



NORTH RENFREW LANDFILL OPERATIONS BOARD

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North Renfrew Landfill Operations Board Minutes of Meeting

Date: November 28, 2005
Time: 7:30 P.M.
Location: Point Alexander Meeting Room

Chair	Fred Adams	Town of Laurentian Hills	Present
Vice Chair	Hank van der Horn	Town of Deep River	Present
Councillor	Paul Rochefort	Town of Deep River	Regrets
Councillor	Dave Ethier	Town of Laurentian Hills	Present
	Jim Boulanger	Resident/Board Member	Present
Deputy Mayor	Glenn Doncaster	Town of Deep River	Present
	Earl Gust	SLC Chair	Present
	James Leon	Coordinator	Present

1. Call to order - The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:31 pm.
2. Declarations of Interest - None
3. Adoption of the Agenda for the current Meeting

Moved by: Jim Boulanger
Seconded by: Dave Ethier

That the Agenda for the current Meeting be accepted as presented. Carried.

4. Delegations - None.

5. Review and Acceptance of Minutes of Meeting of September 26, 2005

Moved by: Dave Ethier
Seconded by: Hank van der Horn

That the Minutes of the Board Meeting of September 26, 2005 be accepted as presented. Carried

6. Business arising from previous Minutes and not dealt with elsewhere in the Agenda

Hank van der Horn suggested that information about the SLC and recycling as it appears on the Board's website should be discussed. References to recycling at this point should be removed, as recycling is not part of the Board's mandate. Chair Adams stated that the Board is mandated to reduce the amount being landfilled. Hank recommended that the Board negotiate its mandate with both towns. Glenn Doncaster noted that if recycling becomes part of the Board's mandate, it would then have to look after the recycling contracts.

Chair Adams stated that the Deep River blue box list of acceptable materials is still not available to be added to the web page information. Glenn stated that Deep River does have a list and he would check into it.

Chair Adams stated that he and James had researched the changing of the SLC's mandate and it could be changed by the Board's authority and the change retained in the Board's files without additional MOE approval, but that the Board could not pass to the SLC any authority which the Board itself has not been granted, and the Board at present has no authority with regard to recycling except when recyclable material is actually brought to the landfill site. The Chair added that the Board should have an SLC that is alive, active, and able to demonstrate their accomplishments. He noted that at least one SLC member felt discouraged when SLC efforts were hampered in 2005. SLC Chair Earl Gust stated that SLC members strive to accomplish things that will aid the landfill but they do not want to have their toes stepped on. Although the Board is a buffer, others hinder the SLC's efforts.

Chair Adams stated that he has proposed for the Board's consideration that a new section be added to the SLC Terms of Reference, which would give them a goal of promoting recycling, reuse and reduction as general aims, without getting into actual operational considerations which are controlled by the Towns. Dave Ethier noted that it appears as if someone does not want recycling promoted. Glenn Doncaster stated that both Towns should be promoting recycling.

Glenn noted that the Board does not have any authority in recycling. He added that there should be an agreement between both Towns and the Board regarding recycling. Glenn recommended that he and Hank take this topic to Deep River Council for some type of solution. Dave Ethier noted that Laurentian Hills Council would support any workable recommendation from the Board or Deep River Council.

7. Correspondence

a. MOE Compliance Inspection Reports - update on actions, application for expanded HHW handling and reply from MOE re HHW Operations Manual.

James Leon reported that the MOE's Andrew Polley replied re changes to the Annual Status Report format saying "Thanks for the draft outline of how you plan on putting the 2005 report together. It

looks fine to me as I think you have included all of the salient points. Give my thanks to Fred for helping out on this.”

The survey for the Site Plan is complet and changes required for the C of A Amendment would be made by the deadline.

James noted that once the amendment application has been sent, he will contact Andrew Polley to ask for permission to resume accepting HHW materials that were in the October 2000 MOE document. With MOE approval, materials such as gasoline and antifreeze that are very hazardous to the environment will again be accepted.

b. Recent landowner complaint– Report, Letter, and follow-up to an earlier complaint.

James reviewed the October 13, 2005 complaint from Mr. Bill Baker, details of which were sent to Board Members earlier. Photos of the wastes were distributed. This was Mr. Baker’s second 2005 complaint . The OPP are investigating this incident.

In earlier correspondence James reported speaking to Mr. Wayne Blimkie about litter on his property. Wayne and James discussed the recent complaint. Wayne gave verbal permission to hang a “No Littering” sign on a post at both entrances to his property. The signs have been installed.

James reported asking Wayne for permission to enter his property in the problem area to do cleanups. Wayne denied permission for the Site Attendant or James to enter on his property in that area to pick up the litter. He stated that he would clean up litter when necessary.

c. Letter to the MOE from Robinson Consultants dated November 7, 2005 re iron value exceeding the 75th percentile during the September 2005 sampling event.

The letter to the MOE informed them that the iron in SW-6 exceeded the 75th percentile value. Robinson Consultants recommended that quarterly monitoring continue as opposed to the monthly monitoring of the Tier II program. Iron had been observed as an oil-like scum on surface water locations prior to the Site’s opening, including the surface of the small stream by the Hunt Camp that was up-gradient of the Site. During the last Board Meeting, Paul Rochefort suggested that James contact AECL for records of iron near Maskinonge Lake. Board Members noted that iron is naturally occurring and concentrations will vary with weather conditions and water levels. AECL’s Doug Killey replied that they encounter high iron concentrations, up to 40 ppm, in groundwaters on site that are not affected by waste management operations. James noted that with up to 40 ppm in some areas, there are indeed sources of iron that could affect our monitoring sample concentrations.

d. Reply from AECL’s Doug Killey re iron in surface waters.

Covered in 7. c. above.

e. Letter from Computer Recyclers Inc. and suggestion to recycle electronics.

The letter from Computer Recyclers was discussed and Chair Adams noted that most of the computers and much of the other electronic material is removed from the reuse area by residents. Members discussed the recycling charges and decided that the landfill volume saved would not justify the costs.

f. Letter to Belo Csomor re SLC suggestions for Millers Road Site.

A letter went to Belo with the SLC's suggestions. Glenn Doncaster stated that changes to the Miller Road operation would be addressed by Deep River early in 2006, and that Saturday hours would increase from 9 am–12 noon, to 9 am–4 pm.

Chair Adams stated that at last week's Tri Council Meeting, acceptance of tires at the Baggs Road Site was discussed. During that meeting, Deep River's Deputy Mayor Glenn Doncaster suggested the Towns eliminate fees for family vehicle tires taken to the Site by non-commercial residents. It would eliminate the Towns tracking of the number of these tires.

The fees in the current schedule would still be payable for commercial tire disposal and for tires larger than 20 inch rims. The Town of Laurentian Hills Council concurred with this change.

Glenn Doncaster suggested there is too much effort in collecting tire tipping fees for resident's tires and that the Board recommend that the two Towns stop collecting such fees immediately. Dave Ethier agreed, adding that this would help eliminate illegal tire dumping.

Moved by: Glenn Doncaster
Seconded by: Jim Boulanger

That both Towns address eliminating tipping fees for family vehicle size tires brought to the Site by non-commercial residents. Carried.

James Leon was instructed to contact Larry Simons and Wayne Kirby to recommend modifying the tipping fees as noted above.

g. Correspondence to and from Site Insurer and Solicitor re liability signs wording.

The proposed signs were discussed and Chair Adams noted that they are far too wordy. Also, getting signed agreements would be difficult. He suggested that James clarify details of the wording and the signage with George LeConte. Glenn Doncaster suggested that we prepare the signs so that no one can contest it.

Moved by: Jim Boulanger
Seconded by: Glenn Doncaster

That two signs be prepared with the wording from the solicitor. Carried.

The signs would be placed at the Reuse area and the HHW area. Hank van der Horn moved a second motion to have the agreement available and signed when material is released. Chair Adams called for a seconder for this Motion. There being no seconder Chair Adams declared the motion failed. James was directed to deliver a number of photocopies of the agreement sheets to the Landfill Site office. They would be used if the Site Attendant was apprehensive of releasing any materials such as lawnmowers that are being taken from the reuse area. We will continue prior practice of getting signatures for paint taken from the HHW area.

8. Finance

a. Financial Report.

Board Members reviewed the current report and discussed items of concern. The items were “Vehicles” and “Refrigerant Removal”. Unanticipated vehicle repairs to the Liebherr Crawler/Loader were already addressed at the last Meeting.

James reported that Bee Line Wreckers informed him last summer that they would no longer take appliances unless the refrigerant had been removed. James searched for licensed technicians that would come to the Site and remove the refrigerant. Two local technicians bid of \$40.00/unit. A third person quoted \$30.00/unit and was hired to do the job. A fourth technician has since been contacted, who agreed to do this work for \$10.00/unit. James was instructed to get a copy of this person’s refrigeration license prior to having him do the work.

Moved by: Dave Ethier
Seconded by: Glenn Doncaster

That the current Financial Report be accepted for information purposes. Carried.

b. Quotes for required C of A amendments.

James reported contacting three firms to request a work program and quote for hydrogeological and monitoring services at Baggs Road for 1, 3 and 5-years. Two replies were received, from Jp2g and Robinson Consultants. The third request was to Gartner Lee, who did not quote.

Board Members examined the work programs and cost estimates. The budget received from Robinson Consultants was the lower for all three time options.

Moved by: Jim Boulanger
Seconded by: Dave Ethier

That the quote from Robinson Consultants be accepted. Carried.

Members discussed the length of the proposals and Hank van der Horn suggested that the Board accept the five year term as costs would not likely decrease or remain fixed over the long term.

Moved by: Glenn Doncaster
Seconded by: Jim Boulanger

That the five-year proposal for services from Robinson Consultants be accepted. Carried.

c. Applications to the Towns for the last 2005 quarterly payment and for funds for Liebherr repairs

James reported that both payments have been received. The Liebherr crawler/loader costs were discussed. The magnitude of the expenses was unanticipated and application for funds for the repairs has been made. Details of past and present problems were discussed. Jim Boulanger suggested that when the mechanic comes to replace these parts, that he and James meet with him to discuss current and future potential problems. He also suggested that James order a spare set of all filters for the machine.

Dave Ethier suggested that the Board obtain a list from Liebherr detailing items that we could have repaired without having to get the Liebherr mechanic. Originally Clouthiers in Pembroke were to provide repairs and stock commonly used parts for the Board's machine. James stated that Clouthiers' mechanic left in 2003 and they do not have a mechanic that they could send to work on the Liebherr. James was directed to contact Liebherr and Clouthiers about service and repairs as per the earlier agreement.

d. Costs for required repairs to the Liebherr crawler/loader.

This topic had been discussed earlier in the meeting.

e. Planning the 2006 Budget.

Chair Adams stated that the Draft Budget for the following year has by past practice been prepared by the Vice Chair and the Coordinator. He added that Hank and James should prepare a draft and discuss it with Steve Recoskie. Dave Ethier suggested that James contact Liebherr for Budgetary amounts that might be required next year. The Draft would then be brought forward for the Board's consideration.

f. 2005 costs for refrigerant removal.

This topic had been discussed earlier in the meeting

9. Update from Site Liaison Committee.

Details of updating the website by removal of reference to SLC vis a vis involvement in recycling had been discussed earlier in the meeting. The suggestion to modify the SLC Terms of Reference document will be addressed after Glenn and Hank speak to Deep River Council. James was directed to table this topic to the next Meeting.

Earl Gust and James reported that during the November SLC Meeting, Members had been asked if they would be reapplying for 2006 SLC Membership. Susan Farr and Susan McBride will be reapplying and Jim Unger will not. Earl Gust stated that he will reapply.

SLC Members recommended that the ad for additional SLC Members be placed in the NRT and the Friday free copy of The News. The ad would be run in early January and the closing date for applicants would be January 23, 2006.

10. Other Business.

- a. Details of tree marking and counting re trees that had fallen on the Gusts property.

An email from James to Board Members about this topic was briefly discussed and accepted. Chair Adams stated having the fallen trees removed is good Site management. Allowing the Gusts to have the fallen trees would be a benefit to both the Gusts and the Board.

- b. Suggestion by a Board Member that the Miller Road Site's Tipping Fees be re-examined.

Chair Adams noted that this item appears on the Board's Agenda only because a Member requested its inclusion. Glenn Doncaster observed that the Board has no mandate regarding the Miller Road Site, and reported that Deep River Council would discuss details of tipping fees and operating hours in 2006. Jim Boulanger stated that small-boxed vehicles such as his own truck cannot hold much C&D Waste and that he should not be paying a tipping fee as the owner of a mini van does not pay a fee. Glenn stated that tipping fees are just to cover the costs of operating that Site.

Chair Adams stated that Amendments to the C of A have been misnumbered by the MOE, and are now included in the Website as numbers 1 a., 1 b., 2 and 3.

11. Adjourn.

Moved by:	Hank van der Horn
Seconded by:	Jim Boulanger

That the Meeting adjourn at 9:22 pm. Carried.

The next regular Board Meeting will be held on January 23, 2006 at 7:30 pm in the Deep River Town Hall.