

COLUMBIA SHUSWAP REGIONAL DISTRICT

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN MONITORING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Notes of meeting held Wednesday, April 27th, 2011
In the Town of Golden Chambers

PRESENT: Advisory Committee

Rob Labelle, Acting chair	Electoral Area 'F'
Penny Paige-Brittin	Revelstoke
Janet Pattinson	Electoral Area 'C'
Chris Cochran	Town of Golden
Rob Niewenhuizen	City of Salmon Arm
Cathy Arnouse	Adams Lake Indian Band
Al Hale	Aldon Waste Systems Ltd.
Brett Renaud	Bresco Industries
Darren Komonoski	City of Revelstoke

Regional District Staff

Ben Van Nostrand, Waste Management Coordinator
Carmen Fennell, Waste Reduction Facilitator

ABSENT:

Grady MacDonald	District of Sicamous
Frank Rhebergen	Ministry of Environment
Michael Luchkanych	Salmon Arm
Helen Pearson	Sicamous/Electoral Area 'E'
Parker Vaile	VP Waste Solutions

The meeting commenced at 10:40 am

INTRODUCTIONS

Davis Allen, CAO of the Town of Golden introduced himself and welcomed everyone to Golden and spoke of his interest in solid waste planning.

The Chair welcomed everyone and thanked them for their attendance. Attendees then introduced themselves and welcomed the new members of the committee (Bret Renaud, Al Hale and Parker Vaile).

GENERAL BUSINESS

Rob LaBelle indicated that he would be willing to act as Chair of the meeting, but that a formal process should be followed to elect a Chair and Vice Chair.

M/S Janet Pattinson/Ben Van Nostrand THAT:
Rob LaBelle be elected acting Chair for the meeting.

CARRIED

M/S Rob LaBelle/Ben Van Nostrand THAT:
Janet Pattinson be elected as Vice Chair.

CARRIED

AGENDA APPROVAL M/S Janet Pattinson/Darren Komonoski THAT
The Minutes from the previous meeting and the Agenda be approved.

CARRIED

TERMS OF REFERENCE Ben Van Nostrand gave an overview of the presentation agenda, then outlined the roles and responsibilities of PMAC members as explained in the Terms of Reference. Two positions on the Committee are still vacant-one for the Golden and Electoral Area 'A', and one for Falkland and Electoral Area 'D'. The CSRD will continue to look for individuals to fill these positions.

The CSRD staff will determine the term for each Committee member and inform the Committee of what terms have expired and when advertisements will be placed for those positions, so current members can reapply for a position.

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM 2010 Ben Van Nostrand gave an overview of the curbside recycling program for the City of Salmon Arm. Rob Niewenhuizen provided insight into the program from the City of Salmon Arm.

Darren Komonoski gave a brief overview of the plans for implementing the curbside collection of recyclables for the City of Revelstoke. The program will be commencing the first week of January, 2012.

Al Hale provided a brief overview of the implementation of the Salmon Arm curbside collection program, from a collection standpoint. Indicated he was surprised at how smooth the roll out went, complimented the City of Salmon Arm on their snow clearing efforts which made collection easier and advised that complaints have steadily decreased.

Carmen Fennell indicated that the most common question received was; "why do we have to do this?". She suggested that Golden and Revelstoke begin the education process early and get information out to the public, informing them of the program details.

REUSE CENTRES

Rob LaBelle expressed frustration at the condition of the Re-use Centre in Scotch Creek. The centres are not being used enough, are dirty, not purged often enough, and have unusable materials in them (i.e. one ski boot without the match).

A suggestion was made to include more building materials in the centre along with sports equipment, as these might generate more visits to the shed.

PMAC members felt that there was reluctance by the public to use the shed because they had to pay to drop off material, while taking items to the local thrift stores is free.

RECYCLING DEPOTS

Rob LaBelle asked if it was possible to have a recycling bin located downtown Scotch Creek, as the Transfer Station is only open until 2:00 pm. CSRD staff will investigate the possibility of finding a location in Scotch Creek for a recycling bin.

ORGANIC WASTE STRATEGY

Carmen Fennell provided an overview of the CSRD's efforts to implement the recommendations in the Solid Waste Management Plan as they relate to reducing/diverting organic waste. The presentation included information on the following topics:

- Backyard Composter Incentive Program;
- Master Composter/Master Recycler Program;
- Natural Landscaping and Yard Care Program;
- Regional Organics Composting; and
- Organic and Wood Waste Diversion.

Janet Pattinson asked when the advertisement was carried out for the master composter program. Carmen Fennell indicated that personal invitations were extended to those that have expressed an interest in the past, advertisements were carried out in local papers and handouts were given out by the landfill attendants.

Brett Renaud suggested that the "Wasteshed" approach, as defined in the SWMP, be used to restructure the dates for the free residential organics periods. He indicated that due to the long winter in Revelstoke, starting the program later in the Golden and Revelstoke Wastesheds would make more sense.

Rob LaBelle suggested that the Christmas Tree recycling/chipping program could be done through the Kinsmen Club and used by local trail alliance groups for trail construction.

PUBLIC EDUCATION/
BUSINESS AWARDS

Carmen Fennell asked for suggestions to promote waste reduction initiatives throughout the CSRD, particularly business awards. Members suggested partnering with other award systems already in place, such as the Chamber of Commerce business awards, or with other environmental organizations such as the North Columbia Environmental Society.

Ben Van Nostrand indicated that the SWMP calls for a study of higher density developments such as Resorts. Questioned the members as to whether or not this initiative was still supported. Rob Labelle suggested a reviewing the community of Scotch Creek may be a more appropriate resort community.

NEXT MEETING

The Committee agreed to continue with two meeting her year, one in the spring and another in the fall.

M/S Ben Van Nostrand/Chris Cochran THAT:

The next meeting be held in Revelstoke on October 27th at 10:00 am.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

M/S Janet Pattinson/Darren Komonoski THAT:

The meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm.