City of Hamilton

MINUTES: Waste Reduction Task Force
Wednesday, July 16, 2008, 7:00 p.m.
Hamilton Convention Centre, Room 202

Present: Mary Lou Dickson  David Hart Dyke  Tom Thompson
Jim Sweetman  Peter Hutton  Anton Volcansek
Mark McQueen  Dan Rodrigues  Angela Pastorius
Rose Killey  Paul Barrett

Regrets: Allan Freeman  Grant Ranalli  Betty Hay Lambeck

Also Present: Pat Parker, Manager of Solid Waste Planning, Waste Management Division
Adrienne Press, Policy Analyst, Waste Management Division
Laurie Nielsen, Public
Trisha Branigan, Public
Donna Robinson, Public

1. Approval of the Agenda
The agenda was approved as written.
(Moved by David Hart Dyke, seconded by Tom Thompson)

2. Approval of the Minutes from the May 21, 2008 Meeting
The Task Force received a copy of the minutes from the June 18, 2008 meeting. The minutes were approved as written.
(Moved by, Angela Pastorius, seconded by Dan Rodrigues)

3. Administrative Items
A reminder was given to the Task Force that a meeting will not be held in the month of August. The next WRTF meeting will take place on September 17, 2008.

4. Projects
a) Sub-Committee Updates
Business and Government Liaison Sub-Committee
This sub-committee has no updates to report.

Education & Communication Sub-Committee
Letters of recognition have been sent to one individual, Chris Dunn, as well as Chadwick and Hacks and Fortino’s on Upper James.

Multi-Residential, Commercial and Institutional Waste Sub-Committee
Pat distributed a progress report of the multi-residential green cart roll-out (as of June 17, 2008). There have been a total of 4,064 units and 446 buildings implemented to date.

b) Glanbrook Landfill Coordinating Committee
The GLCC has not met since the last WRTF meeting.

c) SWMMP Steering Committee
The SWMMP Steering Committee has not met since the last WRTF meeting.
5. Operations
The Operation and Maintenance of the Landfill & Transfer & Disposal System RFP closed on July 11. There were five (5) acceptable proposals received as well as internal costing for Project B (landfill operations).

6. Solid Waste Management Master Plan
a) Status of SWMMP
Jim Sweetman discussed the status of the SWMMP in preparation of the Joint Steering Committee meeting in September. The Task Force had already been through the first nine (9) recommendations. The WRTF discussed and made comments on the status of Recommendations 10 to 19.
Jim Sweetman and Tom Thompson will integrate comments into the presentation and circulate to the Task Force for their comments.

b) Balanced Scorecard
This item has been deferred.

7. Other Business
A WRTF member pointed out that although a Tide box has been featured in Blue Box ads, Tide also comes in a jug with a spout, made of a different type of plastic, which is almost impossible to remove. She questioned why the City would promote Tide when not all the packaging is easily recyclable.
A member inquired whether all the items collected at the CRCs are recycled and staff answered yes. Garbage is also collected at CRCs and it is not recycled.

8. Public Discussion
A public member inquired whether or not smoke alarms are accepted at CRCs and staff indicated that they are collected by Hotz as part of MHSW.

9. Adjournment
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.
The next meeting is scheduled for September 17, 2008 at 7 p.m., Hamilton Convention Centre, Room 202.
Moved by Dave Hart Dyke and seconded by Angela Pastorius that the meeting be adjourned.

Copies to: All present
Regrets
Waste Reduction Task Force Binder Distribution List
Scott Stewart, General Manager, Public Works Department
Glanbrook Landfill Coordinating Committee c/o Craig Murdoch, Waste Management Division
City Clerks Division, c/o Carolyn Biggs, Lisa Barroso