

**In Attendance:**

**Voting Members**

Arlene Ridge	Area C
Bob Cutts	Area B
Diane Tammen	City of Cbk
Joe Tress	Dist of Sparwood
Hal Anderson	Ind. Advisor – SE Dis.
Darcy Edison	Ind. Advisor – Waste Mngmt
Gaetane Carignan	Community Energy Assoc., Vice-Chair
Karen Bergman	Baynes Lake, Area B
Nadine Rake	City of Cbk/Community Grp
Cailey Chase	City of Kimberley
Vassa Stein	Dist of Invermere
Nikolaas Morissette	City of Kimberley

**Non-Voting Members**

Zabrina Pendon	City of Fernie
Mark Read	Village of Radium
Duane Allen	Dist of Elkford

**Directors**

Mike Sosnowski	Director, Electoral Area A
Gerry Wilkie	Director, Electoral Area G
Stan Doehle	Director, Electoral Area B
Ange Qualizza	Alternate Director, City of Fernie, Chair

**STAFF**

Shawn Tomlin	Chief Administrative Officer
Kevin Paterson	Environmental Services Manager
Jim Penson	Solid Waste Superintendent
Loree Duczek	Communications Manager
Lynne Newhouse	Environmental Services Secretary

**Regrets:**

Jim Kennelly	City of Cbk
Bill Swan	Area F
Kate Bennett	Area G
Heather Rennebohm	Akisk'nuq First Nation

**Welcome and Introductions**

The Chair brought the meeting to order at 11:00 am. Kevin introduced the consultants leading the project Mairi Dalglish and Mircea Cvaci, Civil Engineer and Vice-President of Sperling Hansen.

**Review of Terms of Reference**

All committee members were provided with updated Terms of Reference.  
Recommendation:

The RDEK Board be requested to amend the Terms of Reference for the Solid Waste Management Plan Review Committee to include the following additional sections: 5.2 (e), 8.1 (a) to (f) and 8.2 (a) to (d).

Director Sosnowski Moved    Director Doehle Seconded

## **Minutes from January 23, 2019 Meeting**

The minutes from the January 23, 2019 meeting were discussed.

Recommendation:

That the minutes of the Regional District of East Kootenay Solid Waste Management Plan Advisory Committee meeting dated January 23, 2019 be adopted as circulated

Duane Allen Moved

Joe Tress Seconded

## **Results of the Community Survey (RDEK)**

- Received over 3,200 responses, 45.3% rural and 54.7% urban
- Support for compositing
- More access to recycling opportunities
- Support to pay more to have more but being aware of those costs
- Need for continued education
- Illegal dumping was another key theme
- Protecting the Environment was also important. There is not any specific information about what is meant by this

## **Introductions**

Members of the committee introduced themselves.

## **Action Items from Last Meeting (refer to the presentation for the graphs)**

1. Cost for burying diverting and recycling waste  
These are included in the Stage 1 Report, Section 6 Finances and Section 7 Benchmarking
2. Review of the Volume of Recycling  
Graph provided from 2011 to 2016 showing recycling volumes including shadow population
3. Review the return haul numbers used in the calculation  
Mistake in Elko return-haul distance, will be corrected in the final report
4. Central Subregion Rural Transfer Stations  
Will be address as an “action item” in the SMWP  
Average distance between transfer stations for neighbouring RD’s has been discussed  
Also have discussed that RecycleBC depot locations aim to be within 30 – 45 minute drive for residents
5. Recycling numbers versus solid waste  
Included in the Stage 1 Report, Section 5 (Table 5-1)

Sperling Hansen reviewed where the committee is in the Solid Waste Management Plan Update planning process:

- Phase 2 – Policies and Bylaws
- Next meeting will be on Finances
- Sperling Hansen will be putting all the information together
- Phase 3 Community and Stakeholder Consultation

## **Topics Discussed:**

- Recycling where do our products go once collected
- The need to get the message out to the public about where our recycling goes

- Whether the information from our committee meetings is shared with the Board members, ie: Mayors.
- Composting initiatives and putting forward a proposal and are hoping to receive infrastructure funding
- The need for more education about the services that are provided
- Keeping costs low should be what drives the decisions that are made
- There will be more public engagement opportunities
- Having more user fees usually leads to more illegal dumping
- Review of the Solid Waste Management Plan gives the opportunity to review user fees and the impact they may have
- Costs will be brought forward to a public meeting which is where we will find out the services that can be provided
- Enforcement of illegal dumping
- After a more thorough review, the survey document will be shared with SWMP committee and publicly

## **Solid Waste Management Policies and Bylaws**

### **Presentation from the Consultant:**

- Goals of Survey
- Promotion

**Sperling Hansen** presented the goals of the meeting to include:  
(Refer to DRAFT AC Report\_Policies & Bylaws)

## **Regional and Municipal Bylaws**

### **User Pay System**

### **Disposal Bans**

### **Illegal Dumping Prevention**

### **Waste Stream Management Licensing**

### **Extended Producer Responsibility**

### **Zero Waste Initiatives**

### **Limitations**

### **Promotion and Education**

### **General observations;**

- The advisory committee continues to be concerned about implementation of user fees and the possible increase in illegal dumping they may cause
- The advisory committee is concerned about rumours around where recycling goes and the need to communicate to the public about this

### **Next meeting**

April 2, 2019 (10 am to 2 pm)  
Financial Implications.

The meeting adjourned. 1:40 pm

<b>Action Items</b>	<b>Person Responsible</b>	<b>Completed</b>
Review of the responses from municipal and rural from the Survey	Loree	
Communicate where our recycling goes	Loree	
Cost out a punch pass for disposal	Sperling Hansen	
Tipping fees review other Regional Districts and the outcome of having them	Sperling Hansen	
Review the trends in the survey.	Sperling Hansen	
Financial implication of savings in taxation if we implement user fees (Average of neighbouring Regional Districts with similar demographics.)	Sperling Hansen	