

Capital Region Waste Minimization Advisory Committee Minutes
Meeting Location: EWMC
Site 100, 250 Aurum Road NE
Date: September 13, 2018

MUNICIPALITY/ ORGANIZATION	ATTENDEE ELECTED OFFICIAL	ATTENDEE STAFF/ BOARD MEMBER
Town of Beaumont	Steven VanNievwKerk	Alyssa Carson
Town of Calmar	Keith Froese	
Town of Devon	Tanya Hugh	
City of Edmonton		
City of Fort Saskatchewan		Sadie Miller
Leduc County		
City of Leduc	Glen Finstad	Kerra Chomlak, Rick Sereda
Town of Gibbons	Darren McCann	
Town of Morinville	Lawrence Giffin	
Parkland County		
City of Spruce Grove		Caitlin VanGaal
City of St. Albert	Ken MacKay	Olivia Kwok
Strathcona County		Leah Seabrook
Stony Plain	Linda Matties	
Sturgeon County	Susan Evans	
Redwater		
Westlock County		
RCA		
APRA		
ESRD		Shelleen Lakusta

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MEETING MINUTES

- **APRIL 19, 2018: MOTION, ALL IN FAVOR PASSED, MINUTES & AGENDA APPROVED.**
 No errors or error omissions

3. RENEWAL OF COMMITTEE CHAIR/ CO-CHAIR

Discussion regarding next year's Chair.

Chair Position: Three calls for nomination. Motion to close nomination – Susan. Glen Finstad acclaimed position. Vote: All in favor.

Vice Chair Position: Three calls for nomination. Motion to close nomination - Susan. Darren McCann acclaimed position. Vote: all in favor.

4. REVIEW AND UPDATE CRWMAC TERMS OF REFERENCE

- Committee Name Change – Olivia – It was suggested by the Technical Committee to change the current CRWMAC Committee name to Edmonton Region Waste Advisory

REVIEW AND UPDATE CRWMAC TERMS OF REFERENCE (CONT'D)

- Committee. Motion carried to have the name changed.
- Technical Committee is happy with the messaging in the EPR letter - key information sheet will be recirculated to the committee
- Darren took this letter to his Council
- Leah – RCA – Cost to Province. Working with AUMA on the value of EPR. Information will be circulated before the AUMA Conference later in September.
- Motion to circulate the EPR background information to committee members and RCA sample letter
- Updated letter from the City of Calgary to be recirculated
- Discussed lobbying for support for the costing of the removal/recycling of small appliances, electronics such as TV's, computers, computer hardware, keyboards.
- Local Waste Management Commissions want to attend these committee meetings and to be included in the Terms of Reference
- Motion: Distribute Susan's current Terms of Reference to the expanded member list (Local Waste Management Commissions) with the disclaimer 'members included, but not limited to . . .'
- Motion carried.

5. NEW BUSINESS

- Leah – Have regional discussions regarding creating a standard for the use of plastic bags, waste, recycle – dis-interest in using plastic
- Ft. McMurray currently discussing the who, what, how, etc. logistics of not using plastic bags
- Edmonton presented 3 Reports on single-use plastics to Utilities Committee
- Tech Committee to work on
- Please notify Leah if you are planning to bring more people to the meetings. She can add to the distribution list. It will also help with the room setup/strike.

8. ROUNDTABLE

City of Stony Plain: Linda Matties

Linda

- Recycling Facility – magnitude of project should be at the Regional level

Town of Devon: Tanya Hugh

Tanya

- Council unaware of the size of the Waste – glass issue
- More information needed on product content

Town of Beaumont: Steven VanNieuwKerk, Alyssa Carson

- **Steven**
 - Budget workshop – Waste, Treasure Hunt
 - Idea going to Council to provide grants for community groups that help with such projects as a park cleanup
- Alyssa**
- Organics – ease into recycling of food items
 - Education campaign for the transition
 - Initiating ‘Green Teams’ for residents, youth

Town of Calmar – Keith Froese (new representative – first meeting)

Keith

- Introduced self and shared some of his background.

Town of Gibbons: Darren McCann

Darren

- Changes made to the blue bag recycling – list of ‘no-goes’ created
- 60% of bags = no contamination
- 40% of bags = contamination
- Next recycling pick up – drivers will monitor the blue bag contents for contamination

Sturgeon County: Susan Evans

Susan

- Co-ordinating garbage contractor pick up

Town of Morinville: Lawrence Giffin

Lawrence

- Education is the big issue now with organics
- Landfills ongoing multi-billion dollar liability

City of St. Albert – Ken MacKay, Olivia Kwok

Ken

- Avid recyclers in city
- New CAO from Ft. McMurray
- Moving forward on Gasification Recovery
- Added multi-video to St. Albert Waste Management website on Waste management in China, Sweden, Italy. Worth taking a look.
- Alternative services – moving forward – report to Council in March 2019
- New Centrifuge for HydroVac system

Olivia

- Summer Recycling Campaign 'Oops What Goes Where'
- Door hangers to 3,500 houses with information about what specific items from their household shouldn't go in regular garbage, recycling
- **SWANA Award for Initiative**
- November Campaign launch for 'Change Blue Bags'
- Shredded paper should go into organics waste not regular household recycling.

Fort Saskatchewan: Sadie Miller

- **Sadie**
- End of August Waste Audit indicated lower contamination
- Service verification will be in trucks
- Tire containment area
- Organics Pilot Project – launching end of 2018 into 2019

City of Leduc: Glen Finstad, Rick Sereda, Kerra Chomlak

Kerra

- Recycling plastics, glass, styrofoam in blue bags
- Increased use of blue bags showing decrease in contamination
- Diapers – don't flush!! Should be in the bulk bins
- Reviewed door hanger from Regional sewage
- Phone survey – curbside, Eco Station Services
- RFP for Baler – wet waste to Landfill, waste to energy = future

Rick

- Eco Station upgrade moving forward, Council has approved 2 million dollar upgrade
- Constructing a sustainable building in 2019. Will be using building materials, such as, recycled flooring, recycled paint, solar panels for a NetZero standard
- HydroVac Waste – improving
- Will be treated by BOS Enterprises – City of St. Albert monitoring our success

Glen

- Commented about steam/carpet cleaners chemicals being used
- Currently being dumped into pits – to be monitored
- Ft. McMurray Conference – thank you to those who attended. The Ft. now able to recycle 14' tires

Strathcona County: Leah Seabrook

Leah

- 'Green Routine 2.0' in operation for 2 months
- Began this campaign as information first, door hangers, information at community events.
- Now well received in community
- Styrofoam, hard plastics and glass are now out in recycling collections
- September 10 began putting stickers on contaminated garbage and left at curbside.

- RCA Conference in Banff week of September 17 – 21.

AEP: Shelleen Lakusta

Shelleen

- Fire at aerosol plant
- Recent recycling changes – used oil is now being handled by Alberta Recycling.
- 10% increase in organics recycling

City of Spruce Grove: Caitlin VanGaal

Caitlin

- Re-thinking recycling
- Service level changes at the end of September 2018 – canvassing through surveys, ads and social media
- Changes in dates and types of garbage/recycling pick up
- No Christmas tree pick up at curbside. Tree to Eco Stations, now
- Community-based marketing – social media feedback door-to-door.
- Bathroom bins changed over to organic waste.

9. NEXT MEETING

- **NEXT MEETING:** 9:00 to 11:00, Thursday November 22, 2018 at the EWMC.
 - Motion to have the meeting on Thursday November 22, 2018
 - All in favor - Passed

10. ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.
 - Motion to adjourn
 - All in favor - Passed