Bruce Area Solid Waste Recycling

Board of Management, Regular

Present: Mike Myatt, Mark Ireland, Chris Peabody, Larry Allison, Paul Deacon, Vince Cascone, Karrie Drury

Absent: Jennifer Prenger, Ryan Nickason

Item 1: No Pecuniary Interests were declared.

Item 2: Moved by Mike Myatt Seconded by Chris Peabody That we approve the minutes of the regular and special meetings held January 15, 2025. Carried

Item 3: Monthly Reports

Mike Myatt inquired about petty cash and self insureing vision benefits in the Payables listing. Vince noted that with only 3 non union employees, it was too expensive to have vision coverage. Karrie noted that the petty cash is used for our cleaner, we have had a very difficult time finding and keeping cleaners, cash is how they want to be paid.

Moved by Paul Deacon Seconded by Larry Allison That we have reviewed cheque numbers 18492-18540 totalling \$281,712.05.

Carried.

January 2025

January monthly income totalled \$38,591.87. Vince noted there were 3 pay periods in the month to the monthly financials

Item 4: Other Business

Vince reported that the proposed tarriffs that could be implemented on exports to the USA may have quite an impact on our commodity revenue; if impossed the effect would be the below figures:

Vince began discussions regarding Non-Eligible Sources which would be in effect Jan 1, 2026. Non-Eligible sources (NES) are businesses. Circular Materials Ontario (CMO) does not include business recycling collection in their mandate when they take over the residential recycling collection Jan 1, 2026. Recycling from businesses has to be kept completely separate from residential recycling. BASWR will be set up with 2 sort streams; **containers** which include glass, plastic, steel and aluminum and **fibers** which includes cardboard, boxboard, newsprint and magazines. There is no room in our small facility to have a separate section for non-eligible recycling.

Vince is proposing that BASWR:

- dedicate one truck to collecting NES curbside and taking it to two designated sites
- truck would dump into a 40 yard container and transported by Waste Management to their facility
- need to calculate cost of the program, set limits on the size of business that could participate
- businesses that generate too much recyclable will have to be contracted out
- we know that Waste Management will charge BASWR at least \$200/MT for NES recycling

BASWR had an original proposal for Non Eligible sources, where the businesses would have to take their recycing to their landfills and BASWR would service the bins at the landfills. This idea would have been difficult to control for several reasons:

- BASWR doesn't have the room to pick up NES recycling and dump at the MRF
- there would need to be someone who would monitor who has access to the bins for the businesses
- no recycling from residents could be placed in those bins
- we do not know the volumes that would be generated
- inconvenient to the businesses

Vince noted the perfect scenario would be that the County take over the non eligible sources

Paul Deacon inquired about the cost to do this service for the businesses. Vince replied that the municipalities would determine if they charge the businesses.

Mike Myatt inquired about the many areas where BASWR currently have cardboard bins for the public. Vince noted that effective Dec 31, 2025 these bins would be removed as the residents will be able to put cardboard out with their regular household blue box. Any business that generated large volumes of cardboard will have to get their own bins.

Mark Ireland noted his concern for businesses becoming frustrated with the prospect of having to pay for recycling service and the material will end up in the landfill.

Chris was asked about the County's involvement with the non eligible recycling; he noted that he would take the concerns to County Council

Mike Myatt made a formal request to Vince and Karrie to attend council meetings once they have solid information to discuss

Moved by Paul Deacon Seconded by Larry Allison That we adjourn to meet again on Wednesday March 26, 2025 via Zoom

Carried.

Chairperson

Secretary/Treasuer