

LANDFILL EDUCATION COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 05, 2013 – 10:00 A.M.

Present: Councillor Susan Major, Chairperson; Jan Reid, Lori Anderson
Guests: Christopher and Darla Turcotte
Staff: Alice Lauzon

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 10:10 a.m. by Chairperson, Susan Major. Members and guests are welcomed.

NOTIFICATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST – None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution 2013-01(LEC)

Jan Reid – Lori Anderson: Be it resolved that the Agenda for the Landfill Education Committee meeting be adopted as presented. **‘Carried’**

CITIZENS PETITIONS & DEPUTATIONS – None

OPEN FORUM

Christopher and Darla Turcotte, Wasi Lodge, expressed their concerns about implementing the clear bag policy so quickly at the campground since their customers don't start arriving until May. They are worried that the campers may not adhere to this new policy and it won't give them much time to educate them. They are also experiencing problems with recycling.

NEW BUSINESS

- a) Committee Mandate: The Landfill Education Committee will work to educate residents on issues relating to recycling, the landfill site, and hazardous waste material.
- b) 2013 Budget: \$1,000 has been set aside for the Landfill Education Committee in the Draft 2013 Budget.
- c) Timeline – The Committee is hoping to have the work done by May 1, 2013, implementation date for clear bags at the landfill site.
- d) General discussion followed on the following items:
 - * Burning garbage at home, restrictions and/or penalties from the fire department. Members received a copy of burning by-laws and informed of the set fines.
 - * Acceptable behaviour towards Landfill Site Attendant. (Staff asked to find by-law.)
 - * Money generated to township for recycling.
 - * Information on flyer distributed to residents at the landfill site; staff needs to add more information re: recycling (after checking with R&D Recycling about more material).
 - * Number of homes recycling as opposed to number of homes in the Township. (Staff has contacted R&D Recycling to obtain approximate figures, but still don't have answers.)

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Concern was expressed about seasonal residents not being here until the summer and not being aware of the new policy. Staff informed the members that a notice will be included with the Interim Tax bill going out at the end of February. It was also suggested that the landfill attendant be equipped with a good supply of clear bags to accommodate the first time residents who may not be aware of this policy.

Staff was asked to include more information on the website and in future newsletters about the new burning by-law, inspection of incinerators, recycling material not being picked up and the cost of closing old landfill and opening new site, and approximate cost per household.

Committee members felt that some of the funding in the budget could be utilized for helping the business owners educate their customers, i.e. laminated signs, posters, etc.

Topics for the “Did You Know?” column in the next newsletter were decided: Cost for opening new landfill site and approximate cost per household the year this happens, and funding received by the township for recycling material picked up.

Chairperson Major presented her findings on where to obtain clear bags and the cost for these, information that will then be conveyed to the residents.

The members agreed that the private contractor should be asked if help is needed with printing a flyer advising his customers of this new clear bag policy.

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 2013-02

Lori Anderson – Jan Reid: Be it resolved that this meeting of the Landfill Education Committee now be adjourned and that we meet again at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 21st, 2013 or at the call of the Chair. **‘Carried’**

Susan Major, Chairperson

Recording Secretary