

Solid Waste Advisory Committee

Meeting of May 12, 2021 Via Zoom

# Attendance:

Elaine English, Chair Keith Helmuth Tracey DeMerchant Joe Weston

## **Regrets**:

Jim Kennedy Carl Rattray Leonard Foster

# Staff:

Katelyn McGrath (Executive Director) Barb Sharp (Waste Diversion Manager)

## Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 by Elaine English.

## Approval of Agenda:

A motion was made to approve the agenda by Joe Weston and seconded by Tracey DeMerchant.

No Opposed

## **MOTION CARRIED**

## Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Joe Weston and seconded by Tracey DeMerchant to approve the meeting minutes from March 24, 2021.

No Opposed

**MOTION CARRIED** 

## **Business Arising:**

 Katelyn McGrath reviewed the "Agreement for Receipt, Collection and Processing Services of Dry Recyclable Materials" contract (recycling contract) in detail with the Committee, which was signed by Harold Johnsen, VP and Ken MacLean, VP of J.S. Bellis and returned to us on May 10, 2021.



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A motion was made by Keith Helmuth and seconded by Tracey DeMerchant to enter into the contract and sign as reviewed.

No Opposed

# **MOTION CARRIED**

- Barb Sharp reached out to various municipalities and other RSCs to find out what their plans are, if any, around population growth, and the provision of recycling carts. She shared information from those that responded as follows; the Towns of Woodstock, Florenceville-Bristol and the Village of Centreville have extra recycling carts and currently provide to their residents upon request as needed. The Town of Woodstock is in discussion with Cook's Construction about recycling for the new developments on Jones Street. The Village of Canterbury thought it was a good idea to have a few extra carts and will take this to the newly elected Council in due course. The Village of Plaster Rock and Perth-Andover expect residents to provide their own bins. There are no consistent plans in other regions around the province.
- A letter of support to endorse the original letter from the Chair of the Fundy Regional Services Commission to the Minister of Environment was sent requesting consistent legislation towards a provincial bag reduction ban.

# New Business:

- ETF Grants for 2021-2022 were confirmed as follows: \$45000 for Household Hazardous Waste, \$15000 for Recycle@School and \$25000 for Waste Reduction Education projects.
- The Fredericton Real Estate Board advised all agents to let their sellers know that blue recycling bins are to remain with the civic address they were delivered to in 2018.
- The Town of Hartland has obtained our recycling information and has agreed to include it in their new Welcome Wagon program.
- The Commission has acquired Zero Waste boxes for disposable masks and plastic bags in an effort to divert more waste from the landfill.



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It was moved by Joe Weston to adjourn the meeting at 1:00 pm.

Elaine English, Chair