# ADOPTED MINUTES OF THE FOOTHILLS REGIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION TECHNICAL ADVISORY GROUP

# Thursday, February 6, 2020 Town of Okotoks Operations Centre

MEMBERS PRESENT	Paul Lyons, Waste Services Manager, Town of Okotoks, Chair Joe Angevine, Landfill Manager, Foothills Regional Services Commission Barry Sturrock, Operations Manager, Town of Nanton Craig Beaton, Municipal Operations and Facilities Manager, Town of Turner Valley
MEMBERS ABSENT	Tom Dougall, Public Works Manager, Town of Black Diamond Peter Leek, Roads and Solid Waste Supervisor, Town of High River Harry Riva Cambrin, CAO, Foothills County
STAFF PRESENT	Marisa Harris, Waste Service Assistant, Town of Okotoks Janice Storch, Legislative Service Administrator, Town of Okotoks

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair P. Lyons called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

# 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

2.1 Additions/Deletions

The following items were added to the agenda:

- 2.2 Election of Chair and Vice Chair
- 4.6 Terms of Reference

MOTION: By P. Lyons that the agenda for the February 6, 2020 Foothills Regional Services Commission Technical Advisory Group meeting be adopted as amended.

**Carried Unanimously** 

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#### 2.2 Election of Chair and Vice Chair

J. Angevine nominated P. Lyons for the position of Chair of the Foothills Regional Services Commission Technical Advisor Group (TAG) for the period ending December 31, 2020.

There were no other nominations.

Motion: By B. Sturrock that nominations for Chair cease.

Carried Unanimously

- P. Lyons was elected as Chair
- P. Lyons nominated C. Beaton for the position of Vice Chair of the Foothills Regional Services Commission Technical Advisor Group for the period ending December 31, 2020.

There were no other nominations.

Motion: By P. Lyons that nominations for Vice Chair cease.

Carried Unanimously

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: By J. Angevine that the minutes of the Foothills Regional Services Commission Technical Advisory Group Meeting held November 7, 2019 be adopted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

#### 4. BUSINESS

4.1 Regional Solid Waste Management Plan

The Advisory group was reminded that as this initiative was Council endorsed and a report should be taken to Council for them to accept the final report. The Advisory Group discussed the challenges and provided feedback on the work done by GHD on the RSWMP.

- 4.2 Updates
- P. Lyons attended a meeting with the regional CAO's to discuss the recommendations from the RSWMP meeting January 9, 2020.
- P. Lyons interviewed with the local newspaper on single use plastic bans. The Group discussed plastics collection in the Town of Okotoks. It was noted to

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efforts to restrict the contents in the blue cart by removing plastic film and glass would improved the quality of the material collected for processing. These recyclables products can be managed better at the Eco Centre versus in the blue recycling cart.

C. Beaton discussed the new company out of Turner Valley and Black Diamond that they will be doing plastic shredding. It was noted that Turner Valley Council defeated the motion to ban plastic bags.

T Dougall informed the group that the Oilfield recycling depot will be changing hours and stopping the collection of plastic. They plan to implement the changes April 1, 2020. There is no confirmation on the hours yet, but it will most likely be 3 days per week. Plastics will be completely eliminated until they find a better solution.

- B. Sturrock Informed the group that Nanton is proceeding to close down its Recycling Centre.
- J. Angevine informed the Group that he will be attending The Waste to Energy Symposium that is to be held in St. Albert, Alberta on March 12, 2020. He will report back to TAG any relevant information that comes out of this event.

## 4.3 GHD Change Order

The two change orders requested were:

- the presentation
- correction of incorrect data

# 4.4 Landfill Appendix H

It was noted that at the time of this meeting Appendix H is still missing from the RSWMP.

Appendix H was reviewed and returned to GHD for consideration. To date the data has not been processed. J. Angevine informed the TAG that a drone scan was completed comparing 2018 to 2019. GHD has all the data to complete Appendix H

## 4.5 Cielow Energy Plant

Members discussed the media attention given to this business and the difficulty in finding any credible information on the company. The company claims in the media report are not in alignment with documented facts.

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#### **ACTION**

The TAG will contact Cielow Energy Plant and set up a meeting and tour of the plant.

#### 4.6 Terms of Reference

Members discussed item 7.1 in the TAG Terms of Reference. The Group felt it was an unnecessary step to have the CAOs confirm each year their TAG members. A request will be put before the Foothills Regional Service Commission to have section 7.1 of the TAG Terms of References amended to state that a CAO must inform the TAG of any changes to their municipality's appointments to the TAG.

#### 5. **NEXT MEETING**

The next meetings date is to be determined and will be sent out with the meeting minutes.

#### 6. ADJOURNMENT

J. Angevine adjourned the February 6, 2020 Foothills Regional Services Commission Technical Advisory Group Meeting at 11:08 a.m.