June 16, 2020

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Agenda

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY

A G E N D A: County Council Meeting for the purpose of a

<u>Utilities Meeting</u>: Environmental Operations

to be held on

Tuesday, June 16, 2020 at 9:00 o'clock A.M.

Held virtually through Electronic Communication Technology: Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82661557840?pwd=RjQrL3Q1amRIT20wTzFieWtZK3FtQT09

1. Meeting:

1.1 Call to Order.

2. Agenda:

Acceptance of Agenda: as presented or subject to additions or deletions

3. Minutes:

3.1. Adopt minutes of April 15, 2020– Utilities Meeting: Environmental Operations Meeting. ©

Recommendation: Motion to Adopt.

3.2 Utilities Meeting: April 15, 2020 Environmental Operations: Action List. ©

Recommendation: File for Information.

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4. Request for Decision:

4.1 Draft Letter to County's Insurer Priddle and Gibbs. ©

Recommendation: Councils Discretion.

5. Issues for Information:

- 5.1 Managers Report. ©
- 5.2 Evergreen Regional Waste Management Services Commission Meeting May 14, 2020. ©
- 5.3 Warspite Sewage and Storm Drain issues for information. ©

Recommendation: For Discussion.

6. Correspondence:

6.1 Alberta Recycling Program - Pilot Project. ©

Recommendation: For Discussion.

- 7. <u>Delegation(s)</u>
- 8. Executive Session:
- 9. Date and time of Next Meeting(s): Adjournment

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY

Minutes of the **Environmental Operations Meeting** (Water, Wastewater and Waste Management) held on Wednesday, **April 15**, **2020** at 9:03 A.M. held virtually online through Electronic Communication Technology: Zoom Meeting.

The meeting was called to Order by the Chairperson Lorne Halisky in the presence of the following persons:

		ATTENDANCE
Div. No.	Councillor(s)	Wednesday, April 15, 2020
1	Dan Gawalko	Virtually Present
2	Johnny Cherniwchan	Virtually Present
3	Craig Lukinuk	Virtually Present
4	Lorne Halisky	Virtually Present
5	Randy Orichowski	Virtually Present
CAO	Cory Ollikka	Virtually Present @ 9:17 a.m.
Asst CAO	Lydia Cielin	Virtually Present
Finance Manager	Brenda Adamson	Virtually Present
Env. Oper. Manager	Dave Franchuk	Virtually Present
Legislative Svcs/R.S.	Patti Priest	Virtually Present
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Scott Franchuk, County Fire Chief, was virtually present as an observer.

No members of the Media in attendance. No member of the Public in attendance.

2. Agenda:

639-20: Orichowski

That the Smoky Lake County Environmental Operations Meeting Agenda for Wednesday April 15, 2020, be adopted, as presented.

Carried Unanimously.

1. Minutes:

640-20: Lukinuk

That the Minutes of the Smoky Lake County Environmental Operations Meeting held on Monday, February 24, 2020, be adopted as presented.

Carried.

641-20: Gawalko

That the Action List from the Smoky Lake County Environmental Operations Meeting held on Monday, February 24, 2020, be filed for information.

Carried.

Kyle Schole, Planning and Development Assistant, virtually joined the meeting, time 9:10 a.m.

Cory Ollikka, Chief Administrative Officer, virtually joined the meeting, time 9:17~a.m.

Hank Holowaychuk, Member of the Public, virtually joined the meeting, time 9:18~a.m.

4. Request for Decision:

Sewage Backup - 5004 52 Street Warspite

642-20: Lukinuk

That Smoky Lake County's Environmental Operations Manager prepare a letter for Council's review to the attention of the County's Insurer: Priddle and Gibbs Adjusters, to express displeasure in the way they handled denying all County liability surrounding the matter of Claim Number 011927AY in regard to the June 26, 2019, Sewer Backup in the residence at 5004 52 Street Warspite, Alberta.

Carried.

643-20: Orichowski

That Smoky Lake County approve to pay Invoice # BV19-097R, dated April 11, 2019, in the total amount of \$9,924.43, issued by Border City Fire and Flood, Lloydminster, for property damage repairs caused by a sewage backup at 5004 52 Street Warspite, Alberta, on October 14, 2019: the same day as the Warspite Sewage Lift Station pumps tripping an electrical breaker due to overheating as a result of being plugged, as well as the landline dialing alarm system failing.

Carried.

644-20: Gawalko

That Smoky Lake County approve to pay half of the total claim in the amount of \$995.00 for a maximum in the amount of \$497.50 payable to Pat Sidor for personal property damaged by a sewage backup at 5004 52 Street Warspite, Alberta, on October 14, 2019: the same day as the Warspite Sewage Lift Station pumps tripping an electrical breaker due to overheating as a result of being plugged, as well as the landline dialing alarm system failing.

Carried.

645-20: Lukinuk

That Smoky Lake County provide notice to Hamlet of Warspite residents in regard to information on sewage backflow preventors, liability of sewage backups, and tips on preventing sewage backups; and advertise on the County's Social Media and Grapevine.

Carried.

Spencer Kotylak, Deputy Fire Chief, virtually joined the meeting, time 9:26 a.m.

Bylaw No. 1378-20: Evergreen Regional Waste Management Services Commission

646-20: Orichowski

That Smoky Lake County Bylaw No. 1378-20: Evergreen Regional Waste Management Services Commission, being a bylaw for the purpose of holding a Facilities Operating Agreement for Solid Waste Management Services, and a Lease Agreement for Solid Waste Facility Lands within the boundaries of Smoky Lake County, with, and to, the Evergreen Regional Waste Management Services Commission, be given FIRST READING.

Carried.

Moved by Councillor Gawalko that Smoky Lake County Bylaw No. 1378-20: Evergreen Regional Waste Management Services Commission, being a bylaw for the purpose of holding a Facilities Operating Agreement for Solid Waste Management Services, and a Lease Agreement for Solid Waste Facility Lands within the boundaries of Smoky Lake County, with, and to, the Evergreen Regional Waste Management Services Commission, be given SECOND READING.

Carried.

Moved by Councillor Lukinuk that Smoky Lake County Bylaw No. 1378-20: Evergreen Regional Waste Management Services Commission, being a bylaw for the purpose of holding a Facilities Operating Agreement for Solid Waste Management Services, and a Lease Agreement for Solid Waste Facility Lands within the boundaries of Smoky Lake County, with, and to, the Evergreen Regional Waste Management Services Commission, be given PERMISSION for THIRD AND FINAL READING.

Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Cherniwchan that Smoky Lake County Bylaw No. 1378-20: Evergreen Regional Waste Management Services Commission, being a bylaw for the purpose of holding a Facilities Operating Agreement for Solid Waste Management Services, and a Lease Agreement for Solid Waste Facility Lands within the boundaries of Smoky Lake County, with, and to, the Evergreen Regional Waste Management Services Commission, be given the THIRD and FINAL READING and that the Reeve and the Chief Administrative Officer are hereby authorized to fix their signatures to all necessary documents and that the corporate seal also be fastened where it is deemed to be necessary.

Carried.

5. Issues for Information:

Environmental Operations: Manager's Report

647-20: Lukinuk

That the Smoky Lake County Environmental Operations Manager's report for the period of February 18, 2020 to April 7, 2020 be accepted and filed for information.

Carried.

Evergreen Regional Waste Management Services Commission - March 19, 2020 Minutes

648-20: Orichowski

That the agenda package received by Smoky Lake County from Evergreen Regional Waste Management Services Commission's Regular Meeting held on March 19, 2020 at the County of St. Paul No. 19's office, be filed for information.

Carried.

Rain Barrels and Composters

649-20: Lukinuk

That Smoky Lake County Council take no action to the information received in regard to Sturgeon County's Rain Barrels and Composters Program as Smoky Lake County is not in a position to implement such a program at this time.

Carried.

6. Correspondence:

No Correspondence.

7. Delegation:

Kurt and Lillian Stahl, K. J. Roofing

Kurt and Lillian Stahl, of Bellis Alberta, owners of K. J. Roofing were unable to virtually attend to discuss After-hour access to the Landfills. Dave Franchuk, Environmental Manager, spoke on their behalf.

650-20: Lukinuk

That Smoky Lake County be willing to accommodate the opening of Smoky Lake and Spedden Landfills upon receiving reasonable notice and within the County's regular office-hours of operation; and notify Kurt and Lillian Stahl, of Bellis Alberta, owners of K. J. Roofing of same.

Carried.

8. Executive Session:

No Executive Session.

Next Meeting

651-20: Cherniwchan

That the next Smoky Lake County <u>Environmental Operations</u> <u>Meeting</u> be scheduled for <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>June 16</u>, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. to be held Virtually and/or in the County Council Chambers.

Carried.

Waste Transfer Station and Landfill - Hours of Operation

652-20: Orichowski

That Smoky Lake County provide notice on Social media in regard to the County returning to regular **hours** of operation for the Smoky Lake Landfill, Spedden Landfill and Bellis Waste Transfer Station, being: 8 hours per day (9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.); and returning to regular **days** of operation for the Smoky Lake Landfill, being 3 days per week (Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday).

Carried.

Spring Cleanup Promotion - Freon Appliances

653-20: Orichowski

That Smoky Lake County advertise a "Spring Cleanup Promotion", exclusive to residents from the County and Villages, for free disposal of appliances containing Freon at County Landfill Sites during the period of May 11, 2020 to May 24, 2020.

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

654-20: Halisky

That the Smoky Lake County Environmental Operations Meeting of April 15, 2020 be adjourned, time 9:57 a.m.

Carried.

CHAIRPERSON

SEAL

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



MOTION No.	RESOLUTION	DEPARTMENT	ACTION	STRAT PLAN GOAL
642-20	That Smoky Lake County's Environmental Operations Manager prepare a letter for Council's review to the attention of the County's Insurer: Priddle and Gibbs Adjusters, to express displeasure in the way they handled denying all County liability surrounding the matter of Claim Number 011927AY in regard to the June 26, 2019, Sewer Backup in the residence at 5004 52 Street Warspite, Alberta.	Enviro Op. Manager	A draft letter will be presented as information for Councils review, on the June 16, 2020 Environmental Operations Meeting.	
643-20	That Smoky Lake County approve to pay Invoice # BV19-097R, dated April 11, 2019, in the total amount of \$9,924.43, issued by Border City Fire and Flood, Lloydminster, for property damage repairs caused by a sewage backup at 5004 52 Street Warspite, Alberta, on October 14, 2019: the same day as the Warspite Sewage Lift Station pumps tripping an electrical breaker due to overheating as a result of being plugged, as well as the landline dialing alarm system failing.	,	The invoice with motion 643-20 attached, had been submitted to accounts payable on Thursday April 16, 2020. Cheque # 49344 issued on April 21, 2020.	
644-20	That Smoky Lake County approve to pay half of the total claim in the amount of \$995.00 for a maximum in the amount of \$497.50 payable to Pat Sidor for personal property damaged by a sewage backup at 5004 52 Street Warspite, Alberta, on October 14, 2019: the same day as the Warspite Sewage Lift Station pumps tripping an electrical breaker due to overheating as a result of being plugged, as well as the landline dialing alarm system failing.	Enviro Op.	The property damage claim with motion No. 644-20 had been submitted to Accounts payable on Thursday April 16, 2020. Cheque # 49372 issued on April 21, 2020.	

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645-20	That Smoky Lake County provide notice to Hamlet of Warspite residents in regard to information on sewage backflow preventors, liability of sewage backups, and tips on preventing sewage backups; and advertise on the County's Social Media and Grapevine.	Enviro Op. Manager	On April 20, 2020 information on Backwater valves was emailed to the Communications Director to advertise on Social Media and the Grapevine. The same Information will be included in each April water bill as well.	
		Communications	Sewage Prevention Tips advertised in the Smoky Lake County May 2020 Grapevine (published the week of May 11, 2020) and advertised on the Smoky Lake County facebook page on May 7, 2020.	
		_	Backup Prevention Tips	
	:	Se Se	ackwater Valve ewage in a basement or on a ground floor is a mess. Installing a ackwater valve can prevent sewers from backing up.	
		into mainline storm s businesses. When the	ewage Backups Happen ewer systems are typically gravity based and flow through to a waste alter treatment plant. When a sudden heavy rainstorm flushes debris sewers and sanitary sewers, sewers can backup into homes and hese two types of sewer systems are overwhelmed, sewers will back ase in a home's sewer lines can also lead to backups.	
		A mainline backwate backing up into your	alve Helps Prevent Flooding r valve can help prevent sewage in an overloaded main sewerline from basement. Placed directly into the sewer lateral in your basement, the closes if sewage backs up from the main sewer.	
	er.	may prevent water fr	Valves are Equal vater valves, such as the plug type, are not recommended. While they om entering your basement, they allow sewer backup pressure to build ent floor, this can potentially cause structural damage to your home.	
		Adapted from 'The Handl	book for Reducing Besement Flooding, Institute for Catastrophic Loss Reduction'	

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650-20	That Smoky Lake County be willing to accommodate the opening of Smoky Lake and Spedden Landfills upon receiving reasonable notice and within the County's regular office-hours of operation; and notify Kurt and Lillian Stahl, of Bellis Alberta, owners of K. J. Roofing of same.	Enviro Op. Manager	On April 15, 2020, the Environmental Operations manager notified Kurt and Lillian Stahl of the contents of Motion 50-20.	

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652-20	That Smoky Lake County provide notice on Social media in regard to the County returning to regular hours of operation for the Smoky Lake Landfill, Spedden Landfill and Bellis Waste Transfer Station, being: 8 hours per day (9:00 a.m. to 5:00	Enviro Op. Manager	Advertisements on social media started on April 20, 2020 and an ad will be placed on the next County Grapevine.	
	p.m.); and returning to regular days of operation for the Smoky Lake Landfill, being 3 days per week (Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday).	Communications	Waste Transfer Station Regular Hours posted on the Smoky Lake County Facebook page and webpage on April 20, 2020.	
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I		W	ASTE TRANSFER STATIONS	
			ransfer stations and landfill sites will resume operating hours effective April 20, 2020	
		Bellis Tran	sfer Station Wednesday & Saturday	
		Smoky Lak	e Landfill Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday	
		Spedden L	andfill Wednesday & Sunday	
		Viina Trans	fer Station Tuesday & Saturday	
		Waskatena	nu Transfer Station Saturday	
			Hours of Operation:	
			9:00 AM to 5:00 PM	

April 15, 2020 Environmental Operations

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	That Smoky Lake County advertise a "Spring Cleanup Promotion", exclusive to residents from the County and Villages, for free disposal of appliances containing Freon at County Landfill Sites during the period of May 11, 2020 to May 24, 2020.	Enviro Op. Manager	Ads for free disposal of appliances containing Freon during the period of May.11'20 to May.24'20 will be on social media starting Apr.20'20 to May 24th as well as an advertisement on the County Grapevine. Spring Cleanup Promotion advertised in the Smoky Lake County May 2020 Grapevine (published the week of May.11'20) & advertised on Facebook May.7'20 & May.19'20 & website on May.7'20. SPRING CLEANUP PROMOTION Smoky Lake County is offering free disposal of appliances containing Freon at County Landfill Sites for residents from the County and Villages May 11, 2020 to May 24, 2020 For more information call Dave Franchuk @ 780-650-1800 Bellis Wednesday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Saturday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm	LAN
			Smoky Lake Tuesday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Thursday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Saturday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm	
			Spedden Wednesday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm	
			Vilua Tuesday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Saturday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm	
			Waskatenau Saturday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm	

Chief Administrative Officer

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



REQUEST FOR DECISION		DATE	April 15, 2020	4.1		
TOPIC Le	tter to Pri	ddle and Gi	bbs			
PROPOSAL History: On April 15, 2020 Environmental Op That Smoky Lake County's Environr of the County's Insurer: Priddle and denying all County liability surroundi 2019 Sewer Backup in the residence drafted regarding the motion.			mental Operat I Gibbs Adjust ing the matter	ions Manager prepare a letter fo ers, to express displeasure in the of Claim Number 011927AY in r	e way they handled egard to the June 26.	
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INTERGOVERN INVOLVEMENT						
COMMUNICAT	ION STI	RATEGY				
Recommendation Option #1 The Smoky Lake County send the letter as is to Andrea Yuhasz of Priddle and Gibbs. Option #2 The Smoky Lake County send the letter with amendments to Andrea Yuhasz of Priddle and Gibbs. Councils Discretion						



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Municipal File: 11-59 Your File: Claim # 011927AY

Priddle & Gibbs Adjusters 17313 107 Avenue Edmonton AB T5S 1E5

Sent via Email:

andrea.yuhasz@priddlegibbs.com mike.priddle@priddlegibbs.com jeff.gibbs@priddlegibbs.com

June 10, 2020

To Whom It May Concern,

Smoky Lake County Council is writing to express displeasure with the way your company handled denying all County liability surrounding the matter of Claim Number 011927AY in regard to the June 26, 2019, Sewer Backup in Pat Sidor's residence located at 5004 52 Street Warspite, Alberta.

The copy of the claim denial letter to Pat Sidor received from Andrea Yuhasz, FCIP, dated March 19, 2020, admits the backup was caused by debris blocking the pumps in the sewer lift station and does not have a detailed explanation as to why the County was not held liable; it only quotes portions of the Municipal Government Act and mentions policy and procedures. The lack of details in the letter caused further frustration for the resident and created a negative view of the County, as clearly, the sewer backup was indeed caused by the County's equipment malfunction and yet, without any explanation in plain language, the County was not held liable.

We respectfully suggest that more details are included with claim denial letters stated in layman's terms including a timeline of events showing the County did or did not fail to maintain a reasonable state of repair therefore proving or denying negligence on the part of the County.

Yours truly,

Craig Lukinuk Reeve



March 19, 2020

Pat Sidor

Re:

Our File No.:

011927AY

Our Insured.:

Smoky Lake County

Date of Loss.:

June 26, 2019

I am the Adjuster appointed to represent the Insurers of the Smoky Lake County, as it relates to the above-noted matter.

I understand that sewer back up damage occurred in your residence causing damage to the basement.

I have reviewed this matter with the representatives of Smoky Lake County, who advised that after investigation it was discovered that the back up was caused by debris blocking the pumps in the lift station, and advised that inspection of the lift station was completed within their policy and procedures.

We have also reviewed the following portions of the Municipal Government Act of Alberta of relevance:

528 – A Municipality is not liable in an action resulting from the operation or non-operation of a public utility, unless the cause of the action is negligence.

530 - A Municipality is not liable for damage caused by frequency, infrequency, or absence of inspections and maintenance.

532(6) - A Municipality is only liable if they knew or should have known of the state of repairs.

Our investigation into this matter has not revealed any findings of negligence on the part of Smoky Lake County. Therefore, while it is unfortunate that you have sustained a loss, we must respectively deny any and all liability surrounding this matter.

Yours truly,

Andrea Yuhasz, FCIP Direct Line: (780) 489-3310

andrea.yuhasz@pribblegibbs.com



Water

Update provided by Dave Franchuk on Jun 10, 2020 16:47:40

April 7 to June 10, 2020

- April 7-9 Repair cracked line at Bellis truckfill, will camera line and tank as it is slow pumping and may be sucking air.
- April 14 Update Warspite Water Emergency response plan.
- April 16 Update communication with backup modem at Bellis Raw water truckfill.
- April 17 Remove debris from Bellis potable water fill solenoid valve. Was delayed when it opened and closed.
- April 28 Repair coin operated water truckfill at Warspite, bent coin plugged it.
- May 7 Clean debris from pressure reducing valve at Spedden water facility and repair small leak.
- May 12 Troubleshoot truckfill issue at Warspite truckfill and barrel fill opening at the same time due to wiring short.
- May 22 Repair barrel fill hose at Spedden truckfill.

Truckfills are busy as usual, We are opening more accounts as well as continuing to add funds towards prepaid accounts. Bellis raw water appears to have issues with sucking air and loosing prime we are sending a camera through the pipes and tanks and will know more next week.

Action 5.3.3

Waste Water

Update provided by Dave Franchuk on Jun 10, 2020 18:22:40

April 7 to June 10, 2020

May 4 to 6 Monitoring lift station pumps, lifted pumps both were plugged fortunately was caught and wasn't at flooding level. The pumps were both plugged we removed the debris(Jean material and sanitary wipes). Unfortunately both pump motors were shot. We are running off of a borrowed pump right now.

May 31 Due to large amount of rain the pump could not keep up arrived at 6:30 am and had the vac truck pump out 14 loads before we noticed the pump was actually

working, but could not keep up.

June 6 Due to heavy rains to lift pump had a hard time keeping up. We plugged the storm drain man hole that caused a little ponding by the lift station, but the pump

started to keep up.

June 9-10 New pump was installed, but was plugged immediately, we pulled the pump and had the vac trucks clean the septic well. both pumps running for now.

Action 5.3.4

Waste Management

April 7 to June 10, 2020			
April 9	Sand bin sites, extremely icy.		
April 13-14	Garbage truck down, moving waste around to accommodate publics waste needs.		
April 22	Remove furniture and torn garbage bags from ditch south of Spedden.		
May 19	Repair fences at property north of Vilna Transfer station due to fire.		
May 29	Removing twine and plastics from Bellis Transfer Station to Smoky Lake landfill.		
June 2-3	Burn brush with water truck, piles were quite large due to fire restrictions.		
June 4-5	Remove leaning trees and fence repairs at Bellis and Smoky Lake transfer stations.		
June 8-10	Garbage along fences being picked up at the Smoky Lake transfer station.		

Action 5.3.5

Regional Water

April 7 to June 10, 2020

Update provided by Dave Franchuk on Jun 10, 2020 19:25:30

April 8	Monitoring flows and inspection during warranty leak repair.		
April 17	Warranty repairs on PRV at Warspite booster station.		
April 20	Get flow going through Edwand booster station after repairs.		
April 23	Work on new spread sheets for monitoring regional system.		
April 27-28	CAV checks and pump out excess water.		
April 30	Work on CAV report and record records.		
May 6	Meet with contractor at Warspite booster station. Seeding and finish landscaping.		
May 7	Calculate monthly water usage for billing.		
May 19	Calculate water loss during break and send in to Associated Engineering.		
May 20	Contract 2 deficiency tour.		
May 27	Meet with contract 1 and 2 regarding clean up and landscaping issues brought up at deficiency tour.		
May 28	Contract 2 deficiency tour.		
May 29	Troubleshoot, PLC went down. Vector did updates required.		
June 3-4	Checking and pumping out CAV's due to rain.		
During this reporting period we had 178 First Calls.			

Administrative

Update provided by Dave Franchuk on Jun 10, 2020 19:43:57

April 7 to	June 10, 2020
April 8	Complete agenda package for Environmental Operations meeting.
April 15	Environmental Operations meeting. Then tend to action list items.
April 23	Budget meeting.
April 29	Whitefish Lake reservoir meeting
May 1	Submit time and on call. as well as Regional Operators time and mileage.
May 6	Hwy 28/63 Virtual Zoom meeting.
May 13	Whitefish Lake reservoir progress Virtual Zoom meeting.
May 14	Evergreen Virtual Zoom meeting.
May 15	Joint Health and Safety Virtual Zoom meeting.
June 3	Cascade software planning session.
June 9	Metis Crossing Infrastructure water session Virtual Zoom meeting.
June 10	$White fish\ Lake\ reservoir\ Virtual\ Zoom\ meeting\ and\ complete\ Environmental\ Operations\ agenda.$

Action 5.3.7

Training

Update provided by Dave Franchuk on Jun 10, 2020 19:44:52

April 7 to June 10, 2020

No training took place during this reporting period.

EVERGREEN REGIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING

Thursday, May 14, 2020 County of St. Paul 10:00 a.m.

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order Additions to the Agenda 2. Minutes of March 19, 2020 Regular Meeting 3. **Business Arising from Minutes** a. New Hire SWANA Symposium- new date b. Evergreen Logo c. d. e. f. **Closed Meeting Session** 4. 5. Treasurer's Report 6. **New Business** Regional Site Report Covid- 19: Hours of Operation/ Relief Cheque b. Leachate hauling rates- County of St. Paul c. d. Tervita Deep Well Metal Pricing e. f. Cardboard bales- Town of St. Paul g. Electronic Invoicing Remote Computer System h. i. j. k. 7. Other Business/Correspondence a. b. c.
 - d.
- 8. Next Meeting
- 9. Adjournment

EVERGREEN REGIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICES COMMISSION

Minutes of Regular Meeting County of St. Paul Office Thursday, March 19, 2020

Members Present:

Steve Upham- Chairman, Nathan Taylor, Randy Orichowski, Richard Warren Debra McQuinn, Dan Kotylak, Leo Chapdelaine

Alternates Present:

Ron Boisvert, Maxine Fodness, Terri Hampson, Hank Holowaychuk

Paul Poulin- Manager Evergreen Landfill Ashley Cozzens- Recording Secretary Tim Mahdiuk- County of St. Paul

1. CALL TO ORDER

Steve Upham called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

a. Additions to Agenda

Randy Orichowski made a motion to accept the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

2. MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 6, 2020 REGULAR MEETING

Debra McQuinn made a motion to adopt the minutes of the February 6, 2020 Regular Meeting as presented.

CARRIED

3. AUDITED FINANICAL STATEMENTS 2019: Barb McCarthy JMD Group

Barb McCarthy presented the audited financial statements for the year 2019.

Dan Kotylak made a motion to accept the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2019 as presented.

CARRIED

4. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

a. AB CARE Conference- Westlock

Terri and Paul talked about the Alberta Care Conference in Westlock:

- Tour of the Westlock Landfill
- DAPP Tour
- Neeralta Manufacturing tour
- Optimize your compaction- Luke Dixon, Civil Tracker Land Survey
- Future Sustainable Recycling Plastics- Jonathan Bateman, Full Circle Plastics
- Enable Collaboration & Awareness in Plastic Issues- Tammy Shwass, AB Plastics Recycling Assoc.
- Van Brabant Used Oil Facility
- Eco Flex Rubber Products Tour
- Evaporation Technology- SLIM line Mfg.
- Clean Farms- Grain bag project
- Alberta Recycling Management Authority

Randy Orichowski made a motion to file the AB Care Conference discussion as information.

CARRIED

b. CNRL for Leachate Disposal

Paul contacted CNRL on the possibility of using their facility for the disposal of our leachate. CNRL would be able to accept it and to consider them when the leachate disposal contract comes due this winter.

Leo Chapdelaine made a motion to file the CNRL leachate disposal discussion as information.

CARRIED

c. Game Fence-Estimate for new inert cell

We received a quote from F&H Ag Services Ltd. regarding the fence that has to go up around the inert 8 cell.

- \$6,300 for 400 feet of 8 ft. game fencing with galvanized pipe post every 20 ft. cemented in, including 1 L brace and 2 single braces with 3.5" galvanized pipe cemented in, and 3 barbwire top. This is for material and labor.
- 30 ft. windbreak panels are \$600 with no wood. \$600 per panel.

Leo Chapelaine made a motion to purchase the 400 feet of 8 ft. game fencing with the cemented posts for \$6,300 plus GST from F&H Ag Services Ltd.

CARRIED

Debra McQuinn made a motion to look at different options for mobile fencing and to bring those options back to a future meeting.

CARRIED

d. Sea Can-Storage for office

We received a quote from SeaCansRus regarding a sea can that we can use for storage at the scale house.

A used 20' container; guaranteed wind, water and rodent proof \$2,200. Delivery \$525; free lock box installed.

There was a discussion to look at more sea can options.

Debra McQuinn made a motion to accept Paul's report on the sea can storage as information.

CARRIED

e. Lease/Operating Agreements- Smoky Lake County

Smoky Lake will be signing the agreements; there will be no changes.

Randy Orichowski made a motion that the Smoky Lake County will bring the signed Lease and Operating Agreement to the next board meeting.

CARRIED

5. CLOSED MEETING SESSION

Leo Chapdelaine made a motion to go into closed meeting session for legal at 10:48 a.m.

CARRIED

Debra McQuinn made a motion to return to the regular meeting at 11:22 a.m.

CARRIED

Randy Orichowski made a motion to contact Alberta Environmental regarding the next steps in the appeal.

CARRIED

6. TREASURERS REPORT

Ashley Cozzens presented the Treasurer's Report to February 29, 2020.

Dan Kotylak made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented.

CARRIED

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Regional Site Report

Paul Poulin presented the regional site report:

- Ordered tire aggregate for the year (50 tn); just in case we have any leachate breakouts we can repair them.
- Survey was done to see how much airspace we have in our cells. We will have to build in:
 - o Inert cell: 2.5 years
 - o MSW Cells: 2028-early 2029

Dan Kotylak made a motion to accept the Regional Site Report as information.

CARRIED

b. New Seasonal Hire

We would like to consider hiring a new seasonal employee to help with jobs that are part of the spring and summer work. There is litter to collect and to have someone trained to work at the transfer station. The orientation courses for all areas of the landfill and transfer station will begin soon and it would be great to have someone in place.

There could be the possibility of sharing the employee with the County of St. Paul and have them do jobs at the other transfer stations.

c. Possession and Acquisition Certificate

It is part of our ops plan to control vermin's on site and we should have certification on site to conduct this kind of control.

Randy Orichowski made a motion to have Paul apply for renewal of his firearm's license and to have an Evergreen Attendant take the firearms course.

CARRIED

d. Spring Cleanup 2020

May 11 to 23, 2020 there will be having a spring cleanup; where residents will be able to dispose of fridges, freezers and water coolers that contain Freon at transfer stations located in the area without paying the \$20 Freon removal fee. The fee waiver is valid only during the spring cleanup.

Debra McQuinn made a motion to approve the participation of the Evergreen Regional Landfill in the Spring Clean-up.

CARRIED

e. Cardboard Recycling

f. Daily Cover

Cardboard recycling and daily cover were discussed at the same time.

There was an email sent to Omni McCann regarding what our options are for daily cover. We asked if we able to use cardboard, shingles, crushed wood; they said there are no issues with using these. These options would only be used in the winter months until we have access to our clay piles to cover.

Paul will be approaching the transfer stations about the possibility of using the shingles that they have stock piled as daily cover in the winter.

g. Landfill Firefighting Course

Henry Thompson from the St. Paul Fire Department came to the landfill site. During the visited we looked at our emergency response plan, looked at the site and what is available for equipment/ resources, location of the Muster Points, provided him with contact information and identified the closest water source and clay piles.

There was a Landfill Firefighting Course that was offered at the Alberta Care Conference and the course was presented very well. There has been interest in a second course with the same content. The municipalities of Bonnyville, St. Michael, Smoky Lake and Evergreen have shown interest in sending staff to a course like this. We would like to extend an invitation to the First Nations Communities that boarder the County of St. Paul as well to participate.

We would need approx. ten participants to host this one day course.

Randy Orichowski made a motion to send out a request for interest from the Municipalities Fire Departments about the possibility of attending a landfill firefighting course.

CARRIED

h. Eco Mister Evaporator

This was presented at the Westlock Alberta Care Conference and the numbers from the landfill case study used is from the Pincher Creek Landfill. Their disposal cost/year for leachate is very close to Evergreen Landfill leachate disposal cost. Paul would like to go to Pincher Creek to see the Eco Mister Evaporator in person to see if this could be an option for Evergreen.

Richard Warren made a motion to have Paul and a couple members of the commission go see the eco mister evaporator in Pincher Creek.

CARRIED

i. CHEM LOC storage sheds

These are sea cans that are converted in used oil storage sheds. They are also used as chemical storage sheds. They are built to code for any spill containment with sump, ventilation and wide open doors for easy access with pallet jacks.

Debra McQuinn made a motion to file the CHEM LOC storage sheds discussion as information.

CARRIED

j. Business Mixer- Tribal Chiefs

Tribal Chiefs is hosting a business mixer, job fair, and Gala in Bonnyville on April 8. Eight First Nations will be represented at this event with over six hundred plus attendees over the course of two days including Economic Development, Land Consultation, business leaders and entrepreneurs from Beaver Lake, Cold Lake, Heart Lake, Kehewin Goodfish, Saddle Lake and Onion Lake

This has been currently postponed; they will let us know when it has been rescheduled.

k. Energy from Waste Association

SAEWA (Southern Alberta Energy from Waste Association) has identified a preferred site in the County of Newell (by Brooks Alberta) for Energy from Waste Facility.

8. <u>OTHER BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE</u>

a. AB Care Conference- Fall

The fall session of the AB Care Conference will be held in Pincher Creek from September 9 to 11.

b. SWANA Canadian Symposium

SWANA Canadian Symposium will be held April 20-23 and the Fairmont, Banff Springs Hotel and Conference Centre.

c. Coronavirus

Westlock Regional Waste Management Commission has provided a copy of their directive regarding the CoronaVirus. General guidance for all workers and employers, primary strategies, support for employees and families, minimizing illness among staff.

This is a great start for us to review and to see if these directives would work for our commission board.

Debra McQuinn made a motion to adopt the CoronaVirus directive from the Westlock Reginal Waste Management Commission as a policy for the Evergreen Regional Waste Management Services Commission.

CARRIED

9. **NEXT MEETING**

Next meeting is to be scheduled for Thursday, May 14, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. at the County of St. Paul office.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Steve Upham adjourned the meeting at 12:11 p.m.

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Date	Commission Chairman

Commission Chairman



Warspite Sewage and Storm Drain.

Within the last few months we had many issues with the Warspite sewage system. In the past at times the pumps would stop and cause flooding in basements, even though our current Bylaw states in section **2 Application for service**

- 2.6 Weeping tile must not connect to the sanitary sewer system. Weeping tile must connect to a sump and water shall be discharged by a sump pump to an exterior splash pad that drains away from the foundation.
- 2.7 It shall be the responsibility of the Property Owner to install a check valve prior to the sewage connection to prevent flooding in the event of a sewage back up.

Unfortunately the pumps do tend to get plugged up and quit working, as we do see many items in the sewers that should not be flushed. We have sent out flyers and posted on social media of products the lift station pump are unable to handle, but within the recent year it seems to be getting worst. We also placed in last months Warspite utility bill explaining the importance of check valves. We have tried replacing the pumps, but the largest pumps that are single phase seem to continue to be problematic. New technology has stronger 3 phase grinding pumps, but of course the cost is a lot more.

Our Storm drains are tied into the sewage lift station and recently we have noticed with a large amount of precipitation the single phase pumps have a hard time keeping up for the demand, causing sewage back up and with that comes upset homeowners.

Currently the County's sewer charge is \$20.00 a month per home and we have 46 customers equalling to \$920.00 a month. I looked at other municipalities for examples of their fees:

Smoky Lake 0.60 per cubic meter

Vilna \$34.00 every 2 months

Waskatenau \$10.00 per month.

St Paul County Hamlets \$ 25.00 per month

Thorhild County \$14.00 per month plus \$1.85 for every cubic meter used.

Unfortunately I could not get any costs of three phase grinding pumps installed prior, but should have this information by June 16 for the Environmental Operations meeting. On the next page is the Smoky Lake County's Water and Sewer Bylaw for your information.

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA BYLAW NO. 1318-18

A BYLAW OF SMOKY LAKE COUNTY IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA TO PROVIDE FOR THE SETTING AND COLLECTION OF WATER AND SEWER RATES, FEES AND CHARGES.

PURSUANT to the provisions of the *Municipal Government Act*, Chapter M-26, 2000 and amendments thereto:

WHEREAS, the Smoky Lake County operates a water supply and distribution system, and waste water collection system in various hamlets and other locations; and

WHEREAS, the owner of a parcel of land is responsible for the construction, maintenance and repair of a service connection of a municipal public utility located above, on or underneath the parcel; and

WHEREAS, there are substantial costs involved in the operation and maintenance of the aforementioned services; and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the County Council that wherever possible, the cost of providing the service be paid for by the user;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of Smoky Lake County, in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, and pursuant to the authority conferred upon it by the *Municipal Government Act*, RSA 2000, Chapter M-26, as amended, does hereby enacts as follows:

SECTION 1: NAME OF THIS BYLAW

1.1 This Bylaw may be cited as the "Water and Sewer Bylaw".

SECTION 2: APPLICATION FOR SERVICE

- 2.1 An application for service shall be made at least 48 hours in advance of the expected date; of connection, as per Schedule "B": Application for Utility Service.
- 2.2 All users of water service must allow the Smoky Lake County's authorized agent to have the right to enter the owner's property at periodic intervals to inspect and exercise CC valves and must consent to any utility easements or agreements required by the County to these ends.
- 2.3 All service applications shall be made in the name of the Owner of the Property. In the event of the property being occupied by a tenant other than the Property Owner, a copy of the Utility Bill, at the request of the Property Owner, shall be mailed to the tenant. The account, however, shall remain the responsibility of the Property Owner.
- 2.4 It shall be the responsibility of the Property Owner or Occupant of the property to ensure that employees or duly authorized agents of the County have safe access to the CC valves.
- A service application fee shall be required each time there is a change in the ownership of the property, and when the Property Owner wishes to attach the name of a tenant to the account or change the name of the tenants, as per **Schedule "B": Application for Utility Service.**
- Weeping tile must not connect to the sanitary sewer system. Weeping tile must connect to a sump and water shall be discharged by a sump pump to an exterior splash pad that drains away from the foundation.
- 2.7 It shall be the responsibility of the Property Owner to install a check valve prior to the sewage connection to prevent flooding in the event of a sewage backup.

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SECTION 3: FEE FOR SERVICE

3.1 A charge shall be made against the Property Owner of all properties which are served by Smoky Lake County Utility Services for the supply and distribution of water and disposal of Sewage where applicable.

- 3.2 For every new residential construction there will be a twenty five hundred dollar (\$2,500.00) access fee.
- 3.3 For every new commercial or industrial construction there will be a thirty five hundred dollar (\$3,500.00) access fee.
- 3.4 Smoky Lake County shall mail each account's Property Owner a statement of water and sewage services monthly. The statement shall name a day and the place when and where such charges are to be payable.
- 3.5 The record of the County of the mailing of such notice shall be sufficient evidence that the notice was sent to the last known address of the person to be charged. The failure to receive such notice does not relieve the person to be charged from the penalties imposed by the provisions of this bylaw.
- 3.6 Other fees and charges for services shall be as per Schedule "A": Fees and Charges.

SECTION 4: PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

- 4.1 The Utility Bills shall be due and payable on the date of issue and shall be deemed overdue and subject to a penalty if unpaid beyond one month after the last day of the month for which the utilities were consumed.
- 4.2 Accounts shall be considered paid if full payment is received at the County Office no later than at time of County Office opening on the first working day following the last day of the month.
- 4.3 In the event a Utility Bill remains unpaid at the end of three months from the last day of the month for which the utilities were consumed, the County shall consider the account in arrears and shall have the right to disconnect the water supply to the property to which the rates were charged.
 - 4.3.1 Service shall not be restored until the full amount of the bill, current and arrears, plus a reconnection charge is paid.
 - 4.3.2 Disconnection for non-payment of utilities shall be performed during regular Smoky Lake County office hours.
 - 4.3.3 Reconnection will only be performed during normal working hours (8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding holidays) unless authorized by Environmental Operations Manager.
- 4.4 Smoky Lake County shall have the right to transfer any and all amounts from accounts deemed to be in arrears onto the Property Owner's property tax account.
- 4.5 In the event of a payment, either by cheque or direct deposit, being returned for insufficient funds, a charge of TWENTY FIVE DOLLARS (\$25.00) shall be added and charged back to the account.

SECTION 5: CONSTRUCTION OF A SERVICE CONNECTION FROM THE MAIN LINE

- 5.1 This section applies when the main lines of the system or works of a municipal public utility are located above, on or underneath a road easement and the municipality provides the municipal utility service to a parcel of land adjacent to the road easement.
- 5.2 An agreement shall be executed between the County and the Property Owner detailing the project, costing and responsibility; and may include a deposit, plus a performance bond.

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SECTION 6: CONNECTION OF SERVICE

6.1 No person other than an employee of the County or its duly authorized agent shall turn off or turn on the water supply from the County's supply system to the owner's premises or attempt to do so.

- The cost of connecting a Property Owner's water or sewage service with the County's water and sewer mains at the property line of the owner shall be bourne by the Property Owner, but no such connection shall be made without notice to the county and until such time as the proper inspections have been made by the County to ensure compliance with the County's standards and provincial standards. The Property Owner is responsible for all costs including contractors' fees. A County employee or duly authorized agent must inspect the service prior to backfilling.
- 6.3 The Property Owner of a parcel of land is responsible for the construction, maintenance and repair of a service connection of municipal public utility located above, on or underneath the parcel.
- 6.4 If the municipality is not satisfied with the construction, maintenance or repair of the service connection, the municipality may require the owner of the parcel of land to correct the construction, maintenance or repair of the system or works by a specific time and in accordance with the County's instructions.
- 6.5 If the repair has not been done to the satisfaction of the municipality within the specified time or due to an emergency, the municipality may enter on any land or building to construct, maintain or repair the service connection.

SECTION 7: WATER RESTRICTIONS

7.1 The County reserves the right to enforce water usage restrictions for emergent situations including but not restricted to fire protection, shortage of water supply, or misuse of the service.

SECTION 8: DISCRETION

8.1 Discretionary power shall be awarded to the County's Chief Administrative Officer to be exercised in unique or special circumstances.

SECTION 9: SEVERABILITY

9.1 Should any provision of this Bylaw be invalid by any means, then the invalid provision shall be severed and the remaining provisions of this Bylaw shall be maintained and in full effect.

SECTION 10: REPEAL

10.1 Bylaw 1265-14 shall be repealed upon the passing of this Bylaw.

SECTION 11: EFFECTIVE DATE OF BYLAW

11.1 This Bylaw shall take effect on the day of the Third and Final Reading.

READ FIRST TIME THIS 19th DAY OF June, 2018.

READ A SECOND TIME THIS 19th DAY OF June, 2018.

READ A THIRD TIME AND FINAL PASSED THIS 19th DAY OF June, 2018.

Craig Lukinuk, Reeve

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Cory Ollikka, Chief Administrative Officer Bylaw No. 1318-18 4

SCHEDULE "A"

FEES AND CHARGES

<u>for wintschirthos</u>	<u>[1983]</u>
Hook up • Residential	\$2,500.00
Commercial / Industrial	\$3,500.00
Reconnection	\$ 55.00
After Hour Reconnection	\$115.00
Renter's Deposit	\$300.00
Sewer Charge:	
Metered	\$20.00
• Un-metered	\$20.00
Truck Fills: Raw Water	\$1.50 per 100 gallons
Potable Water: Distributed	\$7.13 per Cubic Meter \$\frac{\\$.37}{\\$ 7.50} per Cubic Meter System Capital
Garner Lake Provincial Park	\$7.13 per Cubic Meter \$.37 per Cubic Meter System Capital \$7.50
Un-metered Water Service	\$55.00 per month
Water Meter Deposit:	
5/8" meter or service line/tenant	\$ 75.00
1" meter or service line/tenant	\$100.00
• 1 ½" meter or service line/tenant	\$165.00
3" meter of service line/tenant	\$500.00
Water and Sewer Rates:	
Water distribution service charge	\$25.00
Every Cubic Meter	\$4.63+\$0.37 reserve = \$5,00
Non Active Service Charge	\$25.00

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SCHEDULE "B"

APPLICATION FOR UTILITY SERVICE

THIS AGREEMENT made this	day of	, A.D. 20
BETWEEN:	SMOKY LAKE COUNTY	
Telepho a Munici,	310, Smoky Lake, Alberta T0A 3C0 ne: 780-656-3730 Fax: 780-656-3768 bal Corporation in the Province of Alberta einafter referred to as "the County")	
	AND	OF THE FIRST PART
of	Business: Cell	hilar
(hereinafter referred to	as "the Property Owner" as shown	on the tax roll)
	OH	THE SECOND PART
*******	***********	******
The Owner hereby applies to the Cou	inty to become a Utility customer for the fol	lowing services:
Water Residential:		
Water Commercial		
Sewer:		
The Owner agrees to have the Count	y supply the above listed utilities to the Ow	ner.
The County agrees to sell and deliver, so far as is practical for the County to do so, and the Owner will purchase from the County, the Owner's entire need for utilities indicated above.		
The utility service application is made	for the following location:	
Civic Address:	Legal Land Description:	
The Owner agrees to pay for utilities uncounty from time to time.	used and service rendered at rates as may	be determined by the
arrears or if the account is not paid in	proval of the Owner if an outstanding utility full upon termination. The services will not onnect Fee of \$55.00 will also be charged.	be reconnected until all
disconnection must be submitted by the	will be billed monthly whether or not consur ne Owner before the County will do so. A R st be paid prior to utilities being restored.	med. Request for leconnect Fee of \$55.00
I have read and agree to the inform Agreement as of the day first above	nation outlined in this Agreement and haritten.	have executed this
PROPERTY OWNER: Per:		
Signature	S	ignature
Per:	Per:	

Authorized Agent: Print Name

From: Alberta Recycling [mailto:info@albertarecycling.ca]

Sent: Monday, May 11, 2020 4:48 PM **To:** executivedirector@albertacare.org

Subject: Expanded Electronics Program - Pilot Project



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Expanded Electronics Recycling Program - Pilot Project

On behalf of the Alberta Recycling Management Authority (ARMA) I want to thank you for being a valued stakeholder as we endeavour to build a future without waste. 2020 has been challenging and we know that now, more than ever, we must work together to ensure Alberta recovers from this tragic pandemic.

We have been working closely with the Government of Alberta, and ARMA is pleased to announce that the Government of Alberta has approved a two-year electronics pilot project which could see an additional 24,600 tonnes of electronics diverted from landfills.

We thank Minister Jason Nixon and the government for having the foresight to move forward on this opportunity which will also provide a boost to Alberta's economy and move to position it the province as a significant contributor to the emerging circular economy where we recycle and recover as much product material as possible and return it to the manufacturing process.

In 2019 ARMA participated in an economic impact assessment for which it was determined that an expanded electronics program has the potential to inject \$30 million GVA annually into Alberta's economy and create 360 additional full-time jobs in the recycling sector. At this time of uncertainty due to COVID-19, we are glad that there are glimmers of hope for recovery.

We also thank each of your member organizations for supporting ARMA and our management of the electronics recycling program. Your various areas of expertise and experience on a municipal, producer, industrial and general environmental level has been invaluable throughout the development of Canada's first electronics recycling program.

Although Alberta eventually lagged behind other provincial programs in the scope of materials approved under the program, Albertans have been steadfast in their commitment to ensuring that their end-of-life TVs, computer and office equipment were recycled. This is made evident by the fact that the program recently crossed the threshold of 10 million electronics recycled since it was launched in 2004 (returning just over 200,000 tonnes of metal, plastic and glass to the manufacturing sector). This is a testimony of individual leadership in making the decision to take an old computer or TV to an electronics collection site or a roundup rather than disposing of it.

We anticipate this commitment will increase through the pilot that will include audio visual equipment, telecom, cell phone and wireless devices, electronic gaming equipment, small home appliances, portable power tools, toys, musical instruments and solar panels. With the data that ARMA will gather from the pilot, we will be able to provide the government with critical information that will help them determine the best course of action to modernize the electronics recycling program for the long-term.

ARMA will initiate a five-month planning phase starting today to develop the pilot framework that will include procurement of external expertise to support planning, implementation and execution, stakeholder engagement and a communications program.

The planning and engagement phase will be completed digitally to continue supporting social distancing and Chief Medical Officer of Health guidelines. Upon completion of the planning phase, we anticipate that Albertans could expect to begin recycling additional electronics material in August 2020.

We look forward to keeping you informed of the pilot's progress and thank you once again for your support.

Ed Gugenheimer

CEO

Official Government of Alberta Press Release Link:

 Province approves expanded electronics recycling pilot (May 11, 2020)