

Meeting Minutes

Environmental Services Committee

Wednesday, October 21, 2020

1:30 PM

6th Floor Boardroom
625 Fisgard St.
Victoria, BC V8W 1R7

PRESENT:

Directors: D. Blackwell (Chair), N. Taylor (Vice Chair), B. Desjardins, L. Helps, M. Hicks, G. Holman (EP), J. Loveday, J. Ranns, D. Screech, R. Windsor

Staff: L. Hutcheson, General Manager, Parks and Environmental Services; G. Harris, Senior Manager, Environmental Protection; R. Smith, Senior Manager, Environmental Resource Management; M. Lagoa, Acting Deputy Corporate Officer; S. Closson, Committee Clerk (Recorder)

Regrets: Directors C. McNeil-Smith, C. Plant

EP - Electronic Participation

The meeting was called to order at 1:41 pm.

1. Territorial Acknowledgement

J. Loveday provided a Territorial Acknowledgement.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by Director Taylor, **SECONDED** by Director Loveday,
That the agenda be amended to add new business by Director Helps in Section 8.
That the agenda for the October 21, 2020 Environmental Services Committee meeting be approved as amended.
CARRIED

3. Adoption of Minutes

3.1. [20-665](#) Minutes of the September 16, 2020 Environmental Services Committee Meeting

MOVED by Director Taylor, **SECONDED** by Director Screech,
That the minutes of the Environmental Services Committee meeting of September 16, 2020 be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED

4. Chair's Remarks

There were no Chair's remarks.

5. Presentations/Delegations

There were no presentations or delegations.

6. Committee Business

6.1. [20-631](#) 2019-2022 Climate Action & Environmental Stewardship Service Planning

L. Hutcheson introduced the 2019 - 2022 Climate Action & Environmental Stewardship Service Planning.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- building energy retrofit grants
- climate action service delivery establishment date
- climate service maximum funding
- climate emergency progression

**MOVED by Director Helps, SECONDED by Director Windsor,
The Environmental Services Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:**

- 1. That Appendix A, Community Needs Summary - Climate Action & Adaptation, be approved as presented and advanced to the October 28, 2020 provisional budget review process;**
- 2. That staff pursue the completion of an updated Climate Action Strategy;**
- 3. That staff pursue completion of a detailed business case for a Regional Energy Retrofit Program; and**
- 4. That staff report back in 2021 with 2022 budget implications (as proposed in the May 13, 2020 CRD Board staff report).**

CARRIED

6.2. [20-618](#) 2019-2022 Landfill & Recycling Service Planning

L. Hutcheson introduced the 2019-2022 Landfill & Recycling Service Planning.

Discussion ensued on the operational hours of the Hartland Landfill.

**MOVED by Director Helps, SECONDED by Director Loveday,
The Environmental Services Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:**

That Appendix A, Community Need Summary - Landfill & Recycling, be approved as presented and advanced to the October 28, 2020 provisional budget review process.

CARRIED

6.3. [20-630](#) Enerkem Facility Update

R. Smith presented the Enerkem Facility Update.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- Enerkem non-disclosure requirements
- Enerkem gasification residual ratio
- Enerkem current operating capacity as a commercial demonstration facility
- additional Canadian gasification facilities
- previous/past RFP participants
- gasification as a possible long-term solution

**MOVED by Director Windsor, SECONDED by Director Taylor,
The Environmental Services Committee recommends to the Capital Regional
District Board:**

That this report be received for information.

CARRIED

**MOVED by Director Windsor, SECONDED by Director Hicks,
That we enter into a non-disclosure agreement with Enerkem to gather
information.**

**MOVED by Director Windsor, SECONDED by Director Taylor,
The question was called on the arising motion.**

CARRIED

**MOVED by Director Windsor, SECONDED by Director Hicks,
That we enter into a non-disclosure agreement with Enerkem to gather
information.**

CARRIED

6.4. [20-608](#) Provincial Plastics Action Plan Update and Next Steps

Discussion ensued on the following:

- styrofoam inclusion in definition
- styrofoam options for gasification
- single-use items in the federal government program
- return options for deposit items eligible for gasification
- Jason Adams styrofoam recycling

**MOVED by Director Taylor, SECONDED by Director Helps,
The Environmental Services Committee recommends to the Capital Regional
District Board:**

That the Plastics Action Plan and Next Steps report be received for information.

CARRIED

**6.5. [20-650](#) Motion from Solid Waste Advisory Committee (meeting of October 2,
2020)**

Director Taylor spoke to the motion from the Solid Waste Advisory Committee
and an opportunity to do a self assessment of that committee.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- results of the self-assessment
- template for self-assessment
- a commitment by the committee to ensure continuing contributions by its
members

**MOVED by Director Taylor, SECONDED by Director Loveday,
That the Solid Waste Advisory Committee request support and direction from the
Environmental Services Committee for the opportunity for the Solid Waste
Advisory Committee to do a self-assessment survey.**

CARRIED

7. Notice(s) of Motion

There were no Notice(s) of Motion.

8. New Business

Director Helps spoke to the upcoming Resilience Summit being held by Zoom on November 6th and encouraged participation from directors and staff. She requested the report handed out to the directors at the meeting be forwarded to all CRD Board members.

Discussion ensued on the data from the University of Victoria regarding rural emissions.

Director Windsor left the meeting at 2:25 pm.

9. Adjournment

**MOVED by Director Helps, SECONDED by Director Screech,
That the October 21, 2020 Environmental Services Committee meeting be
adjourned at 2:29 pm.
CARRIED**

Chair

Recorder