

Mackenzie Regional Waste
Management Authority

Regular Meeting
Wednesday May 16, 2001
Town of High Level Council Chambers

MINUTES

In attendance:

Doug Gramson	Chairman, Councillor of Town of High Level
Jean Lederer	Member, Councilor of Town of Rainbow Lake
Wayne Thiessen	Member, Councilor of M.D. Mackenzie
Steve MacIntyre	Member, Councillor of Town of High Level

Also in attendance:

Ron Pelenski	Director of Public Works, High Level
John Crisp	Municipal Secretary, High Level
Darlene Hardy	Director of Corporate Services, High Level
Bill Jenkins	Bill Jenkins Enterprises
Loretta Jenkins	Bill Jenkins Enterprises

1. CALL TO ORDER

Doug Gramson called the meeting to order at 10:16 a.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Additions:

5.2.2 Briefing note regarding reconciliation of Year 2000 statements.
5.3.6 Access Road Gravel
5.3.7 Lagoon Waste Transfer
5.2.3 Annual Report 2000 to Environment

Deletions:

There were none.

Resolution

Moved by Wayne Thiessen

That the Agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

3. DELEGATIONS

There were none.

4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Errors and Omissions:
Change 2000 to 2001 in date

Resolution

Moved by Jean Lederer

That the minutes of April 30, 2001 be accepted.

CARRIED

5. **ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

5.1 Greetings extended by Chairperson Doug Gramson.

5.2 Finance

5.2.1 2001 Budget

The request for further financial information from the year 2000 was discussed from the last meeting.

Loretta mentioned that a summary of projected average landfill costs is available. This will be made available to the Authority.

Recommend that a further \$7,000 be taken out of the contributed to capital, to cover the costs of weekly inspections and the administration costs of reports. The total estimated cost is \$10,000. This will be compared to actual cost figures over the year 2001.

The new trench construction will be needed in 3-5 years. This cost is approximately \$150,000 which needs to be allowed for in the capital reserves.

Concern was expressed over the budget forecasting, that there be more planning for specific capital reserves.

The M.D. feels that the second landfill site will eventually be established in La Crete.

More information is required to determine budget changes for future years.

Amendments to Budget:

Administration be increased to \$10,000 from \$3,000

Resolution

Moved by Steve MacIntyre

That the 2001 Budget be accepted as amended for administration fees.

CARRIED

The following two items will be brought back to another meeting:

- Post closure reserve
- New cell construction reserve

5.2.2 Reconciliation of Tonnage Sales for 2000.

Darlene Hardy and Loretta Jenkins explained the adjustments between the weigh scales total sales and the financial statements.

Resolution

Moved by Wayne Thiessen

That the information be accepted for information.

CARRIED

5.2.3 Annual Report 2000 to Environment

The lagoon on the attached map is to be amended before submission.

Resolution

Moved by Wayne Thiessen

That the Annual Report 2000 be accepted for information and submitted to Alberta Environment.

CARRIED

5.3 2001 Projects

5.3.1 Lechite Analysis

Testing is required by AGAT Laboratories, and if acceptable, will be pumped off. Cost is approximately \$1,000.

5.3.2 Ground Water Run Off Improvements

Improving the ditching around the cells to prevent water running into the cells. Approximate cost is \$6,000

5.3.3 Ground Water Well Protection

To place tires around existing wells to protect them. They need to be planned properly to prevent interference with future roadways. This does not include repairs to existing wells.

Approximate cost is \$3,000

5.3.4 2001 Annual Report

This will be contracted out in order to include additional analysis.
Approximate cost is \$11,000.

5.3.5 Sprinkler for Evaporation of Leachite

This would remove the leachite. It is taking space required for refuse, and has to be removed.
Approximate cost is \$5,000.

5.3.6 Access Road Gravel

Included in miscellaneous services. Last year the cost was \$3,500.

5.3.7 Lagoon Waste Transfer

The landfill requires topsoil for closure or cells. Environment has suggested that we could use the residue from the cleaning out of the Town lagoon for topsoil. The concerns from prior years were noted. Further information is required. Jenkins Enterprises and Ron Pelenski explained the alternatives for cover materials and how we could use them.

5.4 Wasteworks Proposed Partnership

Ron Pelenski spoke to the matter.

References were checked in Fort St John, Peace River and Brooks. All confirmed that it was good for them, and profitable. The key was to ensure that we were protected as an Authority, as they tend to overbuild the capital requirement.

EUB must be involved with approvals for the site and the removing of waste.

This should be looked at in light of our need for top soil cover and revenue earnings. But the details will not be known until after the study is completed.

Canadian Crude Separators and Maplethorpe are also interested.

Jenkins was asked if they would be interested in this kind of work? They confirmed they would.

Ron's concern was the testing requirements that are in place with the firms that are now in the business.

Steve asked if there was a call for an RFP to accommodate the interested parties. The RFP would have to state the requirements, covering standards and testing. The present offer by Wasteworks would give them exclusive rights to this process in the landfill.

After a positive feasibility study a partnership would be formed. There was a discussion over the difference between a contract and a partnership.

Resolution

Moved by Steve MacIntyre

That the proposal by Wasteworks be deferred to the next meeting to allow more information to be gathered as well as other proposals submitted.

CARRIED

Request legal advice on issue.

5.5 Environmental Requirements for a Level 2 Landfill

Resolution

Moved by Jean Lederer

That the Level 2 requirements be tabled to the next meeting.

CARRIED

5.6 2002 / 2003 Projects

Resolution

Moved by

That the discussion on 2002/2003 projects be tabled.

CARRIED

5.6.1 Update of Master Plan

5.6.2 Build Lechite Holding Pond

5.6.3 Access Road Improvements

5.6.4 Fencing

6. Date of Next Meeting

Monday June 25 at 9 a.m.

7. Adjournment

Resolution

Moved by Jean Lederer

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That the meeting be adjourned at 12:07 p.m..

CARRIED