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The Regional Municipality of Durham Report

To: Works Committee
From: Commissioner of Works
Report: #2023-WR-2
Date: February 8, 2023

Subject:

Energy from Waste–Waste Management Advisory Committee (Host Community Agreement Committee) Membership Appointments

Recommendations:

That the Works Committee recommends to Regional Council:

- A) That the five applicants selected by members of the Works Committee be appointed for membership on the Energy from Waste-Waste Management Advisory Committee for a two-year term (2023-2024); and
 - B) That a copy of this report be forwarded to the Municipality of Clarington for information.
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Report:

1. Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to facilitate the appointment of individuals to serve as members on the Energy from Waste-Waste Management Advisory Committee (EFW-WMAC) (Host Community Agreement Committee (HCA)) for a two-year term (2023 to 2024 – Term Six).

2. Background

- 2.1 The HCA between the Regional Municipality of Durham (Region) and Municipality of Clarington (Clarington) required the establishment of a public advisory committee.

- 2.2 The Terms of Reference (ToR) for the EFW-WMAC were developed in collaboration with Clarington.

3. Previous Reports and Decisions

- 3.1 Report #2021-WR-2 dated February 3, 2021, EFW-WMAC (HCA Committee) Membership Appointments recommended Term Five (2021-2022) EFW-WMAC members.

4. Energy from Waste-Waste Management Advisory Committee

- 4.1 The purpose of the EFW-WMAC is to provide a forum for public and other stakeholders to monitor, review, learn and liaise with the Region about the Region's integrated waste management system.
- 4.2 Key topics anticipated to be addressed during the upcoming term include:
- a. Organics management program development;
 - b. Green Bin program expansion;
 - c. Transition to extended producer responsibility;
 - d. Long-term Waste Management Plan implementation activities;
 - e. Transfer station infrastructure improvements and service level optimization; and
 - f. Energy from waste performance updates from staff
- 4.3 The EFW-WMAC will meet on a quarterly basis and meetings will be open to the public.

5. Soliciting, Screening and Evaluation of Applicants

Advertising Campaign

- 5.1 The Region initiated a media advertising campaign using print and electronic media to ensure that Regional residents were aware of the opportunity to apply for membership to the next term of the EFW-WMAC (2023 to 2024 – Term Six). The submission deadline to submit applications was October 27, 2022.

Screening and Evaluation

- 5.2 The advertisement for membership stipulated that persons interested in membership on this committee must submit their resume and covering letter detailing their interest in this committee, previous committee experience, other relevant experience including details on their knowledge of waste management practices and energy-from-waste processes, and why they should be considered for this membership role.
- 5.3 The Region received five applications from residents living in Durham Region, listed in Attachment #1.

6. Relationship to Strategic Plan

- 6.1 This report aligns with/addresses the following strategic goals and priorities in the Durham Region Strategic Plan:
- a. Environmental Sustainability
 - Goal #1.2 – Increase waste diversion and resource recovery.
 - Goal #1.3 – Protect, preserve and restore the natural environment including greenspaces, waterways, parks, trails, and farmlands.
 - Goal #1.4 – Demonstrate leadership in sustainability and addressing climate change.
 - b. Service Excellence
 - Goal #5.3 – Demonstrate commitment to continuous quality improvement and communicating results.

7. Conclusion

- 7.1 In accordance with the EFW-WMAC's ToR, Works Committee is requested to consider recommending to Regional Council five applicants for appointment to the next term (2023 to 2024 – Term Six) of the EFW-WMAC. Clarington Council has approved four members (Attachment #2). Once both Councils have approved their respective applicants, nine Regional residents will form the EFW-WMAC.

7.2 Regional staff has approved the five applicants for the EFW-WMAC members to serve as the Region's Council appointees. The selected applicants include:

- a. Ginette Best (Town of Whitby)
- b. Greg Gordon (Town of Whitby)
- c. Karissa Palinka (City of Oshawa)
- d. Matthew Cannon (City of Oshawa)
- e. Rochelle Fleming (City of Pickering)

7.3 It is recommended that the five applicants, outlined in Attachment #1, be selected by members of the Works Committee for appointment to the Energy from Waste-Waste Management Advisory Committee.

7.4 For additional information, contact: Gioseph Anello, Director, Waste Management Services, at 905-668-7711, extension 3445.

8. Attachments

Attachment #1: Regional Municipality of Durham Table of Recommended Applicants to the 2023 to 2024 – Term Six EFW-WMAC

Attachment #2: Municipality of Clarington Resolution #GG-013-23 dated January 23, 2023, for the appointment of EFW-WMAC members to the next term (2023 to 2024 – Term Six)

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by:

John Presta, P.Eng., MPA
Commissioner of Works

Recommended for Presentation to Committee

Original signed by:

Elaine C. Baxter-Trahair
Chief Administrative Officer

**Recommended Applicants to the 2022 – 2023 Term Six of the
Energy from Waste–Waste Management Advisory Committee (EFW–WMAC)**

Name	Municipality	Committee Experience	Practical Experience	Other Information
Ginette Best	Town of Whitby	Yes	Yes	Environmental Science Technology - Durham College Environmental Advisor – IBM Program Owner for IBM's Waste program Experience with ISO 14001 Implements waste programs at various IBM locations in Canada Knowledge of Office Waste and Hazardous Waste, and Environmental Legislation.
Greg Gordon	Town of Whitby	Yes	Yes	Professional Engineer – Mechanical Engineering Water and Wastewater experience Ontario Power Generation and Kinectrics Received Award for waste diversion — low-cost diversion with high impact Advisory Board Work – Product development input for integrated inspection technology Direct experience with energy production
Karissa Palinka	City of Oshawa	Yes	Yes	Root Cause Evaluator, Performance Improvement – OPG PNGs Technical Engineer, Design Engineering – OPG DNNP Section Manager – Performance Engineering – OPG M.ENG (Thesis), Nuclear Engineering (publication 2022) (Ontario Tech University) BSc, Chemical Engineering (Queen's University)

**Recommended Applicants to the 2022 – 2023 Term Six of the
Energy from Waste–Waste Management Advisory Committee (EFW–WMAC)**

Name	Municipality	Committee Experience	Practical Experience	Other Information
Matthew Cannon	City of Oshawa	No	Yes	Director, Facilities Operations and Business Development – Lakeridge Health Bachelor of Engineering and Applied Science – Mechanical Engineering, University of Ontario Institute of Technology Association of Energy Engineer – Certified Energy Manager, CEM
Rochelle Fleming	City of Pickering	Yes	Yes	Bachelor of Sc. Ed (on-going) Teaching in Higher Learning Certificate (on-going) Environmental Technology Advanced Diploma – Centennial College



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January 24, 2023

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Energy from Waste - Waste Management Committee
Via Email: melodee.smart@durham.ca; efw-wmac@durham.ca

To Melodee Smart:

Re: Appointments to the Energy from Waste - Waste Management Committee

File Number: AA.18.03 Energy from Waste - Waste Management Committee

Please be advised that, at the January 23, 2023, Council Meeting, resolution #GG-013-23 was approved; an excerpt of the resolution is as follows:

That the following individuals be appointed to the Energy from Waste – Waste Management Advisory Committee for a term ending December 31, 2024, or until a successor is appointed:

Cara Des Granges
Philip Haylock
Tenzin Shomar
Jim Vinson

Please find enclosed the applications for the appointed citizens so that you may contact them regarding meeting dates and times. The applicants have already been notified by us that their application to the Committee was successful.

Yours truly,



John Paul Newman
Deputy Clerk

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Encl.

c. L. Patenaude, Committee Coordinator