

MINUTES WASTE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, January 22, 2015 9:30 a.m. – 11:20 a.m. Room 192, 1st Floor City Hall 71 Main Street West, Hamilton

Present:

Chair:

Councillor Maria Pearson

Vice-Chair: Members:

Councillor Doug Conley Councillor Robert Pasuta

Kevin Hunt

Absent with

Regrets:

Anne Winning, Supervisor of Operation Support

Peter Hargreave

Also Present:

Betty Matthews-Malone, Director of Operations

Angela Storey, Manager of Business Programs

Emil Prpic, Manager of Recycling and Waste Disposal Joel McCormick, Supervisor of Waste Processing

Mike Stelmach, Project Manager of Contract Operation

Recorder:

Dawn Kim, Policy Program Analyst

Α. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Committee appointed Councillor Maria Pearson as Chair and Councillor Doug Conley as Vice-Chair.

PASUTA CARRIED

1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None to change

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None to declare

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Waste Management Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes, dated May 5, 2014 were approved as presented.

PEARSON/CONLEY

CARRIED

4. CONSENT ITEMS

There were no consent items.

5. PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

6.1 **2015 Waste Management Guide**

Staff presented the following items to committee:

- 2015/2016 Waste and Recycling Guide
- Purple Trash Tag (12 tags will be mailed out and 14 tags will be available)

Sharps & Glass Items

Committee and staff discussed methods of handling sharps and broken glass items including working with local pharmacies. Committee requested that staff investigate the optimum method to handle sharps and glass items to prevent workplace hazards.

Gold Box

Staff reminded the committee that the current Gold Box program includes 100 winners per ward each year. Audits are performed between May and September as daylight is required in order to audit prior to the collection truck coming by.

6.2 New Municipal Hazardous or Special Waste Services Agreement between the City and Stewardship Ontario

Staff indicated that Waste Diversion Ontario (WDO) announced on December 10, 2014 that it has approved the Industry Stewardship Plan (ISP) from Product Care Association (Product Care) for paints and coatings. WDO has stated that the effective date of Product Care's stewardship plan for paints and coatings will be no earlier than June 2015.

Stewardship Ontario will work with WDO and Product Care to ensure a smooth transition of the program with as little impact to stewards as possible.

Staff stated that they require an approval from Committee for the General Manager of Public Works; Gerry Davis, to authorize agreements with Stewardship Ontario for the purpose of protecting the interest of the City of Hamilton on Municipal Hazardous or Special Waste.

6.3 Diversion Container Distribution

Staff provided an update on current distribution methods (pick up/delivery) and the numbers associated. It was noted that thousands of blue boxes and green carts are delivered to residents each year but that the delivery function is not actually budgeted by the division. As such, other items end up taking a back seat (multi-res, commercial diversion site visits). The Operations division is looking to perform a LEAN process review on this item and will report back to the WMAC. Staff will also provide the councillors on WMAC with the number of diversion containers delivered/picked up in the each ward for their information.

Green Bin Replacement Info

Committee questioned when the small green bin will be accepted in rural areas, since residents continue to request them. Committee requested staff to provide replacement information for green bins.

Lid for Blue Box

Committee requested staff to provide information regarding retail locations where Blue Box lids can be purchased.

Landfill Mining

Committee enquired about landfill mining at Glanbrook Landfill site. Staff indicated this may be investigated in the future.

6.4 Multi Residential Green Bin Program update

Staff presented multi residential rollout statistics for each ward. Staff reported that a waste management coordinator will re-visit multi residential buildings at least once a year to ensure buildings continue to utilize the program and staff will educate as needed. Staff and committee discussed how to respond to non-compliances noting that the Solid Waste Management by-law states that participation in waste diversion programs

is mandatory to receive garbage collection service. Ward statistics will be provided to councillors so they are aware of the number of buildings / units currently refusing to participate in the diversion programs.

6.5 Commercial update

Staff reported commercial rollout statistics for each ward. Staff will re-visit the commercial sites and then provide the detailed information list to committee.

6.6 Corporate update

Staff reported corporate rollout statistics to committee.

Motion to receive discussion items.

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CARRIED

7. NEW BUSINESS

- The Clerk's office confirms that the current citizen members hold their WMAC memberships until notices for new application are posted on the City website, at that time the current citizen members will need to re-apply.
- Recycling/processing end of life EXIT signs was discussed.
- SWMMP Recommendation Guiding Principle #1 states that the City of Hamilton must lead and encourage the changes necessary to adopt the principle of Waste Reduction. Waste reduction needs to be considered more carefully. Packaging needs to be reduced to obtain waste reduction.
- Need to arrange facility tour of the Resource Recovery Centre and landfill site for the committee.
- Smell from Central Compost Facility (CCF) was detected at the Centre Mall. Staff are certain it's not from the CCF, but will investigate to see if formal complaints have been received.
- CCF waste heat recovery was discussed.
- Memo from Pat Parker regarding MPAC Assessment Valuation for Landfills was discussed.

8. ADJOURNMENT

That, there being no further business, the meeting be adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

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CARRIED

Copies to:

Councillor Maria Pearson

Councillor Doug Conley Councillor Robert Pasuta

Kevin Hunt

Gerry Davis, General Manager of Public Works Betty Matthews-Malone, Director of Operations Angela Storey, Manager of Business Programs

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