

**Mackenzie Regional Waste
Management Authority**

Regular Meeting

Monday, June 26, 2000

Town of High Level Council Chambers

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Doug Gramson	Chairperson
	Councillor, Town of High Level
Steve MacIntyre	Councillor, Town of High Level
Frank Rosenberger	Councillor, M.D. Mackenzie #23
Betty Bateman	Councillor, M.D. Mackenzie #23

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Gene Kiviaho	CAO, Town of High Level
Cathy Crozier	Assistant to CAO, Town of High Level
Marc de Montamal	Acting Superintendent of Public Works, Town of High Level
Darlene Hardy	Director of Corporate Services, Town of High Level
Robyn Jenkins	Bill Jenkins Enterprises
Anna Neustaeter	Town Manager, Town of Rainbow Lake

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Doug Gramson called meeting to order at 10:43 AM.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Noted for the Minutes that Councillor Betty Bateman apologized to the Authority Members for her unfortunate comments at the last meeting of the Authority.

Additions to Agenda:

- 4.6 Peace Region Waste Reduction Committee update
- 4.7 Update on Ground Water Monitoring Wells
- 4.8 Engineering Study Update
- 4.9 Financial Report

Deletions:

None

Moved by Councilor Frank Rosenberger

That the Agenda be adopted.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

Minutes of May 23, 2000 Meeting

Moved by Councilor Betty Bateman

That the Minutes of May 23, 2000 be adopted.

CARRIED

4. ORDER OF BUSINESS

4.1 Greetings extended by Chairperson Doug Gramson.

Noted with regret that the Dene 'Tha' representative was absent along with Paddle Prairie. Welcome was extended to all present.

Amending Approval Document tabled until next meeting due to George Neurohr being unable to attend this meeting.

4.2 Tires

A copy of High Level Town Council resolution regarding tires was handed to each member present. Betty Bateman questioned if the landfill does not accept tires where would the tires go? Robyn Jenkins stated that the Tire Board will not come to High Level to pick up small amounts of tires, but will come up to get larger amounts of tires. Therefore they will not come up to get small amount of tires from the tire shops. They will not pick up the large off-road tires.

The feeling of the Authority was that if we do not accept the tires they will not be disposed of properly. For fees being charged for taking tires to the dump, the Authority stated that there is already a recycle charge for the tires. Robyn Jenkins suggested that the landfill ban the large tires or charge for them. It was noted that we should have the tire shops keep the tires and have them deal with either the tire recycling board or the manufacturers. That we only allow residents to bring tires to the landfill. Darlene Hardy stated that this may not work as the tire shops can have the residents keep the old tires and in the end they still end up in the landfill.

Councillor Betty Bateman asked Landfill Manager Gene Kiviaho if he had been in touch with the Tire Recycling Board. Mr. Kiviaho replied that he had. The Board has stated that they have picked up the oversize tires in some municipalities but have added that they will only pick them up if there is a large

enough load to pick up. In the matter of fees the Board stated that the Alberta Government has not legislated them to give any funds back to the landfills. Further the Town has been told that the oversize tires will be picked up but this has not happened.

Robyn Jenkins suggested that for the time being the landfill ban the oversize tires but continue to accept the regular tires, as the tire recycling board will pick them up. They have managed to get rid of some of the oversized tires to local farmers and at the landfill have used them to build barricades, etc.

Motion by Councillor Betty Bateman

That the Authority ban the oversize tires completely at the landfill and continue at status quo for the other tires while other alternatives are explored.

DEFEATED

Motion by Councillor Betty Bateman

That a letter from the Chair of this Authority be sent to the Chair of the Tire Recycling board requesting that some of the money they receive for recycling the tires be funneled back to our landfill.

CARRIED

Motion by Councillor Steve MacIntyre

That the authority from July 1, 2000 forward ban the landfill will not accept oversize tires.

CARRIED

Councillor MacIntyre questioned why the landfill does not currently charge for any items, which end up in the landfill. Robin Jenkins replied that is no charge for the recyclable items, as those items do not end up in the cells. The contractor has salvage rights according the contract for recyclable items brought in.

Motion by Councillor Steve MacIntyre

The Authority no longer allow any exceptions for materials brought in the landfill and that applicable fees be charged for all materials.

DEFEATED

4.3 Signage

Robyn Jenkins stated that at the last meeting she was directed to look further at signage for the landfill. She stated that in addition to signs for the landfill, signs are also needed for the gate. The current sign does not comply with the Alberta Environment Regulations and needs to be updated. Quotes were given by Ray's Signs for painting and installation of new signs.

Motion by Councillor Betty Bateman

That the authority have new signs made and installed at the landfill.

CARRIED

4.4 Hours of Operation

Moved by Councillor Frank Rosenberger:

That the Authority keep the hours the way they are.

CARRIED

4.5 Animal Disposal Site

George Neuhor had requested that the landfill have a dedicated site for the disposal of animals. A letter from the local veterinarian, Dr. Stickney, requested one as well. It was suggested that the site may be at the front of the landfill at the old cell site.

Robyn Jenkins stated that it was not a problem for them to do this.

Motion by Councillor Steve MacIntyre:

That the Authority direct the Manager to comply with the Amending Approval in regards to looking at having a dedicated area at the landfill for the disposal of animals.

CARRIED

4.6 Peace Region Waste Reduction Committee Update

Chairperson Doug Gramson advised that he and Councillor MacIntyre attended the meeting on Friday, June 23, 2000. Two Federal Funds have been set up for local municipalities. It was noted that these are not grants but are loans, which extend until the time that the repayment is realized through savings.

Motion by Councillor Betty Bateman

That we have the manager explore our eligibility to apply for funds under the new federal funding initiative.

CARRIED

4.6 Update on Ground Water Monitoring Wells

The Landfill Manager, Gene Kiviaho, stated that Stantech was supposed to have completed the wells this week, but due to something coming up, the crew had to return early to Edmonton. They plan to return at a latter date to complete the work.

Motion by Councillor Betty Bateman

That this matter be tabled until further information is available.

CARRIED

4.8 Engineering Study Update

The Landfill Manager, Gene Kiviaho, stated that he has the names of two engineers recommended by George and he will also be forwarding more names to the Authority for review.

Motion by Councillor Frank Rosenberger

That the Authority accept the update given by the Manager.

CARRIED

4.9 Financial Report

Darlene Hardy advised that the financial reports reflects the complete report for April and just the expenses for May as the revenue has not been recorded yet as the report is always a month behind. She stated that our capitol has not been touched yet and the landfill is currently in the black.

Motion by Councillor Betty Bateman

That we accept the financial report as given.

CARRIED

Robyn Jenkins brought forward that as the weather is getting better that the Authority may wish to tour the landfill at the next meeting.

Chairperson Gramson stated that at a past meeting the Authority meet at one of the other communities. He suggested that this be looked at as well.

Anna Neustrater requested that the Authority tour the landfill now as it is the dry part of the year, then have the community meetings after the tour.

5.0 Date of Next Meeting.

Motion made by Councillor Betty Bateman

That the date for the next meeting be set for Monday July 17, 2000 at 10:30 am.
at the High Level Council Chambers.

CARRIED

6.0 Adjournment

Motion made by Councillor Betty Bateman

That the meeting be adjourned

CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 11:54 AM