spread several loads of gravel.

However, the Site was fixed up last year and has stood up well. Acting Chair Kingsbury suggested that Bill Lesway be requested to pick up metal from the recycling bin before the Spring breakup.

8. NEXT MEETING

The committee had agreed to meet April 8, 2008 at 8:30 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Committee will be April 17, 2008 at 8:30 a.m.

9. CONFIRMING RESOLUTION

Moved by Rod Eady, seconded by Jeff Schruder

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.**

10. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by John Wilson, seconded by Rod Eady

That this Waste Management Committee be adjourned at 9:45 a.m

**Carried.**

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Acting Chair

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CAO/Clerk