

# **MINUTES**



# CRANE MOUNTAIN ENHANCEMENT INC. (CMEI) Board of Directors Meeting

6 October 2015

The 6 October meeting of the Board of Directors of Crane Mountain Enhancement Inc. (CMEI) was held at the KBM, Westfield Road and was called to order at 6:07 p.m. by Chair, Tom Simpson.

In attendance: Patti Chisholm, Sandy Coffin, Peter Kierstead, Roberta Lee, Kevin Robertson,

Ed Ross, Tom Simpson, Jim Stubbs, Susan West

**Regrets:** Mike Bonga

**PRESENTATION OF THE AGENDA** - Modifications & Additions

MOTION 1: Jim Stubbs / Sue West - That the agenda be accepted as presented.

**MOTION 1: CARRIED** 

MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING - Corrections & Additions to 8 September Minutes

MOTION 2: Peter Kierstead / Kevin Robertson - That the minutes be accepted as presented.

**MOTION 2: CARRIED** 

### **FUNDY REGIONAL SOLID WASTE (FRSW)**

Tom Simpson reported that on Monday, October 5, when the workers arrived at the compost building a smoldering fire was discovered in one lift of compost. Suspected cause was hot ashes put in the compost. The fire was controlled and the fire department came and soaked it down. A fire watch was kept in place overnight on Monday.

- There were no complications during last week's storm. The weather ahead of the storm had been dry for a few days and the leachate pond was completely empty. Trucking began as soon as the rain started and the highest leachate level was only 2.75 m (maximum level is 4m). Some of the tarp seams ripped apart but still a lot of water was still shed off. Some tarps are being replaced.
- Electrical power production continues to be high. A record for the month of August and just a bit lower in September.
- Cell #7 is almost complete and will be accepting garbage in less than a month.

#### BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- 1. Groundwater Numerical Flow Model- Messrs. Sims & Baechler visit, September 14-15: Tom Simpson, Peter Kierstead, Roberta Lee, and Jim Stubbs met John Sims and Fred Baechler at 10 AM on Monday the 14th and took them on a field trip around the area downgradient of the landfill. The two hydrogeologists studied rock formations (type and fracture patterns) and monitoring wells and stream sampling locations were identified and investigated. (Some were overgrown; others had trails cut to them.) Questions were raised about the protocols and schedules for sampling conducted by Saint John Laboratories.
  - The CMEI Board met at 5:30 with Messrs. Sims and Baechler for dinner and a meeting. Fred Baechler presented two PowerPoint presentations that explained the process of arriving at a numerical model and the positive uses of a numerical model. Discussion between Board members and Sims and Baechler followed.

- On Tuesday the 15th from 8-10 AM, John Sims, Fred Baechler, and CMEI Board members (Kevin Robertson, Peter Kierstead, Roberta Lee, and Tom Simpson) went on a tour of the landfill conducted by Ron Nelson.
- At 10 AM, John Sims and Fred Baechler met with Marc MacLeod. CMEI Board members Simpson, Lee, Kierstead, Robertson, and West, as well as a representative from Gemtec, attended the meeting as observers. After John Sims introduced the subject matter, Fred Baechler presented two PowerPoint Presentations about numerical modeling, which were followed by questions by Marc MacLeod and explanations by Messrs. Sims and Baechler. Messrs. Sims and Baechler departed on Tuesday afternoon, after having lunch with four Board members.

MOTION 3: Roberta Lee / Jim Stubbs – That CMEI contact Saint John Laboratories to request that up to two members of CMEI be authorized to accompany the SJ Labs technician(s) during the next sampling of surface water and monitoring wells for observation purposes.

MOTION 3: CARRIED

- 2. Meeting with Marc MacLeod and follow-up letter: It was suggested that a follow-up letter be written to Mr. MacLeod, objectively stating the reasons CMEI feels it is critical to move forward with this project and encouraging him to commit to funding the first stage of the project in 2016.
  MOTION 4: Roberta Lee / Jim Stubbs That the CMEI Executive write an objective follow-up letter to Marc MacLeod indicating what CMEI has provided in regard to the importance of creating a groundwater numerical flow model and request he budget for the project in 2016.
  MOTION 4: CARRIED
- 3. *Domestic Well Testing Report:* Roberta Lee reported that Jennifer Nicholson completed the well testing and reported 62/69 homeowners participated in the testing. Ms. Nicholson noted to Mrs. Lee that she received an influx of participation after the well owners received the reminder letter from the CMEI.
- 4. Approval to Operate Update; contact with Rick Doucet: Roberta Lee reported on this ACTION item from the September meeting. Mrs. Lee was in contact with Mr. Doucet's Executive Assistant, who requested that Mrs. Lee send her the document from the May 7 meeting so that she could then send it over to the EA of the Minister of the Environment. Mr. Doucet's EA told Mrs. Lee that if CMEI receives a draft copy of the Approval to Operate and it doesn't measure up, for CMEI to contact Minister Doucet for further action. Tom Simpson noted the draft of the last ATO was received too late to discuss comments and additions at a Board meeting.
- 5. Approval to Operate: letter to Porter & Boldon: Mr. Simpson suggested a letter be sent to Jeff Porter and Mark Boldon requesting a copy of the draft ATO to permit time for CMEI to review, make any recommendations and return asking for DOE implementation.

MOTION 5: Jim Stubbs / Kevin Robertson – That the CMEI Executive write a letter to the Department of Environment (Jeff Porter and Mark Boldon) requesting a draft of the Approval to Operate be sent to CMEI in time to review it prior to the December 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of CMEI board.

**MOTION 5: CARRIED** 

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Tom Simpson reported that on behalf of CMEI he received e-mails from **exp.**; the annual corporate return for CMEI (2015); and receipts from Sue West for meals (**exp.** meeting and October meeting CMEI). Mr. Simpson requested a motion to pay Sue West expenses.

**MOTION 6:** Ed Ross / Peter Kierstead – That the Treasurer be authorized to pay for items.

**MOTION 6: CARRIED** 

#### **CHAIR'S REPORT**

See Business Arising.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer, Jim Stubbs, submitted a written Treasurer's report for the 6 October 2015 meeting. (copy on file) Opening balance: \$44,929.71; Total expenses: \$5,350.27; Closing balance: \$39,579.44. CMEI year end is October 31. Mr. Stubbs will be submitting books to Teed, Saunders, and Doyle to prepare the year end reports and return.

MOTION 7: Sue West / Kevin Robertson - That the Treasurer's Report be accepted as presented.

MOTION 7: CARRIED

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

## **Monitoring**

See Business Arising.

#### **Special Projects**

Tom Simpson reported the he has received invoices from: Nature Trust of New Brunswick, Morna Heights School (tables and chairs for gymnasium), River Valley Community Centre. Invoices have been submitted to Wendy at the landfill for payment. Mr. Simpson also received an e-mail from Joe Oliver confirming the Town of Grand Bay-Westfield has agreed to original funding for River Valley Track and Field lighting. Nothing further from River Valley Soccer regarding the shed project the school although they have confirmed the school owns the property. Mr. Simpson reported there will be roughly \$17,000.00 going to the B-List since KBM will not be moving forward with their project.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. Potential proposal to raise height of cells: After a brief discussion it was decided at this point it was enough to know the request could be made, and CMEI will bring forward the item when an announcement is made.
- 2. Accompanying SJ Lab on sampling run: see Motion 3.

MOTION 8: Jim Stubbs / Peter Kierstead – That the meeting be adjourned at 7:40 pm. MOTION 8: CARRIED

The next regular meeting of the CMEI is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. 3 November 2015 at the KBM.

Respectfully submitted, Marlene Abbott, Recording Secretary