



**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO  
WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE  
(Committee of the Whole)**

**AGENDA**

Thursday, September 5, 2019

**PAGE NO.**

**ACTION**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**AGENDA** – September 5, 2019

**Approve**

**SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA**

**Receive**

**MINUTES**

**2-5**

**Waste Management Committee Meeting  
Minutes – June 6, 2019**

**Receive**

**VERBAL REPORTS**

1. SWMP (Solid Waste Management Plan) Advisory Committee
2. Non Recycle BC EPR (Extended Producer Responsibility) Programs
  - Verbal Staff Report – Current RDBN Programs and Facilities
  - RDBN Participation in New and Existing programs

**Discussion/  
Direction**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**6-7**

**Recycling Council of BC – August 21, 2019  
– Proclamation Request – Waste Reduction  
Week 2019**

**Direction**

**SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO****WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**(Committee Of The Whole)****Thursday, June 6, 2019**

**PRESENT:** Chair Mark Fisher

Directors Taylor Bachrach  
Shane Brienen  
Dolores Funk  
Tom Greenaway  
Clint Lambert  
Brad Layton  
Linda McGuire  
Rob Newell  
Mark Parker  
Bev Playfair  
Jerry Petersen  
Michael Riis-Christianson  
Gerry Thiessen  
Kim Watt-Senner

Staff Cheryl Anderson, Acting CAO/Manager of Administrative Services  
Janette Derksen, Deputy Director of Environmental Services  
John Illes, Chief Financial Officer  
Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning  
Rory McKenzie, Director of Environmental Services  
Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

Other Chuck Braun, Loop Resources – left at 3:20 p.m.

Media Blair McBride, Lakes District News – left at 3:07 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Fisher called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

**AGENDA**Moved by Director McGuire  
Seconded by Director Layton**WMC.2019-3-1**

"That the Waste Management Committee receive the June 6, 2019 Agenda."

(All/Directors/Majority)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY****MINUTES****Waste Management**  
**Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**-March 7, 2019**Moved by Director Layton  
Seconded by Director Brienen**WMC.2019-3-2**

"That the Minutes of the Waste Management Committee for March 7, 2019 be received."

(All/Directors/Majority)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## DELEGATION

### LOOP RESOURCES – Chuck Braun RE: Food Reclamation Program

Chair Fisher welcomed Chuck Braun, Loop Resources.

Mr. Braun provided an overview of Loop Resources Food Reclamation Program:

- Provide services from Saskatchewan to the west coast of B.C.
- Redirect food store waste directly to small farms
  - Food is provided to small farms and the packaging is recycled/disposed of appropriately
  - Some foods provided to wildlife animal shelters and dog kennels
- Address liability issues related to:
  - In the past stores stopped giving directly to people due to liability issues and the food waste was going directly into dumpsters
  - Farms personal on store sites
  - WCB requirements and regulations
- In almost all locations the service fees equal or are lesser than tipping fees
  - Funded by the stores
  - Funds are used to administer the program, develop apps, complete research, WCB and liability coverage for stores and farms
  - Exception - RDBN does not have tipping fees currently for food waste
  - Data collected by the App used to track foods picked up also assist stores with buying practices to reduce waste
- Organize local farms to pick up food from local stores
  - Schedule and track pickup by farms
  - Volunteer assistance to operate the program
- Tipping fees throughout the province
  - No tipping fees within the RDBN create a negative for the program
- Canadian Food Inspection Agency regulations regarding livestock feed and food safety
- Currently active in 70 stores
  - Save On More
  - Loblaws
    - Pilot project
  - Federated Co-ops
  - Safeway
  - Walmart
- Researching options:
  - utilize/recycle plastics
  - waxed cardboard
    - potential utilization by pellet plants
- Potential ways to provide assistance
  - Transportation of waxed cardboard to processing site
  - Education
- Waste amounts produced daily by small and large stores
  - Stores ensure the waste is kept at food safe levels until it leaves the stores
- Pilot project in Burns Lake working with Food Share Program
  - Charitable programs currently in place are not impacted
- Highway 16 Corridor has Facebook Page to share information and products
  - Active in Burns Lake, Smithers, Terrace
  - Opening in Kitimat and Prince Rupert
  - Recently received approval to open in Fort St. James

Chair Fisher spoke of Loop Resources being a good example of a waste based business idea.

Chair Fisher thanked Mr. Braun for attending the meeting.

## **VERBAL REPORTS**

### **Chair Fisher**

- Support for waste based economic development and processing opportunities, and conversations with other levels of government
  - Chair Fisher attended the 2019 Recycling Council of B.C. (RCBC) Conference on Circular Economy: Moving Beyond Waste May 8-10, 2019 in Whistler, B.C.
    - Spoke of initiatives and opportunities brought forward and potentially being developed in the region in regard to waste based economic development and processing opportunities
      - Vanderhoof – gasification project
      - Lake Babine Nation youth project – woodshed project out of waste wood
      - Agriculture Plastics – fence posts
    - Need a mechanism to support opportunities
    - Nathan Cullen, MP Skeena-Bulkley Valley support through Members Bill
    - Will bring forward at Economic Development discussion and provide a written report at a future meeting

### **Environmental Services Staff – Rory McKenzie, Director of Environmental Services**

- Knockholt Landfill Update
  - Phase 1 and 2 are now completed as of Tuesday, June 4, 2019
    - Capped the void between Phase 1 and 2
    - Covered with clay cap and topsoil
    - Seeding to take place – weather dependent
- Fort St. James Recycling Depot Update
  - Began construction spring of 2019
  - Moved and created a new wood waste area
  - Will be operational and able to receive products June 12, 2019 with full completion of the project to follow
  - Hired new attendant
- Burns Lake Recycling Depot Update
  - Restructuring site and moving wood waste location
  - Current Reuse Shed Attendant to fulfill the Recycling Depot Attendant position
  - Will be operational and able to accept products June 19, 2019 with full completion of the project to follow

### **Smithers Recycling/Fire at the Smithers Area Recycling Society Depot Facility**

- In discussions with Recycle BC, Town of Smithers, Village of Telkwa and Chair Fisher, Director Electoral Area “A” (Smithers Rural)
- Working on a plan
- Recycling products are being redirected to the RDBN Recycle Depot at the Smithers Telkwa Transfer Station
- Recycle BC agreed to assist in providing funding for additional staff at the RDBN Smithers Transfer Station Recycle Depot until the situation is resolved

Director Bachrach acknowledged the work that has been completed by RDBN staff.

### **Verbal Reports**

Moved by Director Funk  
 Seconded by Director Layton

### **WMC.2019-3-3**

“That the Waste Management Committee receive the various verbal reports as presented.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Director Layton  
Seconded by Director McGuire

WMC.2019-3-4

"That the meeting be adjourned at 3:29 p.m."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Mark Fisher, Chair

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Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant



WASTE  
REDUCTION  
WEEK  
IN CANADA

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(Name of Regional District)

**hereby recognizes**

**Waste Reduction Week in Canada  
October 21-27, 2019**

As a Regional District, we are committed to conserving resources, protecting the environment and educating the community.

We recognize the generation of solid waste and the needless waste of water and energy resources as global environmental problems and endeavor to take the lead in our community toward environmental sustainability.

We have declared October 21-27, 2019, Waste Reduction Week in

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Municipality

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Signed

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Date

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Name and Position



Please send this declaration to the Recycling Council of BC  
By fax at 604-683-7255 or by email at [wrw@rcbc.ca](mailto:wrw@rcbc.ca).  
We thank you again for your commitment to waste reduction.

## Geraldine Craven

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**From:** Jessie Christophersen <Jessie@rcbc.ca>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 21, 2019 3:13 PM  
**Subject:** PROCLAMATION REQUEST - Waste Reduction Week 2019  
**Attachments:** 2019 Sample Regional District Proclamation.pdf; 2019 Sample Regional District Proclamation.pub

Good afternoon,

Proclaim Your Support for Waste Reduction Week in Canada!

Each year the Recycling Council of British Columbia (RCBC) organizes BC's involvement in observing this important week. We would like to ask all Regional Districts in British Columbia to officially declare October 21st through 27th, 2019 as Waste Reduction Week in their respective districts.

Waste Reduction Week in Canada is intended to raise awareness about waste and its environmental and social impacts. The theme of Waste Reduction Week, "Too Good to Waste", is meant to draw attention to the richness and diversity of the natural world and the importance of working towards ecological sustainability through waste avoidance and resource conservation.

Please join RCBC in proclaiming October 21st – 27th, 2019 as National Waste Reduction Week in Canada and lending your support!

I have attached a sample Municipal Proclamation in PDF and in Publisher form for your convenience. Of course, you are free to use your own Proclamation format, too.

Completed Proclamations can be emailed, faxed or mailed as per the contact information below. Thanks for your continued support of this important annual event!

Regards,

Jessie

**Jessie Christophersen**

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