

MEMORANDUM

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Subject: Niagara Road 12 Landfill Citizen Liaison Committee Update

Date: August 29, 2023

To: Waste Management Planning Steering Committee

From: Emil Prpic, Associate Director, Waste Disposal Operation & Engineering

The purpose of this memorandum is to update the Waste Management Planning Steering Committee on the status of the Niagara Road 12 Citizen Liaison Committee.

Background

The Niagara Road 12 Citizen Liaison Committee (CLC) was formed in 1994 by the Board of Management that was administered by the Towns of Grimsby, Lincoln, Pelham, and the Township of West Lincoln. The goal of the CLC was to assist the Board of Management in its efforts to evaluate and implement a Solid Waste Disposal Site that was consistent with Provincial policies, at the Niagara Road 12 site located on Concession Road #7 in the Township of West Lincoln. Following the opening of the Niagara Road 12 Site, in October 1995, Niagara Region assumed jurisdiction for the Site on January 1, 1997. The primary focus and purpose of the CLC remains consistent with the original Terms of Reference for the CLC.

The Niagara Road 12 CLC Terms of Reference state that the mandate of the CLC is to advise and assist Niagara Region with the identification and resolution of issues (including those raised by the community) related to the operation, monitoring, and closure of the Niagara Road 12 Landfill Site.

Committee members are to be approved by Niagara Region Council at the start of each new term of Council and end with the term of Council.

Niagara Road 12 Citizen Liaison Committee Composition

The Niagara Road 12 CLC Terms of Reference states the following:

- The CLC shall be composed of up to seven (7) residents of the area immediately surrounding the landfill site, in the Township of West Lincoln and in the Town of

Grimsby, together with four (4) councillors: one (1) each from the Township of West Lincoln, Town of Grimsby, Town of Pelham and the Town of Lincoln.

- Public members shall be residents of one (1) of the four (4) local municipalities and reside in the vicinity of the landfill site or represent a business or institution located in the vicinity of the landfill site.

During the most recent CLC term (2018 – 2022) there was good participation and engagement by committee members up to the beginning of 2022. There was quorum in only one (1) of the two (2) meetings scheduled in 2022. Additionally, part way through 2022, one of the public members had to resign from the CLC due to scheduling issues. It should be noted that meetings took place virtually during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Next Steps for the Niagara Road 12 Citizen Liaison Committee

In the spring of 2023, Niagara Region advertised for CLC membership for the new term of Council. Only one public member (the previous CLC Chair) applied to sit on the Committee. A second membership call is currently out. Staff will notify this Committee of the results from this latest membership call.

Respectfully submitted and signed by

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