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The Regional Municipality of Durham

Energy from Waste – Waste Management Advisory Committee Minutes

Tuesday, November 25, 2025

A regular meeting of the Energy from Waste – Waste Management Advisory Committee was held on Tuesday, November 25, 2025 in Whitby Room, First Floor, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, Ontario at 7:03 PM

G. Baswick assumed the Chair.

1. Roll Call

Electronic participation was offered for this meeting.
* indicates individuals who participated electronically.

Members

Present: G. Baswick, Clarington, Chair
M. Brennan*, Oshawa, Vice-Chair
R. Fleming*, Pickering
G. Gordon, Whitby
M. Hewitt, Oshawa
A. Mohan, Pickering
P. Panchal*, Clarington
G. Rowden, Clarington
D. Spaeth*, Clarington

Members

Absent: None

Non-Voting Members

Present: N. Ratnasingam*, L. Saha, D. San Juan*, N. Victor

Staff Present: S. Ciani, R. Inacio*, N. Williams

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

3. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by A. Mohan, Seconded by G. Gordon,
That the minutes of the regular Energy from Waste – Waste Management Advisory Committee (EFW-WMAC) meeting held on Tuesday, September 23, 2025, be adopted.

Carried

4. Presentations

There were no presentations.

5. Delegations

There were no delegations.

6. Correspondence

There were no correspondence items to consider.

7. Administrative Matters

- A) Update by Andrew Evans, Director, Waste Management Services, The Regional Municipality of Durham, regarding EFW-WMAC (2025 – 2026) Work Plan – Next Steps
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The Committee had nothing to share with respect to next steps for the EFW-WMAC (2025 – 2026) Work Plan.

- B) Update by Glenn Baswick, EFW-WMAC Chair, regarding the finalization and presentation of the EFW-WMAC 2025 Annual Report for Presentation to Durham Region's Works Committee and the Municipality for Clarington's Council in December 2025
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G. Baswick referenced pages 7 to 8 of the annual report regarding the EFW-WMAC moving forward into 2026.

It was the consensus of the Committee to approve the EFW-WMAC 2025 Annual Report for presentation to the Works Committee and the Municipality of Clarington's Council in December.

8. Other Business

- A) Update by Andrew Evans, Director, Waste Management Services, the Regional Municipality Durham, regarding Durham York Energy Center (DYEC)
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In the absence of A. Evans, L. Saha advised that the voluntary source test at the DYEC was completed in October and that the results will be available in the coming months. She advised that the AMESA Q4 data collection is currently underway.

In response to a question from the Committee regarding the Region's environmental compliance assessment (ECA) submission, L. Saha advised that due to a technical issue with the online submission, the application materials are being re-submitted to the MECP.

- B) Update by Andrew Evans, Director, Waste Management Services, the Regional Municipality Durham, regarding Collection in Downtown Business Improvement Areas (BIA) Service Areas
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In the absence of A. Evans, L. Saha advised that since the September 23, 2025, EFW-WMAC meeting there have been no changes to the approach, but staff will be evaluating the recycling services for the BIA's after January 1, 2026.

C) Update by Lipika Saha, Manager, Waste Services, the Regional Municipality of Durham, regarding 2025 Community and Outreach Activities

L. Saha advised that on November 15, 2025, the Region hosted the Durham Climate Change Forum at Regional headquarters where Waste staff had the opportunity to showcase the process flows for the DYEC and the anaerobic digester (AD). She also advised that staff are receiving considerable interest from other provinces seeking to learn more about energy-from-waste facilities and DYEC's technology and processes.

L. Saha advised that staff hosted approximately 40 tours and welcomed around 800 guests to the DYEC.

L. Saha further advised that event planning is still underway for 2026, but that some activities have been confirmed including National Public Works Week (NPWW) and professional activity (PA) day events.

L. Saha responded to questions from the Committee regarding how many tours were hosted at the DYEC in 2025, and whether a second date for a DYEC tour could be held during NPWW.

9. Date of Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled EFW-WMAC meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 24, 2026 at 7:00 PM.

10. Adjournment

Moved by A. Mohan, Seconded by G. Rowden,
That the meeting be adjourned.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 7:23 PM

Respectfully submitted,

G. Baswick
Chair

S. Ciani
Committee Clerk