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MINUTES OF MEETING

January 18, 2001

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CMC SOARD

Society (Members

R.M. Ausland, Chairman,

S. Cober-Stasiufi

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G. Merliã-Wa(5h,

Pettipas, D.

Wight,

HRM Council

Representative

Cir. G. Meade - Dist. 23,

Or. R. Rankin - Dist. 22,

HRM Ex-officio

Mayor Peter Kelly,

HRM Council

Appointment Cir. R.

Water - Dist. 15,

Call to Order

The Chairman seeing a Quorum present called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

Attendance

Present: R. MacAuland, K. Murphy, S. Cober-Stasiulis, B. Holland, R. Kelsie, G, Merlin-Walsh* D. Wright, Cir. G. Meade, Cir, R. Rankin, CIT. R. Walker, A. Murray, M. L Saturley and D. Mason. Absent: K. Lea, D. Pettipas, and Mayor P. Kelly,

Agenda

The agenda as circulated was agreed by the Members.

Minutes of Previous Meeting - November 16, 2000

D Mason noted that Clr, R. Rankin was not present and there is a grammatical error in tense of a verb.

MOTION to adopt the minutes of November 16, 2000 with noted revisions.

Moved; Clr. R. Rankin, Seconded: Clr. R. Welker, CARRIED.

15. Matters Arising from the Minutes .1 Update on Letters to HRM

This item is to be in the Chair's report.

{6. Updated Activity Report (Otter Lake Facility)

The Chair referred to the distributed monitoring data report and commented that the cumulative volume of material processed at Otter Lake Facility is 33.5% higher by Decembpr than last year- The analysis will be completed to include December where in there will be two full years of data for comparison.

Incident report (Otter Lake Facility) Rainfall Overflow he Chair advised that a letter from HRM Solid Waste Resource staff notified CMC of a rainfall overflow incident ht Otter Lake Facility on December 21 ,2000. The letter to CMC was timely and by fax on January 5,20011 The wag dealt in accotdance with the existing Mirror operational procedures, The rainwater from an intense rain pollecting in cell #2 (under construction), piped to and overloaded the existing retention system. The lette;r identified HRM commitment to install in 2001 a new settling pond to contain rainwater from future consm.nctionjareas.

Members discussed the improved timeliness of the notification and the implications of the recent and prefious three hmcidents- HRM Council was advised that the rainstorm was a I year event. The cost of a new containment pond {s estimated by HRM is to be \$ 175,000, A new cell scheduled to begin construction in 2001 at a cost of \$3,5 inillion,

Ir. Rankin advised that he wrote a letter to HRM Solid Waste Resources Director, B. Smith, about the ongoing risk Nine Mile River from the incidents and a commitment that a new containmentpond will be constructed in 2001. ihe Chair characterized the existing system of containment as caring for nmoff outside the cens while thãproposed end would oare for runoff from inside unused (under construction) cells.

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MOTION: to write HRM, Mr. K. Meeoh, for assurance that there not be a breach Of containment of 9tdrmwater going to Nile Mile River and that HRM will provide a new containment pond capable of managing a 1:i00 year frequency rainstorm.

Moved: Clr. R, Rankin, Seconded: Cir R- Walker,

CARRIED

8. Updates of Committees .1 Membership Committee

Clr. R, Walker reported on a recent joint meeting with the communications committee when it recommended to provide letters to the editors of newspapers identi\$'ing the process for citizens to obtain membership in CMC

Members discussed the timing of membership applications and the opportunity to vote at an Ainal General Meeting.

The Secretary was requested to provide at the next meeting a list of Society members.

.2 Public Hours (Facility/Office) Committee

ML. Saturley reviewed the progress of the committee and that a telephone/fr(line rental is beijhg negotiated for CMC to be monitored and located at the Secretary's place of business along with}.the purchase of a voice answering machine.

MOTION: that an expenditure of \$1000 be authorized from the Public Hours Committee budgm for an annual rental of a telephone/fax line and the purchase of a voice answering machine,

Moved: Clr. G. Meade, Seconded: R. Kelsie,

CARRIED

Members discussed the timing and preparation required for presentations to the public and concluded that the planning begin for a presentation in October,

.3 Advertising/Communications Committee

A. Murray indicated that the committee is preparing for a newsletter which could include a membership appeal. The committee has budget for a newsletter. She said that an updated CMC brochure is béng planned for printing and distribution to HRM service centers,

Members agreed to send information on CMC activities to Society members.

.4 New Era Farms Monitoring Committee

G. Merlin,,WaIsh attended a recent meeting of the New Era Community Liaison meeting - D, WI?ight was invited to attend by HRM Solid Waste Resources staff. Items discussed included: roof damage by wind to the vinyl covering of the curing area* plastic removal from the input materials, unwanted contamination of glass, hard plastic and newspaper, limited sale and soil blending ofoutput compost, pending compost analysis results.

She requested a copy Of the HRM/New Era agreement.

The Executive Director is requested to obtain a copy of the HRM/New Era agreement and provide a copy to members-

Members discussed the previous commitments of NS Dept of Environment & Labour to monitoÉ the New Era Facility.

The Executive Director is requested to "Tite NS Dept of Environment & Labour to request what•problems have been encountered, what course of acting is been implemented for resolution and invite participation at the CMC February meeting.

Miller Monitoring Committee

D. Wright attended a Miller Community' Liaison meeting Of November 30, 2000. Items discussed included:

- the recent installation of a perimeter odour suppressant system, recent process volumes of 90 tonnes per day,

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- the proposed spring replacement of the biofilter, e approximately 6 tonnes per week of rejected material goes to the Otter Lake Facility for disposal .

Members discussed the original policy intention of the end use of the compost facilities outputé by the public and inquired as to the current potential for public use and the financial returns to HRM. The Executive Director is requested to Invite HRM Solid Waste Resources for proof of use of output of the compost plants.

The Executive Director is requested to Invite HRM Solid Waste Resources for the process flow and costing to HRM of materials to the Otter Lake Facility rejected from HRM compost plants and again rejected by Otter Lake Facility for return to the compost plants,

S Other Committees

K. Murphy reported that he had reviewed the last monthly operational report and had no comments to bring to members attention from the Technical Subcommittee.

9. Treasurer's Report

Secretary/Treasurer recommended and Members agreed the registered agent of the Society be the Secretary/Treasurer,

Report on Telephone Arrangements re: CMC

The Secretary/Treasurer reported there were no calls from the public since the last meeting.

11. Chairman's Report and Survey Meeting with HRM

The Chair will meet HRM officials on January 19, 2001 and requested input to the agenda. Members recommended the following topics for the Meeting:

- New Era performance,
- CMC opposition to sludge from the Halifax Harbour's Solution Project being taken to the Otter Lake facility,
- The Status of Sharps disposal implementation,
- The status of Provincial proposed changes to landfill liner standards,
- The status of HRM proposed Construction & Debris Regulations,
- The resolution to slow response time to CMC inquiries to HRM,

11. Other Business

.1 Construction & Demolition

Members noticed an HRM advertisement of a meeting on January 22 regarding the public input to proposed

Construction & Debris Regulations. K. Murphy agreed to attend, obtain information and report to the next CMC meeting.

312, Adjournment

Members confirmed: Next Meeting as 7:00 pm February 1st, 2001,
and agreed to meet at: Golda's Café and Tearoom, 816 Prospect Road-
the business of the meeting being concluded the Chairman called for a motion to adjourn at 9:16.
MOTION: that the meeting be adjourned.
Moved: S. Stasiulis.

Mason, Recording Secretary

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4APPROVED;

R. MacAusland, Chairman

S. Cober-Stasiulis, Secretary/Treasurer