



**RSC 12 Solid Waste Committee**

Meeting of January 14, 2016, 6:00 p.m.

650 Main Street, Unit #4, Woodstock

**Attendance:** Craig Melanson (Chair)  
Jim Kennedy  
Joe Weston  
Leonard Foster

**Staff:** Katelyn Hayden (Executive Director/Planning Director)

**Regrets:** Luc Marcoux

**Call to Order:**

Meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. by the Chair.

**Approval of Agenda:**

It was moved by Jim Kennedy and seconded by Joe Weston the agenda be approved.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Approval of Minutes:**

It was moved by Joe Weston and seconded by Leonard Foster the minutes of the November 25, 2015 Committee meeting be approved as circulated.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Conflict of Interest Declaration:**

None

**Business Arising:**

- Curbside Recycling

Katelyn Hayden presented to the committee the "WVRSC Curbside Recycling Program Background Report", which is attached as Appendix A. The following topics were discussed:

- County Discrepancies - Differences between Carleton/York Counties and Victoria County collection processes;



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- Victoria County Challenges - implementation challenges in Victoria County, and available options for Victoria County;
- Contracts - Existing contracts and the implications of altering the collection system;
- Program Cost - Currently there are too many unknown variables to accurately estimate costs;
- Partnership - Potential to continue to operate with J.S. Bellis as a recycling facility, and/or as a transfer station only.
- Recycling Facilities - Are there other recycling facilities in Maine or Nova Scotia where we could send our material if J.S. Bellis is not interested?
- Provincial Facility - Has the Province looked at a Provincial facility?
- Public Survey - The committee requested staff to prepare a public survey in order to gauge public interest in the possibility of curbside recycling to be reviewed at the next meeting.

### **Summary:**

Overall the committee felt the objective was not to save money, but to offer the public the best possible service. The committee decided the next step is to conduct a meeting with Peter Morin of J.S. Bellis to determine if the company has any interest in becoming a recycling facility or contracting as a recycling transfer station. That decision will determine what further investigations will be required from staff. The best case scenario would be J.S. Bellis is interested and we can work together to develop the recycling program; however, if that is not the case the committee will be required to explore other options.

### **Next Meeting:**

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 20<sup>th</sup> 3:00 p.m. at the Commission Office. Katelyn to advise the committee members once Peter Morin has confirmed he is available to attend.

**It was moved by Leonard Foster to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m.**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Craig Melanson", is written over a horizontal line.

Craig Melanson, Chair