

**THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA  
WASTE MANAGEMENT PLANNING STEERING COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

**WMPSC 2-2024  
Tuesday, August 27, 2024  
Committee Room 4  
Niagara Region Headquarters  
1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way, Thorold ON**

Committee: Bradley (Regional Chair)\*, Diodati\*, Foster (Committee Vice-Chair), Rigby, Ugulini (Committee Chair), Witteveen\*; H. Washuta, B. Whitelaw\*

Other Councillors: Craitor\*

Absent/Regrets: Morocco

Staff: C. Habermehl, Director, Waste Management Services, E. Hughes, Coordinator, Waste Diversion\*, H. Levitzky, Advisor, Waste Management Services\*, J. Mazurek, Policy & Planning Program Manager, Waste Management Services\*, L. McGovern, Program Manager, Waste Management Services\*, E. Prpic, Associate Director, Waste Disposal Operations & Engineering, T. Ricketts, Commissioner, Public Works, A. Schmucker, Waste Management Engagement and Education Coordinator, M. Singzon, Manager, Waste Collection and Diversion, J. Spratt, Legislative Coordinator, D. Yousif, Manager, Policy & Planning, A. Winters, Manager, Waste Disposal Operations Program\*

Others Present: Brain Dermody and Katrina McCullough, GHD Limited

\* indicates members who participated electronically, all other members participated in person

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Committee Chair Ugulini called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**2. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

### 3. **PRESENTATIONS**

#### 3.1 **2025 Waste Management Tipping Fees**

Emil Prpic, Associate Director, Waste Disposal Operations and Engineering, provided information respecting 2025 Waste Management Tipping Fees. Topics of the presentation included:

- Purpose
- Current Waste Management Tipping Fees & Revenues
- 2024 Tipping Fee Comparison
- Full Cost Recovery
- Proposed 2025 Tipping Fees
- Proposed Fee Structure and Implementation

#### **Councillor Information Request(s):**

Revisit proposed tip fee rate for contaminated soil deposits in landfills and consider implications of charging at the proposed general waste tip fee rate. Councillor Witteveen.

Revisit the proposed minimum tip fee rate and the implications of increasing this rate further to better reflect costs. Councillor Foster.

#### 3.2 **Overview of Waste Management 2025 Capital Projects**

Emil Prpic, Associate Director, Waste Disposal Operations and Engineering, provided information respecting an Overview of Waste Management 2025 Capital Projects. Topics of the presentation included:

- Proposed 2024 Waste Management Capital Budget
- Mountain Road End Use Works
- Well Decommissioning
- Bridge Street Drop-off Depot Asphalt Work
- Small Capital Projects
- Proposed Waste Management Capital Budget - 2025
- 10 Year Forecast

### 4. **DELEGATIONS**

There were no delegations.

### 5. **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

There were no items for consideration.

**6. CONSENT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

6.1 WMPSC-C 6-2024

Councillor Information Requests

Moved by Councillor Foster

Seconded by Councillor Rigby

That Correspondence Item WMPSC-C 6-2024, being a memorandum from C. Habermehl, Director, Waste Management Services, dated August 27, 2024, respecting Councillor Information Request, **BE RECEIVED** for information.

**Carried**

6.2 WMPSC-C 7-2024

Waste Management Strategic Plan Update

Katherine McCullough, GHD Limited, provided an overview of the Waste Management Strategic Plan Update.

Moved by Councillor Witteveen

Seconded by H. Washuta

That Correspondence Item WMPSC-C 7-2024, being a memorandum from J. Mazurek, Program Manager, Waste Policy Planning, dated August 27, 2024, respecting Waste Management Strategic Plan Update, **BE RECEIVED** for information.

**Carried**

**6. CONSENT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

Moved by Councillor Foster

Seconded by Councillor Rigby

That the following items **BE RECEIVED** for information:

WMPSC-C 8-2024

Walker Environmental Residential Waste and Recycling Drop-off Depot Agreement

WMPSC-C 9-2024

Correspondence respecting Resource Productivity & Recovery Authority (RPRA)  
Issuance of Administrative Penalty to Blue Box Producer

WMPSC-C 10-2024

Correspondence respecting Cancellation of Deposit Return

WMPSC-C 11-2024

Change to Soil Acceptance at Niagara Region's Open Landfills

WMPSC-C 12-2024

Niagara Region Wins Bronze Award for Promotion and Education

**Carried**

**7. OTHER BUSINESS**

7.1 Vehicle Requirements for Waste Haulers

Councillor Foster enquired about the possibility of implementing a process that requires waste haulers using Regional Facilities to keep their vehicles in proper condition. Catherine Habermehl, Director, Waste Management Services, advised that, in accordance with their contracts, they are required to follow Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations and further information can be provided.

**8. NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Monday, October 28, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Committee Room 4.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

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Councillor Ugolini  
Committee Chair

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Jenna Spratt  
Legislative Coordinator

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Ann-Marie Norio  
Regional Clerk