

APPROVED

**Minutes of the Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission Meeting held
Thursday March 25, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. at the Carstairs Town Office**

Attendance:	Mary Jane Harper-Chairman	Town of Olds
	Rick Mousseau	Town of Didsbury
	Gwen Day	Mountain View County
	Al Molnar	Town of Carstairs
	George Suel	Village of Cremona
	Joe Henze	Town of Sunde-Alternate
	Don Reid, CAO	MVRWMC
	Jack Walton Operations Supervisor	MVRWMC
	Carol Longwell, Recording Secretary	MVRWMC

Absent:

Dave Whitfield	Alberta Environment
George Taylor Vice-Chairman	Town of Sundre

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. The new Operations Supervisor, Jack Walton was introduced.

2. Approval of Agenda:

MOTION: Moved by Gwen Day to approve the agenda as presented. **Carried**

3. Approval of Minutes:

Regular Meeting, February 18, 2010

MOTION: Moved by Al Molnar to adopt minutes of February 18, 2010 regular board meeting. **Carried**

4. Alberta Environment Report: Mr. Whitfield was away so no report was given.

5. Directors Report/Issues/ Concerns:

The Town of Didsbury, the Town of Carstairs, Mountain View County, and the Village of Cremona have no waste issues at this time. The Town of Sundre mentioned that the SPOG Neighbors Day will be held in September and that a “Learning to Recycle” class will be given by the elementary students. The Town of Olds mentioned that Tim Horton’s is complaining about the cost of their waste disposal. Tim Horton’s waste costs have tripled since beginning with Waste Management 5 years ago. The Town of Olds contract with Waste Management expires June 30, 2010. For clarification purposes please note that “Waste Management” is not Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission. Mary Jane Harper spoke with Cal Dallas, the parliamentary assistant to Ms. McQueen, regarding our landfill application.

MOTION: Moved by George Suel that the Directors reports be accepted as presented. **Carried.**

6. Business Arising Out of the Minutes:

a) Landfill License Application:

We have heard nothing new from Alberta Environment regarding our license application. Parkland Geotechnical Consulting indicated they are nearing completion of their report for submission to Alberta Environment regarding the landfill application. No completion date was given. Parkland Geo. is also responsible for putting together the annual report for the landfill and submitting it to Alberta Environment. A completion date was not available.

b) Ridgeline GreenFill Inc., Agreement.

Ridgeline has been contacted and amendments have been made to their proposal.

MOTION: Moved by Joe Henze that the Board of Directors receive this report as information. **Carried.**

7. Review of Financial Situation:

a) Review of February Revenue and Expenditure:

Statements of revenue and expenditures for February were presented.

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.

c) 2009 Approved Audit

Mr. Greg Weins will be at our April meeting to present the results of the 2009 approved audit.

MOTION: Moved by Rick Mousseau that the Board of Directors approve Financial Report as presented. **Carried**

8. Operation Supervisor's Report:

- **Employee Safety Program:** This program is running well. There are monthly meetings and the employees are participating well. All employees have been made aware that all accidents, no matter how minor, must be reported. This also includes all malfunctions of any equipment. Anything not reported will result in disciplinary action.
- **Day to Day:** The trucks and equipment are operating very well. General maintenance is ongoing. We estimate that the old garbage that was dug out from the old cells and used for daily cover on the class II cell only, will be used up by the end of July.
- **Roll-Off Trailer Unit:** The new roll-off trailer unit should arrive by mid-May.
- **Bird Population:** The bird population is down mainly because our daily cover is in good shape. We have hauled wood chips and sawdust over the winter. This has been a big help in keeping garbage out of the sight of the birds.
- **Landfill:** We are putting in a new leachate collection system into the east phase of our Class III cell.
- **We have placed a recycle trailer at the Midway School for a test period.**

•
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) Agriculture Plastics Annual Collection Program:

The annual farm plastics program is set to kick off April 5 and will end October 31, 2010. This year MVRWMC in conjunction with Mountain View County will significantly increase the amount of collection time allowed for accepting farm plastics at the Olds Transfer Station.

b) Merlin Plastics:

The Commission is shipping agricultural plastics to Merlin Plastics. Merlin Plastics will not pay the Commission for farm plastics. The Commission will however, only pay for shipping costs to Calgary using our own truck and trailer. Merlin will then pay shipping costs from Calgary to their facilities in British Columbia. Merlin is in the developmental stages of processing agricultural plastics and needs feed stock. It is in the best interest of the Commission to partner with Merlin in hopes of creating a market for our own product.

c) Landfill As-Builts

We have asked Tagish Engineering to build an As-Builts for filling, sloping and contouring the landfill. By doing this we can better estimate our fill rates and end dates for each cell. Because we are contouring and sloping on a weekly basis, the time has come for professional help.

MOTION: Moved by George Suel that the Board of Directors receive the CAO's report as information. **Carried**

d) Scale House Replacement:

The present scale house at the landfill is in need of replacement. We have an opportunity to purchase a scale house from CWC. This scale house is compatible with the compostable toilet that we already own. The cost of removing the old scale house, purchasing, moving and installing the new scale house is estimated to be \$12,000...

MOTION: Moved by Joe Henze that the Board of Directors approve the purchase of the scale house for the landfill. **Carried**

10 Other Business

a) Newspaper Article:

The newspaper article that appeared in the February 23, 2010 Carstairs Courier titled "Carstairs leads region in garbage output" was discussed.

11 Committee of the Whole:

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

The meeting moved in camera @ 11:03 am

MOTION: Moved by Joe Henze to take the meeting out of camera. **Carried.**

The meeting moved out of camera @ 11:07 pm

12 **Adjournment** – Date and Time of Next Meeting – Thursday, April 22 at 9:00 a.m. at the Mountain View County office.

MOTION: Moved by Rick Mousseau that the meeting be adjourned. **Carried**

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

Chairman

Chief Administrative Officer