



North Coast Regional District
Public and Technical Advisory Committee Minutes
Wednesday, September 7, 2022 2:00 PM
Held via Zoom teleconference

- Chair: Patrika McEvoy, Old Massett Village Council
- Members: Leonard Cook, Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy
Emily Peer-Groves, Dirt Nerd Soil Company
Christina Jewell, Dirt Nerd Soil Company
Des Nobels, Electoral Area A
Danielle Myles-Wilson, District of Port Edward
Ayla Pearson, Councillor, Village of Daajing Giids
Kazamir Falconbridge, Village of Port Clements
Stephen Grosse, Council of the Haida Nation
- Regrets: Hans Seidemann, City of Prince Rupert
Tanya Ostrom, City of Prince Rupert
Tracy Hageman, Skidegate Band Council
Evan Putterill, Electoral Area E
Edward Landrath, Regional Recycling Advisory Committee
Prashanth Subburam, Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy
Bret Johnston, Village of Masset
Rina Gemeinhardt, Kitsumkalum Indian Band
Mike Richardson, Big Red Enterprises
Megan Haley, Sperling Hansen Associates
Erin Mutrie, Metlakatla First Nation
- Staff: Daniel Fish, Chief Administrative Officer
Tim Des Champ, Mainland Solid Waste Manager
Howard Tsang, Corporate Officer
- Consultants: Nicole Kohnert, Sperling Hansen Associates
Rahim Gaidhar, Sperling Hansen Associates

1. CALL TO ORDER

- 1.1 *The Public and Technical Advisory Committee acknowledges the traditional territory of the Haida and Tsimshian on which this meeting takes place.*
- 1.2 Call to Order at 2:07 p.m.

2. CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA (ADDITIONS/DELETIONS)

2.1 Adoption of Agenda

That the Committee resolves to adopt the August 31, 2022 Public and Technical Advisory Committee meeting agenda as presented.

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CARRIED

3. BOARD MINUTES & BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

3.1 Public and Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of August 3, 2022

That the Committee resolves to adopt the August 3, 2022 Public and Technical Advisory Committee meeting minutes as presented.

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4. DELEGATIONS

None.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

6. REPORTS / RESOLUTIONS

6.1 N. Kohnert, Sperling Hansen Associates - Draft Solid Waste Management Plan

N. Kohnert presented the Draft Solid Waste Management Plan. She answered questions from members regarding the following topics:

Christina Jewell asked whether there will be other infrastructure for processing food waste.

- Response – As the food waste reduction strategy is created, capacity will be researched and developed.

Christina Jewell asked which actors will have capacity to provide food waste reduction services?

- Response – It depends on where the program begins. If it's in Prince Rupert, then that will enhance mainland capacity. If it's in Haida Gwaii then that will enhance Haida Gwaii capacity. Once a strategy is developed, we will know how much can be diverted.

Christina Jewell asked whether a municipality or regional district will build this facility?

- Response – This has to be fleshed out. It can be either or even a private facility.

Christina Jewell mentioned that \$1,500 for a food reduction strategy seems too low of a figure.

- Response – The \$1,500 is primarily for public education. Further strategic development will be required so a budget amount will be added to the Draft SWMP to conduct an Organics Management Strategy for the region.

Ayla Pearson asked whether Daajing Giids has glass recycling and noted there is a lack of recycling in general in Daajing Giids.

- Response – Glass recycling is being considered under the Recycle BC agreement for Haida Gwaii.

Ayla Pearson noted that more clarification is required around Styrofoam disposal.

- Response – Styrofoam is only prohibited from disposal if an alternative diversion option is available. Otherwise, it will have to be disposed.

Emily Peer-Groves asked whether waste audits in commercial businesses or schools will be helpful?

- Response – Waste audits are included in the draft SWMP but can be better clarified. The coordinator's role would be to conduct waste audits.

Ayla Pearson asked whether events on Haida Gwaii will target both ends of the island?

- Response – Yes, although travel considerations will be taken into account.

7. NEW BUSINESS

None.

8. OLD BUSINESS

None.

9. PUBLIC INPUT

None.

10. ADJOURNMENT

10.1 Adjournment

That the Public and Technical Advisory Committee adjourns the meeting held August 31, 2022, the time being 3:20 p.m.

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CARRIED**

Approved and adopted:

Certified correct:

Chair

Corporate Officer