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North Renfrew Waste Management Board
Minutes of Meeting

Date: 1997 January 23

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Townships RBWM, Pt. Alexander, Meeting Room

(Meeting resumed on February 1, 1997, at the Village of Chalk River Council Chambers)

1. Review and Acceptance of Minutes of Last Meeting

1996 November 21

Councillor Roiha moved to accept the minutes without revision. Councillor Burton seconded the motion. Minutes accepted.

2. Business from Last Meeting

Amendments to Inter-municipal Agreement

A. LeClair distributed a copy of a letter signed by D. Cox formally apologizing to the Board regarding the original interpretation of clause 10.1 and offered to revised the clause without charge to the Board. This move follows the legal investigation by D. Cox dealing with landownership issue which concludes that a local municipality has the authority to acquire land (and not the Board). Subsequently, discussions regarding authority to acquire land, held during the Finance and General Government Committee of the Town of Deep River lead to the request by the Chairperson, Councillor D. Walker to have D. Cox revised the intermunicipal agreement free of charge.

Approvals by Council

Chalk River Council and Townships Council both both approved the Board's recommendations regarding landownership and applicant name for the Certificate of Approval.

Deep River Council approved the recommendation regarding applicant name, with reservation. Council does not approve that the agent for the Board be the Townships on the basis the Board does not have the authority to divert its responsibilities. Deep River Council reserved its decision with respect to landownership barring a second legal opinion from its legal counsel.

Zoning Amendments

Deep River Official Plan

Councillor Roiha stated that the Clerk/Treasurer, L. Simons, is investigating whether the Official Plan will need to be amended should the Town of Deep River hold title to the land.

Household Hazardous Waste - Short Term Plans

A. LeClair reported that a preliminary analysis of the first two mobile events was conducted, although no report has been finalized. Direction was requested with respect to a need for a thorough analysis considering that the new landfill site will accommodate the collection of a fair portion of the waste will managed on site. The original intent for a formal report was to analyse the results of the two first mobile events to justify the need for a permanent depot. It was decided to forgo the submission of a formal report.

3. EA Update

A. LeClair reported that J. Bullen of the EA Branch is in the process of finalizing the Blue-Review document for publication. There was a delay due to objections raised by the Algonquins during the Blue review, however the Algonquins have agreed to let the Ministry continue the review process..

4. EPA Update

5. Land Acquisition Process (*CONFIDENTIAL*)

Correspondence regarding land negotiations were distributed to members.

Issue 1: EPA Application

MOEE requires applicants to submit a complete application before the application is sent for review. Since the landownership issue has not been resolved, the Board has requested that the MOEE review the application nonetheless, given the unique circumstances. The MOEE agreed to review on the condition that AECL forward a letter stating its willingness to sell the land to us. Factoring the Native land claims issue, it was considered that this might negatively impact the negotiations with the Algonquins. The MOEE agreed, thus, eliminating the condition.

Issue 2: The Attenuation Zone

Discussions with respect to the nature and level of agreement for access took place, and, the Board forwarded its requirements and suggested to enter into a license agreement. One outstanding issue is the MOEE position with respect to an access agreement. The Ministry has yet to respond.

Discussions held on February 1

Some members of councils and municipal officials met with AECL earlier in the week. One issue that was addressed at that meeting was the land negotiation process. Doug Peters offered to review the matter with AECL members of the negotiation process to find a way to speed to process. Members of the Board discussed the impact of members of council and municipal officials speaking on the Board's behalf, given their limited knowledge of the negotiations. It was decided that a meeting with AECL would be in order.

6. Construction/Operation

Schedule of Activities

A draft project schedule of activities was distributed to members. The schedule includes a detailed view of activities leading up to the eventual in-service date. A. LeClair stated that this the schedule is offered to provide a sense of what will be required in terms of activities once the EPA Study is complete and the application for a Certificate of Approval is submitted to the MOEE. M. Richardson suggested to move the actual construction of the landfill site to the Spring of 1998, to factor in the required time to produce detailed design drawings and tendering process. If approvals are obtained in the Fall of 1997, and two months are required to produce the drawings and tender out for the construction, this would leave actual construction to start in the winter. Construction start in the spring would be more practical, and tendering out in the Fall of 1997 would commit the municipalities to funding for the construction of the site.

A. LeClair queried as to the possibility of starting some construction activities before winter. M. Richardson suggested that this would be not be possible if the Board does not obtain approval by the month of June. Chairman Nicks suggested the possibility of submitting a request to move the approvals process more quickly. A. LeClair, given the experience with the MOEE, would not be a possibility do to other Ministry priorities.

Some discussions took place regarding the supervision of the construction work. Members decided that the municipalities would pool resources. Further discussions regarding the coordination of efforts will be held closer to construction start time.

Detailed Cost Breakdown

Detailed preliminary figures for the construction, operation, closure and post-closure costs of the landfill site. Figures were provided by the sub-contractor, Janota/Patrick of Pembroke. A. LeClair stated that Steve Boland of Janota/Patrick is prepared to meet with the Board to discuss the figures in more detail. Members will address figures in a future meeting.

Apportionment of Costs (not addressed at this meeting)

Continuation of Monitoring Program (not addressed at this meeting)

7. SLC Update (not addressed)

8. Financial Update (discussions held on 1997 February 1)
MOEE Request for Payments (not addressed)
Monthly Report (not addressed)
Fourth Quarter Report (not addressed)

Budget Submission for 1997

A. LeClair distributed preliminary budget figures to members. In summary, the Board experienced a surplus of funds in the 1996 Budget year, due to unspent monies for consultant fees for uncompleted tasks which will now carryover to the 1997 Budget year. The surplus is partly do to MOEE funding in exceedance of projection. The actual amount will be confirmed in March of 1997. Also, A. LeClair stated that the 1996 and 1997 budget figures will need to be fine tuned before the budget submission is drafted and submitted for Board approval. Members reviewed the figures and commented on various aspects. Comments were noted and will be incorporated into the draft budget submission.

9. Other Business

Next Meeting

It was decided that the next meeting will be held on 1997 February 20.