

Meeting Minutes

Environmental Services Committee

Wednesday, June 15, 2022

1:30 PM

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

PRESENT

Directors: B. Desjardins (Chair), N. Taylor (Vice Chair), L. Helps, M. Hicks (EP), G. Holman (EP), J. Ranns, G. Orr (EP), C. Plant (EP), K. Williams (EP), R. Windsor

Staff: R. Lapham, Chief Administrative Officer; L. Hutcheson, General Manager, Parks and Environmental Services; R. Smith, Senior Manager Environmental Resource Management; N. Elliot, Manager, Climate Action Programs; M. Lagoa, Deputy Corporate Officer; S. Orr, Senior Committee Clerk (Recorder)

EP - Electronic Participation

Regrets: D. Blackwell

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 pm.

1. Territorial Acknowledgement

Vice Chair Taylor provided a Territorial Acknowledgement.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by Director Windsor, **SECONDED** by Director Taylor,
That the agenda for the June 15, 2022 Environmental Services Committee meeting be approved.
CARRIED

3. Adoption of Minutes

3.1. [22-402](#) Minutes of the May 18, 2022 Environmental Services Committee meeting

MOVED by Director Windsor, **SECONDED** by Director Taylor,
That the minutes of the Environmental Services Committee meeting of May 18, 2022 be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED

4. Chair's Remarks

As the chair of the Solid Waste Advisory Committee, this chart which shows the waste tonnage received at the Hartland Landfill from 2020-2022, has been added to every meeting to remind us of what's happening at the landfill. Tonnage continues to increase with 2022 currently trending 188,300 tonnes, which is a 13 percent increase over 2021. Per capita waste generation continues to rise, with 2022 tending toward 430 kilograms per capita. The new Solid Waste Management Plan targets 250 tonnes by the year 2031 and we are trending significantly in the wrong direction. The highly active real estate conditions and associated construction, demolition, renovation and moving waste in the region are believed to be significant contributory factors driving waste generation. Staff are hopeful that increased waste will slow later this year, if rising interest rates are successful in cooling the market. Staff will work toward implementing the new Solid Waste Management Plan initiatives, but ultimately, Hartland landfill has to receive the waste from the community. What we are seeing is the trend going in the wrong direction and the lifespan of Hartland landfill is going to be shorter. We all play a role with waste and I want to continue to include the chart for this committee because it is stark reminder of how clearly we have to affect some changes.

5. Presentations/Delegations

- 5.1. [22-405](#) Delegation - Marg Gardiner; Representing Fair Sailing, an initiative of the James Bay Neighbourhood Association: Re: Agenda Item 6.2.: Disposal of International Cruise Ship Waste at Hartland Landfill - Follow-up

M. Gardiner spoke to Item 6.1.

6. Committee Business

6.1. [22-373](#) Construction, Renovation and Demolition Waste - Thermal Pilot

R. Smith spoke to Item 6.1.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- types of waste
- integration of high risk and bio-solids waste
- emerging waste management technologies
- gasification
- deconstruction
- carbon benefit of newer technologies

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

**That staff proceed with next steps to conduct research, investigate and report out
on emerging waste management technologies, including a short-term pilot of
thermal destruction of construction, renovation and demolition waste at Lafarge.**

CARRIED

Opposed: Helps, Taylor

6.2. [22-386](#) Disposal of International Cruise Ship Waste at Hartland Landfill - Follow-up

R. Smith spoke to Item 6.2.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- cruise ships ports of origin
- liquid waste
- disposal fees in other ports
- high risk waste
- time frame for rate increase

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

**That the Hartland Landfill tipping fee for international high risk cruise ship waste
be increased to \$500 per tonne beginning January 1, 2024.**

**MOVED by Director Helps, SECONDED by Director Windsor,
The main motion be amended to replace "January 1, 2024" with "June 1, 2023".**

DEFEATED

Opposed: Desjardins, Hicks, Orr, Ranns, Williams

The question was called on the main motion:

**That the Environmental Services Committee recommends to the Capital Regional
District Board:**

**That the Hartland Landfill tipping fee for international high risk cruise ship waste
be increased to \$500 per tonne beginning January 1, 2024.**

CARRIED

Opposed: Hicks

- 6.3. [22-387](#) Bylaw No. 4491, "Capital Regional District Climate Action and Adaptation Service Establishment Bylaw, 2008, Amendment Bylaw No. 3, 2022"

N. Elliot spoke to Item 6.3.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- District of Central Saanich rationale for service withdrawal
- regional wide efforts for climate change

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

1. That Bylaw No. 4491, "Capital Regional District Climate Action and Adaptation Service Establishment Bylaw, 2008, Amendment Bylaw No. 3, 2022", be introduced and read a first, second, and third time;
2. That staff be directed to proceed with elector approval by way of Municipal Council and Electoral Area Director consent; and
3. That Bylaw No. 4491 be referred to the Inspector of Municipalities for approval.

CARRIED

Opposed: Helps, Plant, Taylor

- 6.4. [22-398](#) Union of BC Municipalities Community Emergency Preparedness Fund - Extreme Heat Risk Mapping, Assessment and Planning - Capital Region Heat Vulnerability Dashboard Project

N. Elliot spoke to Item 6.4.

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

That the CRD Board support an application to the Union of BC Municipalities Community Emergency Preparedness Fund - Extreme Heat Risk Mapping, Assessment and Planning Grant to support the CRD as the regional lead (primary applicant) for the Capital Region Heat Vulnerability Dashboard Project, and direct staff to provide for overall grant management, including apply for, receive, and manage the grant funding.

CARRIED

7. Notice(s) of Motion

There were no Notice(s) of Motion.

8. New Business

There was no new business.

9. Adjournment

MOVED by Director Helps, **SECONDED** by Director Taylor,
That the June 15, 2022 Environmental Services Committee meeting be adjourned at 2:34 pm.

CARRIED

CHAIR

RECORDER