

## **Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes**

November 25, 2020

Front of Yonge Township Hall

In Attendance: Council: Margaret Fancy, Carson Massey

Residents: Sean Burns, Tracy Stewart, Marianne Hendry, Charlie Hendry

Resources: Wayne Trickey, Marvin Winter

1. Motion to accept the agenda as amended Sean moved, Marianne seconded
2. Motion to accept minutes from Oct. 28, 2020 Tracy moved, Margaret seconded

### **3. Business Arising**

a) Regarding small business fees, Marvin consulted with two other municipalities, however, they have no fees for small businesses using their WDS for their recyclables.

Jennifer and Marvin will look into a fee for small businesses for use of the site for dumping their cardboard and plastics and return with a recommendation.

b) It's to be noted that the township is looking at business recycling in general, not specifically campgrounds, with regards to the fees. This is in reference to September 30, 2020 minutes.

c) The final inspection at the WDS was done with the engineers and all is in order. The trailers arrived with no hydraulics. The trailers are at Weagants where the hydraulics will be installed. All other aspects of the project are on track. The church bin will tentatively be in front of the building for the backhoe and Marvin will confirm with the United Church that this is acceptable. There was a recommendation that Council consider making masks mandatory.

d) We will put together information for the newsletter with the help of Margaret and Charlie. It's to inform the public on how the WDS site best operates and what are best recycling practices.

e) In order to determine if there are improper dumping issues with the public being unattended while taking loads up onto the hill, there was a recommendation that the WDS staff will take a picture of the ratepayer's card and their trailer load when they

arrive. This process would begin immediately. The hill will be monitored to see if issues arise.

#### **4. New Business**

a) Radon Testing – The federal government has a program called Take Action on Radon that we could potentially apply to be part of. This would allow us to have 100 radon test kits that would be given to ratepayers on a first come first serve basis. The purpose is for homeowners to be able to detect radon in their homes. Marianne will be the liaison for the radon program for the 2021 year.

b) Provincial Day of Action – The EAC received an email from the MECP thanking us for our participation in this day of action. The 2021 Day of Action on Litter is on May 11, 2021. We will forego this day and continue with Earth Day as our contribution to cleaning up our community.

Meeting adjourned