

COMOX STRATHCONA WASTE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes from the meeting held on April 1, 2021, by Zoom 2, commencing at 1:00 pm

Present:

- K. Shaw, Director of Public Works Services
 S. Ashfield, Municipal Engineer
 D. Hadfield, Director of Operations
 R. Crisfield, Manager of Operations
 G. Morphy, Director of Operations
 R. Dyson, Chief Administrative Officer
 V. Schau, Senior Manager CSWM Services
 C. Wile, Manager of External Relations
 S. Valdal, Services Coordinator
 J. Wallis, Branch Assistant Engineering Services
- City of Courtenay Town of Comox City of Campbell River Town of Cumberland Village of Gold River Comox Valley Regional District Comox Valley Regional District Comox Valley Regional District Comox Valley Regional District Comox Valley Regional District

Items Discussed

Minutes

The Comox Strathcona Waste Management (CSWM) Advisory Committee (Committee) reviewed the minutes of the February 25, 2021 Committee meeting. No errors or omissions were noted.

Draft Staff Reports

Phase 2 engagement, targeted amendment submission to the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy and next steps (verbal update)

V. Schau provided an overview of the Phase 2 engagement targeted amendment for the organics project submission to the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy. Outstanding items include the municipal endorsement letters and a public engagement overview.

Advisory comments

No municipalities have heard back regarding the expected funds.

Ocean Legacy Foundation - Ocean Plastics Depot Establishment Request

S. Valdal provided an overview of the Ocean Legacy Foundation – Ocean Plastics Depot Establishment Request draft staff report, requesting the CSWM Board's support for the establishment of an Ocean Legacy Foundation ocean plastics recycling depot at the Comox Valley Waste Management Center (CVWMC), for ensuring that collected ocean debris is properly managed and recycled.

Advisory comments

S. Valdal clarified that some products such as colored styrofoam, will not be accepted by the program, as the intention of the project is to accept products generated from the aquatic industry only.

Confidential Items

The committee adjourned to an in-camera session to discuss confidential items.

Municipal Service/Project Updates

- The group expressed interest in the collaboration of the ReCollect application for consistency of information and overall cost savings. The City of Courtenay is willing to share their existing data base.
- V. Schau confirmed that due to the increase focus on greenhouse gas emissions the Province of British Columbia has been continually financially supporting organic waste infrastructure to increase organics diversion. There may be additional opportunities to apply for funding in the future.

The meeting terminated at 2:00 pm.

Certified correct

V. Schau

V. Schau Senior Manager CSWM Services