



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

AGENDA

Thursday, March 5, 2020

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	<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>	
	<u>AGENDA</u> – March 5, 2020	Approve
	<u>SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA</u>	Receive
	<u>MINUTES</u>	
3-5	Waste Management Committee Meeting Minutes – December 12, 2019	Receive
	<u>VERBAL REPORTS</u>	
	1. Alex Eriksen, Director of Environmental Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome 	
	2. Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementation • Cost Recovery Update • Region Wide Recycling Update • Area A Solid Waste Feasibility Study • Other 	Receive
	3. Solid Waste Forum/Conference Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Attendance 	
	4. Work Camp Waste Update	
	5. Regional Solid Waste Advisory Group (RSWAG) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update 	
	6. Western Challenges <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curbside Update • ICI funding • Expression of Interest to businesses • Consolidation Centre 	
	7. Landfill Closures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long-Term Planning • Reserve Planning 	
	8. PPP Post Collection Cost Study for Recycle BC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update 	

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6-7	Greening Up Fort Society – ICI Recycling	Receive

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO**WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING**
(Committee Of The Whole)**Thursday, December 12, 2019**

PRESENT: Chair Mark Fisher

Directors Gladys Atrill
Shane Brienen
Tom Greenaway
Clint Lambert
Brad Layton – arrived at 2:04 p.m.
Linda McGuire
Andrea Newell
Mark Parker
Bev Playfair
Jerry Petersen
Gerry Thiessen
Kim Watt-Senner

Directors Dolores Funk, Village of Burns Lake
Absent Michael Riis-Christianson, Electoral Area “B” (Burns Lake Rural)

Staff Curtis Helgesen, Chief Administrative Officer
Janette Derksen, Deputy Director of Environmental Services
John Illes, Chief Financial Officer
Rory McKenzie, Director of Environmental Services
Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Fisher called the meeting to order at 1:59 p.m.

AGENDAMoved by Director Lambert
Seconded by Director GreenawayWMC.2019-5-1

“That the Waste Management Committee receive the December 12, 2019 Agenda.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**MINUTES**Waste Management
Committee Meeting Minutes
-September 5, 2019Moved by Director McGuire
Seconded by Director LambertWMC.2019-5-2

“That the Minutes of the Waste Management Committee for September 5, 2019 be approved.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORT

Stewardship Program Agreements to be offered at RDBN Transfer Stations

Moved by Director Atrill
 Seconded by Director Parker

WMC.2019-5-3

“That the Waste Management Committee recommend that the Board direct staff to:

- 1) enter into service agreements, agreeing to the terms and conditions for the following future Extended Producer Responsibility programs at the RDBN’s Vanderhoof, Burns Lake and Smithers/Telkwa Transfer Station recycling depots:
 - a. Lightcycle -Residential Lamp/Lightbulbs
 - b. Call2Recycle – Household Batteries
 - c. Alarmcycle – Household Smoke/CO2 Alarms
- 2) negotiate and enter into a service agreement, agreeing to the terms and conditions with ProductCare Recycling to offer the PaintPlus Program at the Vanderhoof Transfer Station.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VERBAL REPORTS

1. Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Conference Call Update

Chair Fisher provided an overview of two conference call meetings with the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy (MoE). Staff has drafted a timeline from the date of the fire at the Smithers Recycling Depot in Smithers in May, 2019 to date that will be provided to MoE. Chair Fisher spoke to a potential meeting being held next week to discuss the matter further. He spoke of the complexity of finding a solution without addressing the issues with ICI (Industrial, Commercial Institutional) recycling and revenue compensation and assisting MoE to understand the complexities of bailing in northern rural communities. Curtis Helgesen, CAO commented that Recycle BC is currently undergoing contract changes for its collection of products in the Province and there are impacts associated. He spoke of the opportunity for the Province to develop a pilot project utilizing the current situation in the western portion of the RDBN regarding recycling.

Directors Atrill and Layton spoke of the challenges in Smithers and Telkwa associated with the loss of the recycling depot. Residents being provided the option to bring products to the Smithers Telkwa Transfer Station allows for a short-term solution. Discussion took place in regard to Recycle BC’s contract to provide service and the importance of finding a long-term solution. Chair Fisher mentioned potentially investigating alternative options.

Ministry of Environment and Climate Change conference Call Update

Moved by Director Parker
 Seconded by Director Playfair

WMC.2019-5-4

“That the Waste Management Committee receive the Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy Conference Call Update.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VERBAL REPORTS (CONT'D)

2. North Central Local Government Association (NCLGA)- Solid Waste Forum

Chair Fisher mentioned meeting with Smithers District Chamber of Commerce in regard to hosting a mini solid waste forum and NCLGA Board Meeting Highlights identifying hosting a solid waste forum in 2020. He reached out to NCLGA of the potential opportunity to work together.

3. Recycling at Schools

Chair Fisher spoke with Jennifer Boone in regard to her letter to Smithers Council concerning the current lack of recycling facilities in Smithers. She has agreed to be a part of the mini solid waste management forum being hosted by the Smithers District Chamber of Commerce. He spoke of including/inviting youth to the forum.

Discussion took place in regarding the following:

- Developing a solution for schools in regard to the challenges of being included in the Industrial, Commercial, Institutional (ICI) recycling sector
- Providing public education to students in regard to recycling
- ICI legislation and regulation challenges
- Chair Fisher's willingness to attend meetings to discuss recycling in the schools
- Utilizing cardboard for bioenergy plants and developing cardboard pellets.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Director Brien
 Seconded by Director Layton

WMC.2019-5-5

"That the meeting be adjourned at 2:31 p.m."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

 Mark Fisher, Chair

 Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant



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December 16, 2019

Gerry Thiessen, Board Chair
Regional District of Bulkley Nechako

and

Mark Fisher, Chair
Solid Waste Management Committee
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REGIONAL DISTRICT OF
BULKLEY-NECHAKO

Dear Chair Thiessen and Chair Fisher,

As a community within the Regional District of Bulkley Nechako, like so many others ours too is facing challenges with our Industrial, Commercial and Institutional (ICI) Recycling program.

Our volunteer organization, Greening Up Fort Society, set up cardboard recycling almost ten years ago; a lot of time and effort went into creating a program that continues to keep tonnes of recyclable materials out of our landfill. Over the last year regional funding for the ICI program has been cut, and the District of Fort St. James who presently runs the program no longer intends to do so. The only option brought forward to our businesses, in the last month, is that local private company Imperative Recycling could provide the service as a not for profit or loss enterprise OR potentially charge significant fees for local small businesses. Businesses in our community are already experiencing an economic downturn. That is an enormous step backward, in our opinion.

Our expectation has always been that all levels of government would come together and take the leading role in finding and implementing waste management solutions for ICI recycling; creativity and financial sustainability are cornerstones to its success.

We were encouraged to read in the December 12, 2019 Solid Waste Management Committee agenda that you are working with the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy on a pilot project initiative for

delivery of ICI recycling within our region; that sounds promising. Our hope is that such a pilot project would be region-wide, and include our community in its implementation.

We would like to be kept in the loop regarding a pilot project for ICI recycling; both GUF and Imperative welcome sharing our experience and thoughts with you going forward.

Recycling is no longer just one option, it is essential.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brenda Gouglas". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Brenda Gouglas
GUF Chair

CC: The Honourable George Heyman, Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, P.O. Box 9047 Stn
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