

**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO
REGIONAL SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2015
BOARD CHAMBERS**

Present:

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| Alec McPherson | Chair, RDN Director | Michael Recalma | Qualicum First Nation |
| Frank Van Eynde | Member at Large | Al Cameron | Town of Qualicum Beach |
| Jan Hastings | Non Profit Representative | Charlotte Davis | City of Nanaimo |
| Wally Wells | Business Representative | Glenn Gibson | Island Heath |
| Gerald Johnson | Member at Large | Michele Green | Member at Large |
| John Finnie | Member at Large | Amanda Ticknor | Member at Large |
| Craig Evans | Member at Large | Ellen Ross | Member at Large |

Also in Attendance:

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| Larry Gardner | Manager of Solid Waste, RDN |
| Sharon Horsburgh | Senior Solid Waste Planner, RDN |
| Daniel Pearce | A/GM Transportation & Solid Waste Services, RDN |
| Rebecca Graves | Recording Secretary, RDN |
| Paul Thorkelsson | CAO, RDN |
| Teunis Westbroek | Mayor, Town of Qualicum |
| Paul Thompson | Manager, Long Range Planning, RDN |

Regrets:

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| Chief & Council | Nanoose First Nation |
| Chief & Council | Snuneymuxw First Nation |
| Jeremy Jones | Business Representative |
| Rod Mayo | Institutional Waste Generator |
| Ed Walsh | Waste Management Industry |
| Fred Spears | District of Lantzville |
| Al Leuschen | Ministry of Environment |
| Karen Muttersbach | Environment Canada |
| Al Metcalf | City of Parksville |
| Jim McTaggart-Cowan | Member at Large |
| Brian Dietrich | Member at Large |

CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 5:20 pm.

MINUTES

MOVED F. Van Eyde, SECONDED G. Johnson, that the minutes from the meeting of the Regional Solid Waste Advisory Committee regular meeting held December 11, 2014, be amended and adopted as per discussion.

CARRIED

REPORTS

Future Population and Demographics (P. Thompson)

P. Thompson presented the Future Population and Demographics presentation for the RDN. Other areas were referenced which included City of Parksville, Town of Qualicum, City of Nanaimo and 7 Electoral areas. The presentation included population growth, profile, distribution and housing comparisons within the RDN and City of Nanaimo. The projected stats are compiled from Census Canada and BC Stats.

F. Van Eynde questioned if there were any studies done for survival rates for the 40-50 year olds?

C. Davies asked if there was any information of the number of households that are receiving collection services from other municipalities?

G. Johnson questioned if there any statistics available to come up with assessed value by housing type?

P. Thompson commented that he could look into this and get back to Committee.

C. Evans questioned if there is any historical data that goes back 35 years that could show what occurred and then translate what the diversion rates were.

P. Thompson replied that it would be difficult to obtain those records as BC Stats do not date back that far.

Finalize Consultation Plan (L. Gardner)

L. Gardner informed the Committee that following the presentation by Maura Walker in December 2014, the Consultation and Communications Plan has been revised and submitted to the Ministry of Environment for comment. This Plan is our commitment to do consultation and how we will move forward.

MOVED G. Johnson, SECONDED J. Finnie, that the Consultation Plan be adopted.

The motion was amended to include a request by the Committee that public consultation should occur in Stage 2 as well as Stage 3.

CARRIED

Stage One Review & Update (S. Horsburgh)

S. Horsburgh gave an overview of the Stage One Report and discussed how it was presented at several public forums which included a Hauler's and Recycling Roundtable meeting, RDN Board Members Workshop, Zero Waste Community Workshop and two RSWAC meetings. Current system includes key programs, policies and infrastructure. A discussion occurred in regards to the Stage 1 process and to review issues and opportunities moving forward. The next step is to present the Stage One report and issues to the Select Committee and then to the RDN Board for approval.

Finalize the Issues (S. Horsburgh)

S. Horsburgh discussed the Issues and Work plan document that Committee members had received. The document outlines the issues captured from the results of the findings in the Stage One Existing System report and stakeholder meetings. The work plan reflects the issues identified to date.

Region Wide Newsletter & Survey Questions (S. Horsburgh)

S. Horsburgh gave a demonstration of the web based Solid Waste Management Plan survey and invited feedback on the newsletter & survey questions.

Future Waste Generation Projections (L. Gardner)

L. Gardner briefly outlined the presentation on why future waste generation projections were important. Forecasting future waste generation is effected by a number of variables such as regional growth, stewardship programs, waste export and consumerism.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED J. Hastings that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

CHAIRPERSON