

CENTRAL NL WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
New -Wes-Valley Town Hall
March 18th, 2004 - 7:00 p.m.

Present: Allan Scott, Chairperson
Harry Winter, Committee Member
Cluny Matchim, Committee Member
Derek Bragg, Technical Committee Member
Wayne Manuel, Bae NewPlan
Fourteen (14) Council Representatives from eight (8) communities

Mayor Hoyles of New-Wes-Valley introduced the Committee and thanked them for coming to New-Wes-Valley and providing communities in the area with first hand information on solid waste management for the region.

Allan Scott gave an overview of the Central NL Waste Management Plan and the Curb Side Collection Alternative Study. Allan then gave an update of the Committee's meeting with the Minister of Municipal Affairs, the Minister of Environment and the Chair of the Multi Material Stewardship Board (MMSB).

In this meeting we asked and received confirmation that Government is committed to the waste management strategy and the \$ 42 million dollar capital requirement for Central NL should be available within the 2010-2012 time frame, although no funding has yet been approved. They will introduce an implementation plan in the near future. The Committee will proceed with the work on the premise that all capital costs will be provided by the Provincial or Federal Governments.

Wayne Manual of Bae Newplan proceeded to present the Central NL Waste Management Plan and the Curb Side Collection Alternative Study in a Power Point format. The floor was then open for questions. The questions are summarized as follows:

1. Who will handle the close out cost of existing dumps?

Allan: While the plan outline costs, each community will be responsible for close out in consultation with and hopefully funding by the Province.

2. Who will run the transfer stations?

Cluny: They will be run by the regional authority but can be subbed out to local communities to save cost and provide a source of revenue for smaller communities.

3. How many employees will be required at the transfer stations?

Allan: They will only be open 1-3 days per week depending on the size, so most sites will require 8-24 hours per week, it is anticipated that one part-time job will be available plus equipment rentals and other work from time to time.

4. Can the Committee now approve the concept of the Authority doing Curb Side Collection?

Allan: While most people at this meeting agree and want the Authority to handle Curb Side Collection, that decision will be taken at a later date by the elected authority and not by the appointed Committee.

5. What about objections to the Norris Arm Site?

Allan: This will be dealt with in the Environmental Review and if the site is not suitable, then another site will be considered.

6. Some Representatives inquired about the cost of Collection and Disposal.

There was some discussions about the cost of collection and disposal but most agreed that this cost presented were reasonable for the service provided and that overall communities would not be severely impacted. There are savings from present operations and also from waste reduction programs that could be implemented by individual committees.

Wayne added that if the regional authority were collecting at the curbside, trucks could be purchased with built-in scales to weigh the waste for each community.

Allan then ended the meeting by summarizing the future work of the Committee. The site will be registered for Environmental Review and the Governance Model will be developed. At that point the Provincial Government will be asked to appoint a chair and establish an authority of approximately 15 people including industry representatives but mostly containing elected officials.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully,

Allan Scott, Chairman
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