

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, October 13, 2022

PRESENT: Chair Mark Fisher

Directors Gladys Atrill
Shane Brienen
Chris Newell
Jerry Petersen
Michael Riis-Christianson
Gerry Thiessen

Staff Curtis Helgesen, Chief Administrative Officer
Cheryl Anderson, Director of Corporate Services
John Illes, Chief Financial Officer
Janette Derksen, Waste Diversion Supervisor
Alex Eriksen, Director of Environmental Services
Wendy Wainwright, Deputy Director of Corporate Services

Others Mark Parker, Electoral Area D (Fraser Lake Rural)
Clint Lambert, Electoral Area E (Francosi/Ootsa Lake Rural)
- arrived at 5:09 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Fisher called the meeting to order at 4:38 p.m.

AGENDA

Moved by Director Atrill
Seconded by Director Newell

WMC.2022-8-1

"That the Waste Management Committee Agenda for October 13, 2022 be approved."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES

**Waste Management
Committee Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2022**

Moved by Director Atrill
Seconded by Director Riis-Christianson

WMC.2022-8-2

"That the Minutes of the Waste Management Committee for September 8, 2022 be approved."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMUNITY ADVOCACY

Coast Waste Management Association – Northern BC Solid Waste Working Group

Moved by Director Petersen
Seconded by Director Atrill

WMC.2022-8-3

“That the Committee receive Chair Fisher and the Waste Diversion Supervisor’s report regarding Coast Waste Management Association – Northern BC Solid Waste Working Group.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Discussion took place regarding:

- Chair Fisher’s participation on the Northern BC Solid Waste Working Group and the transfer of information to the newly elected Board
- Staff participation on the working group and other groups such as BC Product Stewardship Council.

REGIONAL SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RSWAC) UPDATE

Verbal Update – Alex Eriksen, Director of Environmental Services

- Second meeting was held October 12, 2022
- Main discussion topic Solid Waste User Fee Implementation (Cost Recovery).

Chair Fisher encouraged the newly elected Board to include students and non-profit societies on the RSWAC.

POLICY REVIEW

Discussion

“2m³ Rule” Discussion on Future Strategy

Moved by Director Riis-Christianson
Seconded by Director Atrill

WMC.2022-8-3

“That the Committee receive the Director of Environmental Services’ “2m³ Rule” Discussion on Future Strategy memorandum.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The following was discussed:

- 2m³ Rule is practiced when there is a need to limit waste periodically
- Lack of signage at RDBN Transfer Stations
- Transfer Station tip floors becoming too full and patrons redirected to RDBN Landfills

POLICY REVIEW (CONT'D)

Discussion (Cont'd)

- Consistency is required in regard to the implementation of the 2m³ Rule
 - Enforcement
 - Incorporate full implementation of the 2m³ Rule when implementing the Solid Waste User Fee process
 - Solid Waste Management Facility Regulation and User Fee Bylaw No. 1764, 2016 and Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Solid Waste Management Facility Regulation and User Fee Amendment Bylaw No. 1879, 2019
 - Best operational practices
 - Education and public awareness
 - Staff will bring forward a report.

DIVERSION & RECYCLING

Verbal Update - JanetteDerksen, Waste Diversion Supervisor - Diversion and Recycling Update

- Electronics recycling pilot project in Vanderhoof
- Discussions regarding hazardous waste diversion and recycling
 - o Bear spray
 - o Compressed containers
- Recycling depots in Houston and Fraser Lake in 2023
- Collaboration with neighbouring Regional Districts.

CORRESPONDENCE

District of Fort St. James
-Public Notices – Single Use
Plastics Regulation Bylaw
Adopted!

Moved by Director Atrill
Seconded by Director Riis-Christianson

WMC.2022-8-4

"That the Committee receive the Correspondence from the District of Fort St. James regarding Single Use Plastics Regulation Bylaw Adopted!"

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MISCELLANEOUS

None

OPERATIONS UPDATE

Verbal Update – Alex Eriksen, Director of Environmental Services

- Construction season is almost over
- Completing projects
- Knockholt Landfill operational with new expansion.

FUTURE MEETING TOPICS

- Fee Bylaw amendment
- Solid Waste User Fee Implementation – Quarterly Updates.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Director Brien
Seconded by Director Newell

WMC.2022-8-5

“That the meeting be adjourned at 5:25 p.m.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mark Fisher, Chair

Wendy Wainwright, Deputy Director of
Corporate Services