

TOWNSHIP OF WHITEWATER REGION
Committee Meeting

Meeting Title: Waste Management

Date: Wednesday May 6, 2009

Place: Westmeath Recreation Centre

Start Time: 8:30 p.m.

WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Adoption of Previous Minutes
3. Cobden Site Closure – Update & Discussion
4. Stewardship Ontario's Electronic Waste Program - Information
5. Bottle Water Reduction – Information and Discussion
6. Closed Meeting to discuss litigation, potential litigation, labour relations, and the security of the property of the municipality.
7. Adjournment

Present: Mayor Don Rathwell, Deputy Mayor Ron Lowe Councillors: Jack Ferguson, Jim Labow, Daryl McLaughlin, and Joey Trimm

Staff Present: Annette Mantifel, Sandra Moss and Steven Hodson

Meeting began at 7:40pm

Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Jim Labow, Seconded by Daryl McLaughlin

“Be it resolved that the minutes of the previous Waste Management Committee meeting dated December 3, 2008 be adopted as circulated.”

Carried
Jack Ferguson

Cobden Site Closure – Update & Discussion

Steve provided an update on the status of each landfill site. With the amendment to the COA at the Cobden Landfill Site, conditions were laid down for the formal closure of the site. One more monitoring well will be installed this summer on Mr. Paxton's property. A legal easement will be acquired on Mr. Paxton's property for a Contaminant Attenuation Zone – this easement will permit development but no well will be permitted.

An additional 6 inches of topsoil may be required and we will continue to perform annual groundwater monitoring. There was some discussion concerning the stabilization of the banks. The Westmeath Landfill Site is formally closed and we continue to monitor once a year. It is reported that there is approximately 9 years of usage left in the trench at the Ross Landfill Site. The collection of cardboard at the site stopped approximately one month ago. There was much discussion about the recycling containers at the Ross Landfill Site. A consensus was received by Council that no more recycling material would be accepted at the landfill site by the end of June. An ad will be placed in the newspapers informing residents.

Stewardship Ontario's Electronic Waste Program

Steve provided information about this program. Under this program, the Township would have to setup a collection location at the landfill site. A shipping container would be required to ensure that the material is kept intact and dry. There is a company in Ottawa who would pick up the electronics. Steve would then submit quarterly reports to Stewardship Ontario for funds. It was questioned what other municipalities of similar sizes are doing and what their costs are. Would this be a user pay system? Once Steve has more information and data available, a Waste Management Committee

meeting will be arranged to discuss this issue further.

Bottle Water Reduction

The usage of bottled water in municipal facilities was discussed. It was decided that this issue would be discussed further when all members of Council were present.

Stockpiling of Demolition Debris

Steve noted that he is in the process of requesting an amendment to the Ross Landfill Site's COA in order that building demolition debris can be stock-piled on site for grinding.

Adjournment

Moved by Daryl McLaughlin, Seconded by Jim Labow

“Be it Resolved that the Waste Management Committee meeting dated May 6, 2009 be adjourned at 8:25pm.”

Carried
Jack Ferguson