

APPROVED

**Minutes of the Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission Meeting held
Thursday January 21, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. at the Mountain View County Office**

Attendance:	Mary Jane Harper-Chairman	Town of Olds
	Joe Henze	Town of Sundre Alternate
	Everett Page	Mountain View County Alternate
	Al Molnar	Town of Carstairs
	Rick Mousseau	Town of Didsbury
	George Suel	Village of Cremona
	Dave Whitfield	Alberta Environment
	Neil Kivell, CAO	MVRWMC
	Don Reid, Supervisor	MVRWMC
	Carol Longwell, Recording Secretary	MVRWMC
Absent:	George Taylor Vice-Chairman	Town of Sundre
	Gwen Day	Mountain View County

No members of the public were in attendance.

1. Call to Order –Chairman Mary Jane Harper called the meeting of the Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission to order at 9:05 a.m.

2. Approval of Agenda:

MOTION: Moved by Rick Mousseau to approve the agenda as presented. **Carried**

3. Approval of Minutes:

Regular Meeting, December 17, 2009

MOTION: Moved by George Suel to adopt minutes of December 17, 2009 regular board meeting. **Carried**

4. Alberta Environment Report: Mr. Whitfield stated that they are waiting to hear who may be assigned the duties of waste and recycling within the Environment Ministry in light of a change in Ministerial assistants. He also stated that they are doing research for an end use of recycled shingles and agriculture plastics.

MOTION: Moved by George Suel to accept the Alberta Environment report as information. **Carried**

5. Directors Report/Issues/ Concerns:

The Town of Sundre and the Town of Didsbury, have no waste issues at this time. The Town of Sundre stated that there are complaints of overflowing bins at the recycle centre. Mountain View County asked about the new rates that were effective January 1, 2010. The Town of Olds stated that residents are putting garbage at the recycle centre and that surveillance cameras may need to be installed. The Town of Olds contract with Waste Management Inc. ends July1, 2010. The Village of Cremona is starting to educate their residents regarding the closed lid policy. They will inform us when the policy is to take effect.

MOTION: Moved by Al Molnar that the Directors reports be accepted as presented. **Carried.**

6. Business Arising Out of the Minutes:

a) Landfill License Application.

We have received a request for further information and clarification from Alberta Environment regarding our application for landfill license approval. We forwarded this communication to Parkland Geotechnical Consulting Limited to provide Alberta Environment with the technical answers to their questions.

MOTION: Moved by Joe Henze that the Board of Directors accept the report on the license application as information. **Carried.**

7. Review of Financial Situation:

a) Review of December Revenue and Expenditure:

Statements of revenue and expenditures for December are not available until all year end revenue and expenditure has been accrued.

MOTION: Moved by Rick Mousseau that the Board of Directors receive the financial report as presented. **Carried.**

b) Review of Cheque Registers

Cheque registers are reviewed by the Board via e-mail throughout the month. There were no further comments regarding the cheque registers.

MOTION: Moved by Joe Henze that the Board of Directors receive the review of cheque registers as presented. **Carried**

8. Operation Supervisor's Report:

- December and January were very exciting months for recycling. The product was heavy enough to require a second shift in our baling room for paper and cardboard. Our balers were producing up to 65 bales of newsprint and mixed paper per day or 35 cardboard bales per day.
- We have been hard pressed to keep up with the seasonal recycle at each of the urban and rural recycle stations in the county-one truck-one baler and a huge amount of product to bale. We had our roll-off truck and driver operating as well as our recycle people working on Boxing Day just to keep up to demand.
- As stated in the budget process, we have reached the point that our roll-off trailer and tractor unit was working long hours to keep up to the wet waste bins and recycle. A dingle truck roll-off unit has been ordered and should be in Calgary by the end of May.
- The Landfill is quiet and this is expected at this time of year. During the warm stretch of weather we have taken advantage of the time and completed any necessary repacking that needed to be done. We estimate that in places we reclaimed about ½ meter of air space. We have also placed additional wood chips from Sundre Forest Products as daily cover to alleviate the possibility of debris blowing this spring.
- We appear to have decent handle on the raven population. The combination of additional cover, the bird diversion cannon and noisemaker as well a shooting the birds appears to be working. There are days that we do not see any birds at the working face, however, when it is cold we see 40 birds. Over the past two months we have had to destroy 29 ravens.

MOTION: Moved by Al Molnar that the Board of Directors accept the Operation Supervisor's Report as presented. **Carried**

9. New Business/CAO Report:

a) Tangible Asset Policy:

With the introduction of the amortization of tangible capital assets, it is in the best interest of the Commission to develop a policy for the management of those assets. The report to the audit committee for year ending December 31, 2008 indicated that a tangible asset policy would provide clarity to the Board and was recommended.

MOTION: Moved by Joe Henze that the Board of Directors approve the Tangible Asset Policy as presented. **Carried**

b) Waste Disposition 2009:

A chart showing the recycle volume by material, the total waste generated and waste/compost generation by community was reviewed by the board. Administration is very pleased to report that in excess of 30% of all waste collected was recycled in 2009.

MOTION: Moved by George Suel that the Board of Directors receive the report on recycle/waste statistics as information. **Carried**

10. Committee of the Whole:

MOTION: Moved by Al Molnar to take the meeting in camera. **Carried.**

The meeting moved in camera @ 10:20 am

MOTION: Moved by Everett Page to take the meeting out of camera. **Carried.**

The meeting moved out of camera @ 11:05 am

MOTION: Moved by George Suel that Administration prepare a feasibility study of alternate landfill revenue streams. **Carried**

MOTION: Moved by Rick Mousseau that Administration grant a 60 day deferral on the January 1, 2010 rate adjustments as discussed in camera. **Carried**

MOTION: Moved by Al Molnar to authorize the hiring of an hourly contract consultant and that administration prepare a project description and work plan the March 2010 board meeting.

11. Adjournment – Date and Time of Next Meeting – Thursday, February 18 at 9:00 a.m. at the Town of Olds office.

MOTION: Moved by Joe Henze that the meeting be adjourned. **Carried**

Chairman Harper adjourned the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

Chairman

Chief Administrative Officer