

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
(Committee Of The Whole)

Thursday, March 7, 2019

PRESENT: Chair Mark Fisher

Directors Shane Brienen
Dolores Funk
Tom Greenaway
Clint Lambert
Brad Layton
Linda McGuire
Rob Newell
Mark Parker
Bev Playfair
Jerry Petersen
Kim Watt-Senner
Gerry Thiessen

Directors Absent Taylor Bachrach, Town of Smithers
Michael Riis-Christianson, Electoral Area "B" (Burns Lake Rural)

Alternate Director Doug Bysouth, Electoral Area "B" (Burns Lake Rural)

Staff Melany de Weerd, Chief Administrative Officer
Cheryl Anderson, Manager of Administrative Services
Janette Derksen, Deputy Director of Environmental Services
Debbie Evans, Agriculture Coordinator – left at 11:45 a.m.,
returned at 11:55 a.m., left at 12:04 p.m., returned at 12:43 p.m.
John Illes, Chief Financial Officer
Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning and Protective Services –
left at 11:45 a.m.
Rory McKenzie, Director of Environmental Services – left at
11:45 a.m., returned at 11:48 a.m.
Maria Sandberg, Planner – arrived at 11:41 a.m., left at 11:45
a.m.
Deneve Vanderwolf, Planning Technician/Regional Transit
Coordinator – arrived at 12:32 p.m.
Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant
Elaine Wiebe, Environmental Services Assistant – left at 12:00
p.m.

Others Linda Harmon, Transit Crown Agency Programs, Ministry of
Transportation and Infrastructure – arrived at 12:32 p.m.
Rob Ringma, Manager, Government Relations, BC Transit
–arrived at 12:32 p.m.

Media Blair McBride, Lakes District News

CALL TO ORDER Chair Fisher called the meeting to order at 11:29 a.m.

AGENDA

Moved by Director Petersen
Seconded by Director Watt-Senner

WMC.2019-2-1

“That the Waste Management Committee receive the March 7, 2019 Agenda.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES

Waste Management
Committee Meeting Minutes
-January 3, 2019

Moved by Director Lambert
Seconded by Director Parker

WMC.2019-2-2

“That the Minutes of the Waste Management Committee for January 3, 2019 be received.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RECYCLING DEMONSTRATION

Janette Derksen, Deputy Director of Environmental Services and Elaine Wiebe, Environmental Services Assistant provided an interactive Recycling Demonstration.

Director Layton spoke of the Village of Telkwa contacting Recycle BC to provide education within the community and they indicated they could provide brochures. He brought forward utilizing RDBN staff to provide education to communities. Rory McKenzie, Director of Environmental Services noted that the potential future consideration of hiring a Waste Diversion Coordinator could address in assisting and providing recycling education throughout the region.

REPORTS

Major Appliance Recycling
Roundtable (MARR)
-Compensation of Program
Products

Moved by Director Thiessen
Seconded by Director Lambert

WMC.2019-2-3

1. “That the Waste Management Committee receive the Deputy Director of Environmental Services’ February 26, 2019 memo titled “Major Appliance Recycling Roundtable (MARR) – Compensation of Program Products;”
2. That the Waste Management Committee recommend that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve staff to negotiate a fair agreement with the Major Appliance Recycling Roundtable (MARR) Stewardship agency for compensation for management of their program products listed as major appliances and to bring the agreement back for Board approval after negotiation.
3. Further, that the Waste Management Committee recommend that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize staff to amend Bylaw #1764 User Fee Schedule to remove the fee for Ozone Depleting Substances appliances for the program products under the MARR program.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS (CONT'D)

Construct and Operate a Recycle BC Depot at the Ft. St. James Transfer Station Moved by Director Greenaway
Seconded by Director Playfair

WMC.2019-2-4

1. "That the Waste Management Committee receive the Director of Environmental Services' February 25, 2019 memo titled "Construct and Operate a Recycle BC Depot at the Ft. St. James Transfer Station;"
2. That the Waste Management Committee recommend that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve staff to enter into a contract with Recycle BC to operate a Recycle BC Depot at the Ft. St. James Transfer Station; and further, Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako build and operate a Recycle Depot at the Ft. St. James Transfer Station with funding for construction coming from Federal Gas Tax money to a maximum of \$150,000 if alternate funding is not available."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Break for lunch at 12:04 p.m.
Reconvened at 12:32 p.m.

Construct and Operate a Recycle BC Depot at the Old Houston Landfill Site Moved by Director Newell
Seconded by Director Brienon

WMC.2019-2-5

1. "That the Waste Management Committee receive the Director of Environmental Services' February 25, 2019 memo titled "Construct and Operate a Recycle BC Depot at the Old Houston Landfill Site."
2. That the Waste Management Committee recommend that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve staff to enter into a contract with Recycle BC to operate a Recycle BC Depot at the old Houston Landfill site; and further, that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako build and operate a Recycle depot at the Houston Landfill site with funding for construction coming from Federal Gas Tax money to a maximum of \$95,000 if alternate funding is not available "

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Construct and Operate a Waste Transfer Station at the Old Houston Landfill Site Moved by Director Newell
Seconded by Director Brienon

WMC.2019-2-6

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2. That the Waste Management Committee recommend that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve staff to build and operate a Waste Transfer Station at the old Houston Landfill site."

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VERBAL REPORTS

Agriculture Plastic Update - Chair Fisher

- Clean Farms/Cattlemen Conference Call
 - Clean farms not as experienced with BC systems
 - EPR (Extended Producer Responsibility) program was discussed but not preferable route
 - EPR Program would be the best solution

- Follow Up – MOE Conference Call and Next Steps
 - Sent email to Ministry of Environment
 - Ministry of Environment currently reviewing products moving towards EPR programs
 - Advocacy is needed in regard to agriculture plastics being included in an EPR Program
 - Director Parker has agreed to research the volume of agriculture plastic in the region
 - Janette Derksen, Deputy Director of Environmental Services mentioned MOE has offered potential funding options to offer program within the region
 - Beneficial for the RDBN to provide an outline of a program/solution for MoE consideration.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter to Nathan Cullen re:
Zero Waste Packaging Act

Moved by Director Layton
Seconded by Director Petersen

WMC.2019-2-7

“That the Waste Management Committee recommend that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve sending the Letter to Nathan Cullen re: Zero Waste Packaging Act.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Correspondence

Moved by Director Brien
Seconded by Director Layton

WMC.2019-2-8

“That the Waste Management Committee receive the following correspondence:

-Nathan Cullen, MP – Create Your Canada Winning Entry Bill to Protect Environment Presented in Parliament
-Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment – Strategy on Zero Plastic Waste.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Director Playfair
Seconded by Director McGuire

WMC.2019-2-9

“That the meeting be adjourned at 12:47 p.m.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY