

COLUMBIA SHUSWAP REGIONAL DISTRICT

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN MONITORING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Notes of meeting held Thursday May 14, 2009
at the CSRD Board Room

PRESENT:

Advisory Committee

Helen Pearson, Sicamous
Mike Cantle, Golden & Electoral Area 'A'
Rob Hein, City of Salmon Arm (Alt)
Rob Labelle, Electoral Area 'F'
Janet Pattinson, Electoral Area 'C'
Penny Page-Britton, Revelstoke
Frank Rhebergen, Ministry of Environment
Sarah Newton, Revelstoke & Area B
Heather Fennell, Waste Hauler

Regional District Staff

Darcy Mooney, Waste Management Co-ordinator
Carolyn Black, Works Services Assistant
Carmen Fennell, Waste Reduction Facilitator

ABSENT:

Maryan Yarama, Adams Lake Indian Band
Town of Golden
Grady MacDonald, District of Sicamous
Darren Komonoski, City of Revelstoke

The meeting commenced at 9:00 AM

ACTION

INTRODUCTIONS Darcy Mooney welcomed everyone and thanked them for their attendance. Darcy provided background on the review process and the agenda for this meeting. Attendees then introduced themselves and provided a brief background on their interests and why they are interested in this committee and its function.

The Committee was advised that the 2009 Solid Waste Management Plan was approved by the CSRD Board at its March Board meeting. The Plan was received by the Ministry of Environment in April. Frank Rhebergen advised that he is reviewing the Plan on behalf of the Kamloops and Nelson Environment offices and will then be forwarded to the Minister for final approval. It is anticipated that the Plan will be forwarded to the Minister within the next week, but the time frame for approval could be a few months. It was noted however that the first year's plans can go ahead without Ministerial approval and will move forward as planned.

GARBAGE SCHOOL

Darcy Mooney made a presentation that included historical data, disposal trends and reduction goals. The Committee discussed problems with excess packaging and the philosophy of zero waste.

THE STORY OF
STUFF

"The Story of Stuff" video was played for the Committee. The 20-minute video promotes itself as a look at the underside of production and consumption patterns, exposing the connections between a number of environmental and social issues while calling on the creation of a more sustainable world.

WASTE
MANAGEMENT IN
THE CSRD

Darcy Mooney provided details on the operation of the CSRD's waste management program advising that the cost of the refuse disposal program is funded 100% by user fees collected at the refuse disposal facilities. The recycling program is funded by taxation.

The Committee discussed the following:

- Illegal dumping strategy
- EPR programs
- Waste composition
- Need for public education
- Composting
- Organics management study
- Salvage/Reuse Store
- Recycle fairs
- Hazardous waste

SOLID WASTE
MANAGEMENT
PLAN REVIEW
PROCESS

Darcy Mooney presented a synopsis of the solid waste management plan review process including formation of the advisory committee, evaluation of the current program, identifying servicing needs and opportunities, public consultation and the resulting plan.

Implementation of the plan components are divided into short-term (next five years) and long-term goals (more than five years).

The role of the plan monitoring committee will be to guide the implementation process and measure progress. Rob LaBelle suggested that tours and/or presentations by program providers be included during committee meetings.

PLAN
MONITORING
ADVISORY
COMMITTEE
TERMS OF
REFERENCE

- CSRD staff are not voting members of the committee
- Quorum and voting requirements
- Interest based vs position based perspectives

M/S Rob LaBelle/Mike Cattle RECOMMEND THAT:

The Terms of Reference for the Solid Waste Management Plan Monitoring Advisory Committee be amended as follows:

- Meetings be held twice per year (March and September) rotating throughout the Regional District.
- The Term of Office for membership be increased to 2 year and 3 year terms.
- The Term of Office for Chair and Vice-Chair be set as two years;

AND THAT:

The Terms of Reference be accepted as amended.

CARRIED

- PLAN
MONITORING
ADVISORY
COMMITTEE
ELECTION OF
CHAIR AND VICE
CHAIR
- Janet Pattinson nominated Mike Cante as Chair.
Robert LaBelle seconded the nomination.
Mike Cante accepted the nomination.
- Mike Cante nominated Robert LaBelle as Vice Chair.
Sarah Newton seconded the nomination
Robert LaBelle accepted the nomination.
- IMPLEMENTATION
PROGRESS
- 2009 commitment details were presented and discussed.
- Master composter program (requires volunteer commitment)
 - Backyard composter incentive program
 - Depot expansion (cardboard & plastic)
 - Curbside program expression of interest
 - Illegal dumping strategy
 - Regulatory bylaw
 - Differential tipping fees
 - Free stores
 - PMAC activation
- REFUSE
DISPOSAL
FACILITIES
TIPPING FEES
AND REGULATION
BYLAW
- This bylaw is an update from the existing regulatory bylaw and will be considered by the Board for adoption at its May 21st meeting. Darcy Mooney highlighted changes including the new tipping fee schedule, secure load provisions, prohibited categories, surcharges, etc. assuring the Committee that the content is consistent with the direction of the Solid Waste Management Plan as well as with the refuse disposal facilities bylaws of neighbouring local governments.
- The committee received a copy of the bylaw and members were invited to submit comments to Darcy Mooney prior to Board consideration.
- NEXT MEETING
- The next meeting is tentatively set for Thursday October 1, 2009 in Revelstoke.

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 PM.