May 17, 2006

To All Municipalities

Dear Sir/Madam:

BACKGROUND

The Richmond or Napanee Landfill, also known as the Napanee Dump, was first used in 1954 as a local landfill. This landfill is currently owned by the Canadian subsidiary of U.S.-based Waste Management Inc. At present, the landfill is licenced to receive 125,000 tonnes of garbage per year at its 40 acre site. Waste Management plans to greatly expand the size of the site to 276 acres so that it can receive 750,000 tonnes of garbage and 250,000 tonnes of contaminated soil, each year for the next twenty-five years. Greater Napanee Council is not a willing host to this proposal.

The position of my Council is that no municipality should be required to take garbage from across the Province if they are not a “willing host” to such a proposal.

Council, at a May 15, 2006 meeting, requested all municipalities in the Province to support our position by passing a similar resolution and forwarding it to the Honourable Minister Broten, Minister of Environment.

Thank you for your attention.

Respectfully,

Gordon Schermerhorn, Mayor
Town of Greater Napanee