



Township of Georgian Bluffs & Township of Chatsworth BioGRID Joint Board Minutes



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June 12, 2017, 8:00 a.m., Georgian Bluffs Council Chambers

Members Present:

Mayor Alan Barfoot
Mayor Bob Pringle
Deputy Mayor Dwight Burley
Deputy Mayor Scott Mackey

Staff Present:

Rick Winters, Director of Operations – Georgian Bluffs
Val Manning, Deputy Treasurer – Chatsworth
Patty Sinnamon, CAO/Clerk - Chatsworth
Troy Unruh, Utility Coordinator – Georgian Bluffs
Brian Anderson, Operations Admin Assistant – Georgian Bluffs (Recording Secretary)

1. Call to Order

Mayor Barfoot called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

None declared.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

a) May 26, 2017

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Burley

Seconded by: Mayor Pringle

That the Joint Board adopt the minutes of the meeting held on May 26, 2017.

Carried – Resolution Number BIO-11-2017

4. Additions to the Agenda (if required)

a) Committee agreed to rearrange the order of the agenda so that the unfinished business - Discussion on Revenues and Expenses for the Sunset Strip (Biodigester

Agreement) would be discussed in the OPS2017-51 Sewage / Waste Water Services Fee Increase report

5. Delegations or Deputations (if required)

None

6. Public Question Period

None

7. Correspondence

- a) Monthly Wastewater Reports – January 2017 – April 2017

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Mackey
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Burley

That the Georgian Bluffs-Chatsworth Joint Board receives the Monthly Wastewater Reports for January to April 2017 from Aquatech Canadian Water Services Inc. / GSS Engineering Consultants Ltd for information purposes.

Carried – Resolution Number BIO-12-2017

8. Reports

- a) OPS2017-51 Sewage / Waste Water Services Fee Increase

The Township of Chatsworth expressed their continuing concerns over the haulage and tipping fees for the Sunset Strip septage customers. They are not happy with the current agreement and would like to request that the agreement be revisited.

The Joint Board discussed the possibilities of shutting down the Biodigester facility and returning to the Lagoon only. If the Biodigester were to be shut down, the Board would need to decide if it would be a permanent shutdown or just until source separated organics can be taken.

The Board directed staff to prepare a report on the costs on shutting the Biodigester down. The report will consider the implications of the FIT Contract and the original funding agreement.

The Board further directed Staff to contact Ian Mitchell and Rick Chappell at the MOECC to discuss setting up a meeting with more senior Ministry staff to discuss the need for a Renewable Energy Certificate. This meeting will be set-up by Patty Sinnamon and Rick Winters and will involve Ross Slaughter for GSS as technical support.

The Township of Chatsworth would like copies of all the Sunset Strip Sewage Agreements from the Township of Georgian Bluffs.

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Burley

Seconded by: Mayor Pringle

That the BioGRID Joint Board recommend the Council of the Township of Georgian Bluffs and the Council of the Township of Chatsworth approve the increase in fees charged for the disposal of Sunset Strip commercial sewage/waste water by 5% effective August 1, 2017; and further that. The tipping fee for septage be reinstated to \$25.00/m³ effective August 1, 2017.

Carried – Resolution Number BIO-13-2017

b) 2017 Draft Budget

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Mackey

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Burley

That the BioGRID Joint Board recommend the Council of the Township of Georgian Bluffs and the Council of the Township of Chatsworth accept the 2017 draft budget as presented.

Deferred – Resolution Number BIO-14-2017

9. Unfinished Business

- a) Discussion on Revenues and Expenses for the Sunset Strip (Biodigester Agreement)

10. New Business

- a) AMO Delegation

The Board does not wish to request a delegation at this time.

- b) Township of Chatsworth - Sullivan Landfill

The Joint Board briefly discussed portions of the agreement relating to the monies that would be owed to the Township of Georgian Bluffs for not exercising the right to dump solid waste at the Township of Chatsworth – Sullivan Landfill.

11. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be September 15, 2017 at 8:00 AM

12. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:31 a.m. on a motion moved by Mayor Pringle.

Alan Barfoot, Chair

Brian Anderson, Recording Secretary