



Solid Waste Advisory Committee

Meeting of August 9, 2018, 12:00 pm.

Hartland Town Hall, Hartland, New Brunswick

Attendance: Elaine English (Chair)
Leonard Foster
Luc Marcoux
Keith Helmuth
Jim Kennedy

Regrets: Joe Weston

Staff: Anne Henderson (Solid Waste Manager)

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 12:04 pm by Jim Kennedy.

Approval of Agenda:

A motion was made to approve the agenda by Jim Kennedy and seconded by Leonard Foster.

No Opposed

MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Luc Marcoux and seconded by Keith Helmuth to approve the minutes from the June 27, 2018 meeting.

No Opposed

MOTION CARRIED

Business Arising:

Cart distribution:

Anne Henderson provided the committee with the latest update on the cart delivery. Hot weather has slowed down the process as well as the influx of materials arriving at the recycling facility but residents who were missed are and will be getting their carts over the next month or so.

Recycling facility contract with J.S. Bellis

Anne Henderson provided an update on the drafting of the recycling facility contract with J.S. Bellis. The final changes have been sent to the lawyer and the final copy should be sent by next week. The committee is comfortable with the contract not being in place at this time as we have always maintained a good working relationship with J.S. Bellis and verbal contracts have been in place. However, this is a priority issue for the Commission.



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Village of Perth-Andover and Meductic:

Elaine updated the committee on the meeting held in Meductic on July 12, 2018 with their council. The Village council had a number of questions concerning the program that could not all be addressed during the meeting and the Village will remain non-participants in the collection of recyclables at the curb until they feel their questions and concerns are addressed. Choosing not to collect the recyclable materials does not allow them to opt out of paying the solid waste fees associated with running the program.

The Village of Perth-Andover is now fully participating in the program.

New Business:

Recycling depots

Now that the majority of residents have received their blue bins the depot containers in most areas are no longer needed to service residential homes. In the past the committee discussed the option of leaving a few in areas that have larger apartment units and for residents who do not receive regular curbside waste collection. These areas were to be Woodstock, Skiff Lake/Canterbury, Florenceville-Bristol, North Lake, Perth-Andover and Meductic as they are not currently collecting recyclables at the curb.

It was also discussed the committee would continue to look into ways to improve access to recycling in the areas that do not have regular waste collection services.

The committee moved to make recommendations to the board that only the 7 depots discussed remain in use until Dec. 31 2019 and all other non-essential depots be removed by Dec. 31, 2018. The essential depots would be those that service the lakes region (Grand Lake, Skiff lake, 1st & 2nd Eel Lakes).

A motion was made by Jim Kennedy and seconded by Luc Marcoux to recommend to the board that the RSC remove the depot recycling bins from all locations other than 2 in Woodstock, Canterbury/Skiff Lake, North Lake, 1 in Florenceville-Bristol, 1 in Perth-Andover, and Meductic.

No opposed

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Leonard Foster and seconded by Jim Kennedy to recommend to the Board that the RSC remove all depot recycling bins from the region except those servicing the Lakes region (Grand, Skiff, 1st & 2nd Eel and North Lake) by Dec 31st 2019.

No opposed

MOTION CARRIED

It was discussed that some towns and villages could be given the option to maintain the depot bin service but at their own expense as it would likely service small businesses and commercial operations which are not part of the RSC's mandated solidwaste services.



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Anne Henderson indicated that she would discuss with other RSC's what they did with their old depot recycling bins once their curbside recycling program was in place. Anne also indicated that she would explore options of what could be done with the bins once they are no longer in use with the last resort being scrap metal salvage. The bins that are to remain may be able to have the partitions removed in order to cut down on the collection frequency as one side fills quicker than others. Anne will discuss this option with Gordon Burke. The committee discussed the option of updating the decals but concluded that the cost would likely not be worth the time or cost as most bins will be obsolete in the future. Anne indicated she would also discuss with Gordon Burk the best way to remove some of the old decals on the bins as they indicate that plastic shopping bags are accepted.

Anne indicated to the committee that Joan Kennedy is looking to finalize the RSC's 2019 budget and now is the time to discuss what the Solid Waste Departments budget needs will be for 2019 as far as the depot containers. It was discussed that those answers could only be answered after the prior recommendations above go to the board for approval. The next scheduled Board meeting is Aug. 16th 2018 at the RSC office in Centreville.

Anne mentioned that Frank Tenhave would like the Solid Waste Committee to make a recommendation to the Board that all recycling program related discussions at the board table end as the program is implemented, was board approved, there are employees in the office to answer questions as needed and there is no option to opt out of the program.

A motion was made by Luc Marcoux and seconded by Keith Helmuth that the Solid Waste Committee recommend to the board that all recycling program related discussions/questions at the Board table no longer be entertained as the program is implemented and running as approved by the Board.

No opposed
MOTION CARRIED

Leonard Foster asked Anne to look into what other RSC's are doing with Construction and Demolition (C&D) waste in their regions as it is sometimes an issue at the dumpster sites in the lakes region.

It was moved by Jim Kennedy to adjourn the meeting at 12:54 pm.

X 
Elaine English, Chair