

Meeting Minutes

May 12, 2016 - 6:00 PM

Lakeside Community Centre

Attending: Chair Jack Mitchell, Vice Chair Scott Guthrie, Tom Robertson, Lindsay Gates, Mike Becigneul, Bob Angus, Andrew Giles, John Cascadden, R. Rankin, S. Adams

Mirror Representatives: Harold Johnson, Brian Dubblestyne, Steve Copp

Consultant – Ken Donnelly

Absent: Mayor Savage, R. Ibrahim, Murray Power, B. Dalrymple

Agenda

1. Approval Of Minutes – M-Rankin/ S-Adams

That the minutes of March 10, 2016 be approved as circulated - Motion Carried

2. Business Arising From Minutes

See attached letter to Mayor Savage re: community contribution fund.

3. Additional Agenda Items:

- a) Radon for next meeting
- b) Extended Producer Responsibility –request NSE to future meeting to discuss

4. Update from Mirror

Steve Copp provided info re: the transfer station commenced on March 14 with 8 - 12 loads per day. Approximately 225 tonnes a day are being trucked to Chester/West Hants. Residential waste for April was 3500 tonnes.

The FEP has 1 shift for 40 hours and the WSF is operating at 30 per cent capacity.

Mirror then provided an update on the cell 7 design, which will be built in 2 phases with Cell 7A being 500,000 cubic meters and Cell 7B having approximately the same capacity . The

total capacity should accommodate 20 years of projected residential waste. Changes to the design include the following:

- Reducing the 600 mm thick-75 mm clear stone cushion layer from 600 mm to 300 mm as per NSE landfill specifications.
- Cell 7a will use the cell 6 sump

It is expected that Cell 7a will be ready to accept waste prior to Cell 6 being filled to capacity.

The members were then given an opportunity to seek info/questions from Mirror representatives. The new arrangement is working satisfactorily.

It was also noted that the final agreement between Mirror and HRM, which is to be provided to the CMC, is yet to be received as the HRM is finishing the vetting of the bill for FOIPOP. We understand that the final agreement is consistent with the draft we received in December and hope to receive a copy of the signed agreement soon.

5. Otter Lake Act

A copy of the final private members bill and amendments are attached for your review. It is expected that final reading will take place on Friday.

The members were pleased to support the initiative by MLA Rankin which reinforces the issues of the footprint, 9 cells and existing height restrictions.

The Executive Director noted that the cost of advertising of the local bill is not absorbed by the Province meaning that MLA Rankin will be required to assume the cost of \$1000.00.

The issue was discussed and agreed that the Bill be presented to the Halifax Waste/Resource Society Annual Meeting for consideration by the Board of Directors for payment.

6. Website – Otter Lake – Presentation/Overview by Ken Donnelly

Ken projected the website on the screen and provided a detailed overview of the site with the many options to share and present information.

As Ken noted the CMC had agreed to utilize the website as the main communication vehicle supplemented with the ability to interact with social media being Facebook and Twitter. The site should become the go-to place for information on the activities of CMC, operation of the Otter Lake Landfill changes and/or improvements. The info will also provide meeting notices, minutes, newsletters etc.

The response from the meeting was very positive and helped to provide a better understanding of the cost being approx. \$10,000 to develop and activate.

There was general discussion and feedback provided but all felt this was a good start and also the site could be available for HRM re: education, separation and also Mirror.

6. Engaging the community

Ken provided an overview on actions with the assistance of the website to better engage the community relative to the operations and future of the landfill. This issue will be an ongoing challenge for the CMC.

7. Strategic plan review

Ken Meech provided a brief overview of the plan and the next steps to complete the plan detail. Also it is proposed to provide an ongoing update on the plan on the website.

The first major step in the plan was to develop the website as the primary communication vehicle.

8. Technical/CMC committee as included in the NSE permit for Otter Lake

The Executive Director shared a communication from Scott Morash – NSE – attached advising that the CMC will have 1 representative on the committee, which will focus on technical issues.

9. Approval Of Invoices As Attached

Moved By R. Rankin, Seconded By John Cascadden that the Beyond Attitude Invoices Re: Website Development Be Approved. Motion carried.

10. New business

The attached re :presentation to the private and local bills committee re :OTTER LAKE ACT.

The Executive Director noted for the record that the Annual Meeting of the Halifax Waste/Resource Society will be held on June 27 at 6.00 pm – Lakeside Community Centre.

The Vice Chair shared info re his attendance at a recent IPOANS banquet relative to their belief that they should be designated residential for solid waste collection.

11. In-camera Session

Moved by M. Bécigneul seconded by Tom Robertson that the meeting go incamera for a personnel issue. Motion carried.



At this point the non-members of the CMC committee and Reg Rankin departed the meeting, which was open only to members.