

# TRI R COMMITTEE MINUTES

September 3, 2008

The regular meeting of the TRI R Committee was held on Wednesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008 at the Armour Township office and called to order at 7:30 p.m..

Committee members present included Bob MacPhail, Ron Russell, Glenn Miller, Paul Fink and Pat Hayes, Rex Smith arrived after the meeting had started. Staff, Dan Maxwell, Site Supervisor and Leanne Crozier, Administrator.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- ▶ A motion to accept the minutes of the regular meeting held August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2008 was passed.

## DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

- ▶ None

The Chair, Bob MacPhail reported on attending the recent AMO conference in Ottawa. At the conference Bob attended sessions related to landfills and recycling. Moving forward in making the manufactures of items responsible for the packaging they use and assisting municipalities with the disposal of the same was a main topic of discussion. Bob and Glenn briefly commented on the Plasco Energy Group, a system of converting garbage to clean synthetic gas currently in operation in Ottawa.

Bob also indicated that there has been no contact from Magnetawan council since the last meeting. Prior to the next meeting, the administrator will contact Magnetawan to determine if they will be submitting a proposal to this committee.

## DELEGATIONS

- ▶ Dan Maxwell, Site Supervisor attended and discussed the following:
  - ▶ Numbers for July based on log book being kept indicated the following:
    - ▶ 2,026 vehicles used the site
    - ▶ 5,229 bags of household garbage were counted
    - ▶ 528 vehicles into the site had no recycling
    - ▶ 69 vehicles used the site without proper blue cards
    - ▶ on average, 600 vehicles per week into the site.
  - ▶ The packer is back at the site and working, however, there is engine oil in the rad which has been flushed and oil is still evident, this is being monitored; the steering is still not correct.
  - ▶ The steel baler needs to have the electric motor repaired, this will put the baler down for about two weeks as the motor has to be sent to North Bay. Dan indicated he will fix the hydraulic cylinder while the motor is out for repair.
  - ▶ Prior to winter, Dan would like to fix the exterior wall of the main building and put an office inside the building. Dan indicated he would like to start this as soon as possible and suggested that he and Mark could complete this work. Dan was directed to get some pricing on these projects for the next meeting and also to get proper building permits prior to any work

being commenced.

- ▶ When asked if staffing at the site was sufficient, Dan indicated that he will have Marlene and Rick coming in early to work on recycling and he and Mark will start working on building repairs prior to the site opening; Mark has spoken with some committee members regarding winter hours not being enough, some negotiating is taking place. Dan suggested he would offer the additional time for snow removal to Mark this fall and winter.
- ▶ Dan was asked about the bears this season, indicating that they have been present at the site but have not presented any issues or concerns and are starting to be less visible as fall approaches.

#### APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS

- ▶ A motion was passed to authorize the payment of the landfill and recycling accounts as presented. Clarification of what the brake kleen is used for; the three rain vests and their cost; and the flat repair were discussed.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- ▶ The administrator is awaiting information on the recycling of polystyrenes and fluorescent lamps/ballasts which will be brought to the committee once received.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- ▶ Ron put forward the suggestion that new blue cards be provided in the new year. After a short discussion the administrator is to get a cost which will be discussed in the new year.
- ▶ A reminder to all committee members that the next hazmat day in Strong will be September 20<sup>th</sup> and that volunteers are requested from all participating municipalities. The administrator will circulate a notice to each municipal office.
- ▶ A copy of an article from Readers Digest on tipping fees was included for the committee's information.
- ▶ Trash Talkin' II - A Waste Management Symposium to be held September 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> in the London area was briefly reviewed, no one interested at this time.
- ▶ Notice of the AMRC Fall Conference to be held on October 22<sup>nd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> at Niagara-on-the-Lake. At this time no one indicated they wished to attend.
  
- ▶ A motion to adjourn was passed at 8:30 p.m..

#### RESOLUTIONS

- ▶ Moved by Glenn Miller, seconded by Ron Russell, That the TRI R Committee accept the minutes of the August 6, 2008 meeting as circulated. Carried.
- ▶ Moved by Paul Fink, seconded by Pat Hayes, That the TRI R Committee approve payment voucher # 09-2008 (landfill) in the amount of \$ 11,318.53 and # 09-2008 (recycling) in the amount of \$ 19,932.53 for payment. Carried.
- ▶ Moved by Glenn Miller, That the TRI R Committee adjourn at 8:30 p.m. until the next regular meeting scheduled for October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008. Carried.

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Bob MacPhail, Chairperson