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Brady Road Resource Management Facility Community Liaison Committee

Meeting #14

Date: Wednesday, May 27, 2020 1:30 – 2:45 PM

Location: Zoom video conference (online)

Attending:

JG – Jason Greenall Citizen – RM of Ritchot MC – Mike Carruthers Ladco Company Ltd.

PC – Peter Crocker Manitoba Environmental Compliance SB – Sonja Bridges Manitoba Conservation and Climate

WD – William Dowie Green Action Centre

DB – Darlene Boettcher Citizen – Winnipeg (Charleswood)

GR – Geoff Reimer City of Winnipeg – Solid Waste (Presenter)

KK – Katie Krahn Blueprint (Minutes)

AT – Alana Trachenko Blueprint (Technical Facilitator)

MK – Michelle Kuly Blueprint (Facilitator) CN – Christine Nairn University of Manitoba

DO – Dave Olinyk Citizen – Winnipeg (Richmond West)

JF - Jacquie Field Citizen - Winnipeg (Fort Richmond)

MN - Myrrhanda Novak Citizen – Winnipeg (South Pointe)

Regrets:

GB – Grant Baker Citizen – RM of Macdonald
JB – Janine Boulanger Councillor – RM of Ritchot
RT – Robert Turski Councillor - RM of Macdonald

JS - Jeff Scott Southwood Golf

Agenda:

*Video conference walk-through held at 1:15-1:30 p.m. to review key functions and provide pre-meeting tech support to participants.

1. 1:30 – 1:45 p.m. Introductions and meeting overview

2. 1:45 – 1:50 p.m. Brady licence and committee purpose recap

3. 1:50 – 2:35 p.m. City presentation and discussion

4. 2:35 – 2:40 p.m. New business

5. 2:40 – 2:45 p.m. Review action items
6. 2:45 p.m. Review and adjourn



Meeting Objectives:

- Receive updates on activities, projects and programs at Brady
 Identify issues or concerns at Brady with impact on local environment and measures to mitigate them

Meeting Notes:

1. Introductions and meeting overview	
MK – Opened the meeting, reviewed agenda and meeting guidelines. Reminded participants that audio/video turned off for the session to improve streaming quality but chat function available to submit comments and questions throughout the meeting.	Info
All – Practiced using Zoom chat function and updated their Zoom login names to be easily identified during chat.	
2. Brady licence and committee purpose recap	
MK – Provided license and committee recap	Info
3. City presentation and discussion	
Impact of COVID-19 on Brady GR – Reviewed impacts and changes due to COVID-19, which included: being identified as an essential service; adjusting staffing/shifts and depot practices to maintain social distance; no medical waste to Brady; increase in tonnages at Brady (up to double) and increased traffic at depots due to home clean-up projects and spending more time at home.	Info
DO – Commented that medical waste is easily controlled from medical facilities but PPE from seniors homes could end up in normal waste at Brady.	
GR – Noted that although many senior homes have private waste collection, but confirmed that it is possible some may potentially end up in Brady as well.	
Landscaping and long-term planning GR – City continuing work with naturalist services, planting trees and shrubs on berms. Approximately 600-1,000 more shrubs to be planted this year provided supply is available. City working to re-establish tree line along north part of Brady and will replace any trees removed as part of service road upgrade.	
Odour, noise and nuisance management GR – Reviewed complaints received since last meeting noting 4/9 determined not to originate from Brady. City environmental tech believes some complaints may have been related to exploratory work related to LFG pipe damage.	
DO – Asked whether the City respond to all odour complainants, after a review, if the odour source was the landfill or not.	
GR – Confirmed that the City responds to any and all odour complaints within a reasonable distance of the landfill or that gets attributed to Brady in the 311 call. Environmental team often investigates same day.	



- GR Falconers back on site for bird management. Annual egging program to prevent geese on site is underway.
- GR Wind-blown litter has been challenging this year. City working to cover the exposed tipping face of Brady with dirt and is ordering additional wind screens to help address the issue. Staffing shortages due to split shift requirements around physical distancing have contributed to the challenge.
- WD Provided <u>link</u> to landfill and recycling wind fences and litter control systems for landfills (circulated following the meeting); asked what Brady is doing now.
- GR Confirmed additional crews are on site to help clean-up. Snow fences are being erected as a temporary solution while supply chains are still struggling due to COVID-19. City working with alternative and local suppliers to find solutions.
- WD Noted province at a Chamber webinar conference call yesterday hinted that COVID stimulus infrastructure dollars were going to be pointed to municipal wastewater and that perhaps 'waste' projects in general could be lobbied to find money for litter and odour and GHG capture.
- GR Appreciated the comment and noted a City staff member assigned to continually investigate and access funding for landfill projects.

Site improvements, seasonal & project activity

- JG My residence in the RM of Ritchot is on Waverley, south of the Perimeter, so I would be interested in an update on plans to upgrade the south service road, as mentioned in the deck.
- JG I have attended public meetings on the South Perimeter safety upgrades, so I understand that this service road is playing an important role in safe entry and exit to and from the facility. I'd like to hear more about what is planned for this year and beyond.
- MC Inquired about why the Kenaston intersection is not being used for the upgrade.
- GR Service road along perimeter will be upgraded this summer. Surveyors have been on site and it appears that construction should commence this year. Trees on east end will be lost, but City has agreed as part of negotiations that they will be replaced with a fence. In addition to presentation slides, shared photos of draft plan for the service road.
- GR There is a short term solution and long term solution. The short term solution is to upgrade the service road and take it to the existing intersection at Waverley. The longer term solution is to eventually connect/use the potential St. Norbert/Kenaston bypass. The need to improve the road due to traffic accidents is immediate. It will be designed to eventually tie-in but needs to be done before the Kenaston/St. Norbert extension is completed.
- PC Noted there are conceptual drawings on the St. Norbert Bypass on Manitoba Infrastructures website. They aren't finalized, but public consultation has been ongoing since summer 2018. It covers the whole south perimeter design study.
- MK Confirmed link to the MB Infrastructure drawings will be circulated with the minutes.



- JG Inquired whether service road going to be the main exit for trucks intending to go westbound on the Perimeter and if so, will there be traffic backups.
- GR Confirmed there will be no left bound turns allowed coming off of Brady Road and no left turns allowed in once road is complete.
- GR Confirmed seasonal curbside waste pickup started May 4, 2020. This is an unprecedented year for yard waste. GR shared photos of current compost pad.
- GR Annual compost giveaway postponed for this year due to volume of people that attend event and requirements for physical distancing. Three sites have been set up (Kilcona Dog Park, Summit Road closed landfill site and will be open 9-5 over a one week period to reduce number of people at any one location. Up to 100L per vehicle can be collected. Articles have appeared in the Winnipeg Free Press and Winnipeg Sun and City representative will appear on CTV news on Thursday morning to promote the events.
- CN Confirmed dates for giveaway (June 1-7, 2020) and provided <u>link</u> to more information for the group.
- JG Asked what does 100L look like?
- GR 100 L is equivalent to approximately 3-4 sandbags. All compost is independently tested and considered Grade A.
- JF How long does it take from yard waste pick up to selling bags of compost? GR Approximately 90 days from pick-up.
- WD Councillor Mayes was heading a City Food Council. Did you work with this group with respect to your food related initiatives?
- GR Yes, we were looped in to help with the program via the compost program. There is also a mechanism for community gardens to access compost by contacting Public Works directly.
- WD Inquired whether water source for compost system was Seine River or a well?
- GR Fed by rainwater, drainage coming in from existing RM of MacDonald. All of the water is sampled regularly to ensure license compliance.

Reducing impact on the environment

- GR LFG system to be improved by Fall 2020. Installing dual-purpose wells to remove leachate and help increase the efficiency of the system overall. Once done, odours should be improved. Odours to be expected for a day or two during construction.
- DB Requested City provide updates on when odours are expected.
- GR Agreed that would be possible and will confirm with internal communications team about possible ways to share information



MK – Encouraged committee members to submit suggestions via Zoom chat.	
JG – Suggested City Twitter account might be effective method.	
MC – Volunteered to share information via Ladco social media.	
DO – Noted Janice Lukes is very active on Twitter and has a broad reach.	
Research partnerships & resource development GR – RFP issued to Tetra Tech for landfill gas (LFG) to energy study that will consider best use of LFG to natural gas or electricity. City considering three options. No recommendations yet but work on this project is underway and continuing throughout the pandemic.	
DB – Noted she is delighted that this is finally being investigated.	
5. New business	
GR – Organics RFP awarded and in development phase. Plan to launch in Fall 2020. Will study route selection, container types, etc. and include 4,000 homes.	Info
JF – What neighbourhoods were chosen for the trial composting? GR – Neighborhood selection in process. Selection criteria is extensive. City doesn't have the finalized list yet. Expects lots of media attention as decisions are made.	
GR – City working on a recycling video. GR to locate and provide link to Michelle to share with the committee.	
GR – Recent recycling message focused on COVID-19. Market for recycling materials remains strong in the pandemic. Increased contamination has not been an issue.	
DB – Notes recycling can be stressful. It is easier to throw it into the garbage. Often feels anxiety when trying to decide what to do with some recycling. For example: plastic food containers vs. plastic caps and liners, plastic covered wire, and leftover shelving. Also has questions about contamination (e.g. can grease on a pizza box ruin a whole shipment).	
GR – Will connect DB with City representative to answer all of her questions about recycling.	
4. Review action items	
 Completed action items from last meeting: Next meeting to be scheduled in May or June of 2020. CLC facilitator directed to pen a letter on behalf of committee to the Mayor's Office recognizing the efforts to Brady's Landfill staff during the state of emergency. 	Info
New/carry-forward action items:	
GR to locate and provide video link to Michelle to share with the committee GR to consider committee suggestions and confirm how when adout information due	
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MK to send link to St. Norbert bypass conceptual drawings on MB Infrastructure	
recycling	5



website with minutes	MK
6. Review and adjourn	
Next meeting expected to be scheduled Fall 2020.	Info
MK – Requested any feedback or suggestions on meeting format to be provided by email MK – Adjourned meeting.	