

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

**Thursday, September 7, 2023
Town of Okotoks Operations Centre**

MEMBERS PRESENT	Paul Lyons, Waste Services Manager, Town of Okotoks, Chair Bill Woytiuk, Operations Manager, Town of Nanton Joe Angevine, Landfill Manager, Foothills County Peter Leek, Roads & Solid Waste Supervisor, Town of High River Craig Beaton, Manager of Operations, Town of Diamond Valley
MEMBERS ABSENT	Harry Riva Cambrin, CAO, Foothills Regional Services Commission
STAFF PRESENT	Charlene Parker, Operations & Utilities Administrator, Town of Okotoks

1. CALL TO ORDER

P. Lyons called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

2.1 Additions / Deletions

4.2 Public education of the 3-stream deleted

2.2 Adoption

MOTION: By C. Beaton that the agenda for the September 7, 2023 Foothills Regional Services Commission Technical Advisory Group meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION: By J. Angevine that the minutes of the Foothills Regional Services Commission Technical Advisory Group meeting held March 2, 2022 be adopted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

4. BUSINESS

4.1 Matters Arising from the Previous Minutes

J. Angevine, is exploring leachate management options with an external company as a result from the March 2nd presentations.

P. Lyons discussed the dehydrator. Things are working well with the dehydrated product being used as fuel and/or in agriculture.

4.2 Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)

Alberta will have 2 EPR programs:

- Single-use Products, Packaging and Printed paper products (PPP)
- Hazardous and Special Products (HSP)

Towns will need to register for this program in the fall of 2023.

Producer Responsible Organizer (PRO) – Each Town will be required to negotiate with the PRO's. Impacts to current collections contracts are unknown at this time.

Towns were advised to become familiar with the Regulations – Messaging to residents will need to be precise and not complicated.

C. Beaton commented on the need to have a simple, non-complicated program to encourage participation.

4.3 Updates

4.3.1 Foothills Regional Landfill & Resource Recovery Centre

- New Landfill cell construction is progressing. Capping on East Slope's Bio Cover, done and surveyed, will be hydro seeded in two weeks.
- New Shop budget item into the board, next year.

4.3.2 Diamond Valley

- Currently working on budget for 2024.

4.3.3 High River

- New Manager has been hired and will be invited to the next TAG meeting.

4.3.4 Okotoks

- Staff visited an open house held in Aldersyde by FOGDOG Energy. The company had previously contacted the Landfill.
- P. Lyons advised that next week (September 15, 2023) Okotoks will offer their compost give way to residents.

4.3.5 Nanton

- B. Woytiuk reported their bio solid optimization has taken a turn for the better. The rental of a 6-channel filter pump will end in October. He will work with J. Angevine on their bio solids management program or other local alternatives. P. Lyons agreed to have a sample from the Town of Nanton be brought in to test in the dehydrator.
- Nanton has an abundance of wood chips and are looking for ways to decrease their supply.

5. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, December 7, 2023.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Lyons adjourned the September 7, 2023 Foothills Regional Services Commission Technical Advisory Group Meeting at 11:35 p.m.