

**Minutes of the Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission Meeting held
Thursday November 26, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. at the Didsbury Town Office**

Attendance:	Mary Jane Harper-Chairman	Town of Olds
	Joe Henze	Town of Sundre Alternate
	Gwen Day	Mountain View County
	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
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 Gwen Day to approve the agenda as presented. **Carried**

3. Approval of Minutes:

Regular Meeting, October 22, 2009

MOTION: Moved by Rick Mousseau to adopt minutes of September 24, 2009 regular board meeting as corrected **Carried**

4. Alberta Environment Report: Mr. Whitfield stated that the Construction and Demolition recycling program may wait until the spring legislative setting. He complimented MVRWMC on the success of the RRC. Mr. Whitfield also stated that the AG plastic recycling market has improved and that there are now companies competing for agricultural plastics.

MOTION: Moved by Joe Henze to accept the Alberta Environment Report as information. **Carried.**

5. Directors Report/Issues/ Concerns:

The Town of Sundre, the Town of Carstairs, the Town of Didsbury, and the Village of Cremona have no waste issues at this time. Mountain View County stated that the new Ag Services farm chemical container recycle site may be put on hold due to reorganization of regional program. The Town of Olds stated that it is the intention of the Operations department to have a grand opening of the new recycle centre and that the MVRWMC administration would be invited.

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

6. Business Arising Out of the Minutes:

a) Environmental Impairment Liability Insurance.

The additional environmental insurance for the landfill has been requested. An environmental survey will be conducted and a report issued by an outside agency prior to receiving insurance coverage. This insurance does not cover closed (old) landfills and therefore will not cover the Sundre Transfer Station. The Sundre Transfer Station is located on approximately 7 acres of the original ¼ section landfill. Administration will gather information as to whether the 7 acres site owned by the Commission sits over an old landfill cell and will report back to the Board.

MOTION: Moved by Rick Mousseau that the Board of Directors accept the report on environmental impairment insurance as information. **Carried.**

7. Review of Financial Situation:

a) Review of October Revenue and Expenditure:

Statements of revenue and expenditures for October were presented.

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

8. Operation Supervisor's Report:

- High winds proved to be a menace at the landfill this month. We had no less than 10 days of winds gusting from 50 km to 100 km. Although we did have to do some plastic picking, our fences and daily covering techniques appeared to work well. We found that most of the debris that left our fence site was from the immediate working face. The amount of time spent picking plastic was minimal.
- So far this fall, we have had the good fortune of not having to deal with frozen clay for daily cover. By this time last year, we were already using wood chips from Sundre Forest Products. To date, we have hauled 5 walking floor loads of wood chips from Sundre and have collected another 11 loads from our sites during chipping. During a normal winter, we will bring in the neighborhood of 40 loads. At this point, I am hedging that we will need to bring in 50 to 60 loads of chips for the remainder of the winter. We found that last winter we were not getting daily cover (wood chips) on heavily enough and the winds were removing it from the top. This year we will make the correction to this process.
- We have been having some difficulty with the 40 yd Roll-Off trailer. The main hydraulic cylinder appears to have some type of wear on it that is not visible without tearing it down. The seal appears to be intact; however the oil is bypassing inside. The repair is a bit pricey at \$3500.00. A new cylinder is around \$9000.00 installed.
- All of our trucks and other equipment seem to be operating well with only the minor day to day issues to deal with.

- We have had one complaint of shingle nails on the road (RR 314) that was claimed to have punctured a tire. As we have captured over 1800 tonnes of shingle to date, this does not come as a surprise. We do, however, run our six foot heavy duty magnet over this road as well as inside roads on a regular basis.
- We have begun a complaint log so that all complaints can be tracked and acted upon as required.
- The truck barn has been inspected. There were 3 small problems that are already fixed. We will be moving the trucks into the barn at the end of this week.
- The Operations Supervisor attended a conference in Edmonton regarding agricultural pesticide containers. There is no monetary value to us to take over this project. More discussion will be required between the MVRWMC and Mountain View Country.

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

9. New Business/CAO Report:

a) Budget Review.

The CAO presented the 2010 draft budget.

The meeting recessed for a lunch break and a tour of the Resource Recovery Centre and truck barn with invited guests from our municipal membership at 12:30 P.M.

The meeting reconvened with all board members in attendance at 2:00 P.M.

Discussion and presentation of the draft 2010 budget continued.

MOTION: Moved by Joe Henze that the Board of Directors approve in principle the 2010 consolidated budget and rates. **Carried**

MOTION: Moved by Gwen Day that administration schedule a day long strategic planning meeting before March 2010. **Carried.**

b) Landfill License Application:

The status of the application is unknown at this time. Parkland Geotechnical sent a report to Alberta Environment. A letter of contravention has been sent to Alberta Environment stating that we will be 800-1000 tonnes over our annual registered limit.

MOTION: Moved by Rick Mousseau that the Board of Directors receive the report on the Landfill License Application 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 @ 2:55 pm.

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

The meeting moved out of camera @ 4:10 pm

MOTION: Moved by Joe Henze that Administration request more information and clarification from the Central Waste Management Commission regarding the proposed Customer Agreement for Waste Disposal. **Carried**

MOTION: Moved by Gwen Day that Administration negotiate further the proposal from Ridgeline GreenFill Inc. **Carried.**

MOTION: Moved by Gwen Day that Administration communicates to Municipal Area Partnership (MAP) the desire for a Letter of Support directed to Alberta Environment Minister Rob Renner, regarding the MVRWMC request to Alberta Environment for additional waste tonnage disposal at the Didsbury Landfill. **Carried.**

MOTION: Moved by Gwen Day that Administration send a request to Mountain View County asking for support in the area of Safety Services from MVC personnel. **Carried.**

MOTION: Moved by Al Molnar that Administration establish an annual award that will be presented to the member municipality which has shown the least solid waste disposal per capita to landfill in each calendar year. The 2009 award recipient is the Town of Sundre. The CAO and the chair will present the award to the Town of Sundre during a town council meeting. The CAO is to arrange for a suitable plaque/trophy and news release to the media. **Carried.**

MOTION: Moved by Rick Mousseau that MVRWMC accept non-artificial trees at transfer sites and the landfill at no charge until January 23, 2010. **Carried**

11. Other Business:

None at this time

12. Adjournment – Date and Time of Next Meeting – Thursday, December 17, 2009; 9:00 a.m. at Mountain View County.

MOTION: Moved by Al Molnar that the meeting be adjourned. **Carried**

Chairman Harper adjourned the meeting at 4:25 p.m.

Chairman

Chief Administrative Officer