

Environmental Services Advisory Committee
Meeting: January 28th - 7 PM, Township Office

Minutes:

Attendance: Jeff Poole, Richard Marcoux, MaryAnn Geertsema, Carson Massey.

- 1) Jeff Poole called the meeting to order.
- 2) Jeff Poole was nominated for the position of Committee Chair by Richard Marcoux, the nomination was seconded by Carson Massey. Acclaimed.
- 3) Waste Disposal Site job descriptions and Delegates/Staff were items added to the Agenda as New Business. Richard Marcoux moved that the Agenda be approved as amended, seconded by Carson Massey, carried.
- 4) Carson Massey moved that the Minutes of the last meeting be approved, seconded by Richard Marcoux, carried. There was consensus that Minutes of Committee meetings should be sent to Council, and made public, after they are approved.
- 5) Ongoing Business:
 - a) Waste Disposal Site Fee Schedule: The new fee schedule was approved by Council and added to the bylaw. It is currently not posted in the Township Office. Jeff Poole will check to see that it is posted at the office and on the website, and that WDS staff have the information they need.
- 6) New Business:
 - a) Priorities/Goals for next 4 years
 - b) Priorities/Goals: for 2015:

This was a discussion of both long and short term goals:

 - 1) The Township has added many streams to our recycling programs and should look into composting to add a new option.
 - 2) Hay bale bag and boat wrap recycling.
 - 3) Waste Disposal Site Entrance: too steep, too crowded.
 - 4) Revisit our previous lobbying efforts and resolutions on recycling and rebate programs.
 - 5) Safety concerns regarding the glass pits, as well as questions as to whether this is actually being used as cover material.
 - 6) The Committee decided that they would visit the WDS on Tuesday February 3rd.
 - 7) There should be an increased effort to educate the public on recycling and alternatives and this should include printed information and presentations.
 - 8) Township employees will need more information, and better procedure.
 - 9) We need better tracking of how much waste is going into the WDS.
 - c) Waste Disposal Site Job Descriptions: It was agreed that there needs to be an operating guideline, or set of procedures developed for the operation of the WDS.
 - d) Delegates/Visitors:
 - 1) It was agreed that the Committee would in future like to meet with the Public Works Supervisor, the WDS staff, Wayne Trickey to discuss issues that they might be aware of.
 - 2) It was agreed that the Committee should also visit other waste disposal sites in the area, as well as asking for information from other areas in order to understand best practices.
 - 3) It was suggested that the Committee invite someone from the Ministry of the Environment to help us better understand the licensing and regulation of the WDS.
- 7) Adjourned.