

Clause No. 37 in Report No. 12 of Committee of the Whole was adopted, without amendment, by the Council of The Regional Municipality of York at its meeting held on June 26, 2014.

37 SOURCE SEPARATED ORGANIC WASTE PROCESSING STRATEGY UPDATE PROJECT 71335

Committee of the Whole recommends adoption of the following recommendations contained in the report dated June 5, 2014 from the Commissioner of Environmental Services:

1. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that:

- 1. Council authorize cancelling the process of seeking proposals for design, construction and operation of a source separated organic waste processing facility at the Dufferin Eco-Energy Park site.
- 2. Council authorize the Commissioner of Environmental Services to negotiate the terms of amending agreements with existing source separated organic waste processors Orgaworld Canada or Lafleche Environmental, or both, and report back to Council for authority to execute the amending agreements.

2. PURPOSE

This report provides a project update in response to the recently adopted recommendations by Dufferin County Council that interrupt efforts for a joint York-Dufferin Source Separated Organic Waste Processing Facility and postpone development of the Dufferin Eco-Energy Park. In light of these recommendations, this report also seeks authority for the Commissioner of Environmental Services to negotiate terms of amending agreements with existing source separated organic waste processors Orgaworld Canada or Lafleche Environmental, or both.

3. BACKGROUND

Dufferin County notified York Region of its intention not to pursue a demonstration-scale facility as this time

As a result of recommendations endorsed by Dufferin County, current pursuit of a Region-owned facility has been interrupted. Dufferin County's Council recommendations are as follows:

- a) Staff be directed to notify York Region that Dufferin County will not be pursuing the agreement for a demonstration-scale facility at this time;
- b) Dufferin County continue to monitor opportunities for the Dufferin Eco-Energy Park site; and,
- c) Staff be directed to pursue opportunities with existing southern Ontario waste processing facilities as an alternative solution for Dufferin County waste, beyond the current contracts.

A copy of the Dufferin County Community Development Committee Agenda, Report and Minutes for their meeting held on May 27, 2014 is appended to this report for reference *(see Attachment 1)*.

After a decade of promotion of the Dufferin Eco-Energy Park, challenges continue to attract sufficient suitable developers to the site

Dufferin County has actively pursued development of the Dufferin Eco-Energy Park to develop an integrated system to help address Dufferin County's solid waste processing needs within an agricultural and renewable energy setting. In addition to the York-Dufferin Source Separated Organic Waste Processing Facility project, Dufferin County had been working to develop a waste-to-energy project and a second organic waste processing project. Unfortunately, both projects did not proceed and Dufferin County has found it challenging to attract other potential developers.

Contracts with Orgaworld Canada and Lafleche Environmental currently provide full processing of York Region's source separated organic waste

In 2013, York Region generated 94,591 tonnes of source separated organic waste. York Region's source separated organic waste is currently processed at Orgaworld Canada's composting facility in London, Ontario, and Lafleche Environmental's composting facility in Moose Creek, Ontario. York Region has successfully processed all of its source separated organic waste since Lafleche's facility expansion was completed in August 2013.

To accommodate the proposed York-Dufferin facility, Orgaworld's maximum tonnage is scheduled to decrease from 80,000 to 60,000 tonnes per year on June 30, 2016.

Lafleche's contract is also scheduled to expire on June 1, 2016 to free an additional 40,000 tonnes per year. The combined capacity decrease of 60,000 tonnes per year was intended to free sufficient capacity for York Region to pursue the full-scale facility option if required. York Region's existing organics contract commitments are summarized in Table 1.

Table 1				
Existing York Region Source Separated Organic Waste Processing Contracts				
Contract	Minimum Annual Tonnage	Maximum Annual Tonnage	Expiration Date	Expiration Date with Optional Extensions
Orgaworld (Current)	56,000	80,000	June 30, 2016	N/A
Orgaworld (Reduced)	35,000	60,000	June 28, 2022	June 28, 2027
Lafleche	25,000	40,000	June 1, 2016	June 1, 2017

As of May 17, 2014, the year-to-date average cost per tonne for transportation and processing, including fuel surcharges, is \$126.31 per tonne at Orgaworld and \$142.52 per tonne at Lafleche. Both prices are subject to annual adjustment based on the *Consumer Price Index*. The difference in price between Orgaworld and Lafleche is attributed primarily to the difference in transportation costs resulting from the greater distance to the Lafleche facility.

4. ANALYSIS AND OPTIONS

Market research indicates preference for a larger-scale organics facility to realize economies of scale and underscores need to balance innovation and risk tolerance considerations

Recent interviews with potential organics facility developers confirm that there continues to be interest in the market to design, build and operate a Region-owned source separated organic waste processing facility but not for all facility development scenarios. Key information gained from these discussions included the following:

- Not all potential contractors confirmed their ability to deliver a demonstration-scale facility within the current \$16.1 million 2014 capital budget.
- There was a preference for higher demonstration-scale processing capacity (15,000 to 25,000 tonnes per year).
- Potential contractors would like the ability to innovate including a preference for performance-based specifications over prescriptive technical specifications.

Limited interest by potential contractors in developing demonstration-scale facility

The overall message from potential contractors was that there was less interest or ability to deliver a demonstration-scale facility, within the allocated 2014 Capital Budget affordability constraints. The last bullet point above reflects the desire of potential contractors to have flexibility to reduce the project scope to be able to respond to the budget constraints while being financially competitive. In doing so, it is understood that there is an assumption and transfer of added risk that requires further investigation.

Underlying business objectives of Dufferin Eco-Energy Park requires more than a full-scale York-Dufferin facility

Dufferin County's concept for the Eco-Energy Park was based on the investment leveraging potential of the lands due to their recognized suitability for siting waste processing and energy projects. The Dufferin Eco-Energy Park business case also hinged on the short-term cost recovery of initial capital investment and long-term cost-neutral waste processing.

The prospect of having only one development realized at the Dufferin Eco-Energy Park reduces the overall return on the capital site servicing investment to below what was anticipated. In addition, only the full-scale development of the York-Dufferin source separated organic waste processing facility offered Dufferin County the potential to fully offset the cost of processing through a "local community royalty." The demonstration-scale options would require Dufferin County to contribute a net amount toward the cost of processing and thereby further erode Dufferin County's underlying business objectives in establishing the Dufferin Eco-Energy Park.

Based on this evaluation, Dufferin County Council endorsed the recommendations that effectively end the current development of the Dufferin Eco-Energy Park and the demonstration-scale York-Dufferin source separated organic waste processing facility project.

Revised strategy will address facility siting, development options, market conditions and fundamental business objectives

The Dufferin Eco-Energy Park site was a fundamental component of the Region's recommendation and strategy to pursue a Region-owned facility. A Functional Servicing Study, prepared for the site, informed and framed discussions for its development and the recent market investigation. In the absence of the Dufferin site, York Region will need to take a renewed and broader look at its options, current market conditions, and fundamental business objectives. Activities currently being pursued by staff continue to be relevant in informing a future procurement process.

Region staff reached out to the Ontario Ministry of the Environment and the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture to better understand the approvability and implications of some solutions that had not previously been considered. This activity is proceeding and will include a review of applicable regulations.

Region staff also reviewed the recently commissioned Disco Road anaerobic digestion facility on several occasions and plans to continue to monitor the performance and emergence of any issues at this site. Other facilities that are being built or have recently been built will be reviewed to gain insights into the technology, project delivery strategies and lessons learned. Facilities that are using new approaches as well as proven technologies representing the different categories of organics processing solutions will also be reviewed.

Following recent market interviews, staff held a second workshop to review findings and discuss project definition in light of new information and corresponding risk profiles. These risk and scope definition workshops will continue as further investigation and visits are carried out.

Orgaworld and Lafleche are currently the only large-scale Ontario merchant facilities licensed to process York Region's organic waste stream

York Region and the City of Toronto are currently the only Ontario municipalities that accept diapers, sanitary products and pet waste in their organics programs. Until recently, the majority of York Region and Toronto's organic waste streams was processed at Orgaworld and Lafleche, which are currently the only large-scale merchant facilities licensed to process this type of material.

In fall 2013, Toronto started commissioning the Disco Road Organics Processing Facility, a municipally owned anaerobic digester with an annual processing capacity of approximately 75,000 tonnes per year. York Region staff understands that a portion of the tonnage processed at the new Disco Road facility has been redirected from Orgaworld and Lafleche. Both facilities have expressed an interest in entering into a long-term agreement with York Region for processing additional tonnage.

New Eastern Ontario Bio-Energy Centre near Havelock to provide more than 262,000 tonnes of annual anaerobic digestion capacity

In April 2013, the Ministry of the Environment issued a Renewable Energy Approval to PurEnergy Inc., to develop an anaerobic digestion facility near Havelock, Ontario with a maximum annual processing capacity of 262,000 tonnes per year. The proposed Eastern Ontario Bio-Energy Centre will accept both source separated organic material and mixed solid waste, which will be pre-processed to remove inorganic contaminants prior to digestion. The facility will reportedly break ground within the next year and accept waste materials from both municipal and commercial sector customers. The conditions of the Renewable Energy Approval would allow this facility to accept York Region's source separated organic waste.

Although the proposed Eastern Ontario Bio-Energy Centre represents a significant potential opportunity, it will be at least two to three years before the facility has been commissioned and operated for a sufficient period of time to demonstrate its long-term stability. Staff will continue to monitor the progress of this project.

Recommended contract strategy combines long-term stability with flexibility to pursue future opportunities

York Region's processing contracts with Orgaworld and Lafleche have been structured to make tonnage available to the York-Dufferin facility beginning in June 2016. If construction of a Region-owned source separated organic waste processing facility is deferred, York Region will need to secure additional merchant capacity to satisfy its intermediate to long-term processing needs. Staff recommends that the Commissioner of Environmental Services be authorized to negotiate with Orgaworld or Lafleche, or both, to amend the existing contracts. The goal of contract negotiations will be to secure 120,000 tonnes of annual processing capacity as currently provided by York Region's contracts with Orgaworld and Lafleche through June 2027 and to add 10,000 tonnes of additional annual processing capacity to accommodate future growth.

The amended agreements would consist of an initial term through to June 2020, plus three optional two-year extensions and one optional one-year extension. The proposed contract strategy would secure proven processing capacity for York Region's entire source separated organic waste stream over the period coinciding with the original Orgaworld agreement while providing sufficient flexibility to allow York Region to pursue future opportunities such as:

- Construction of a Region-owned facility, either alone or in partnership with other municipalities or private sector partners, at a future time when a suitable site has been identified and budgetary constraints are diminished.
- New contract opportunities that may arise over the period covered by the amended Orgaworld and Lafleche contracts.

Solid waste staff will complete a strategic assessment of available long-term options for source separated organic waste processing. The strategic assessment will recommend preferred alternatives based on a detailed review of emerging processing technologies, partnership opportunities and due diligence reviews of existing processing sites.

Amending agreements with Orgaworld and Lafleche to fit within prescribed limits that are compatible with current budget and available tonnage

Any agreements negotiated by the Commissioner of Environmental Services would be subject to the following constraints:

- Orgaworld's existing agreement would remain in place until June 2022, with an option to extend until June 2027 in accordance with the original contract.
- Amending agreements for additional tonnage at Orgaworld, or Lafleche, or both, would be subject to the contract terms and optional extension terms outlined in this report.
- The combined maximum annual tonnages under the amending agreement(s) and Orgaworld's existing agreement will not exceed 130,000 tonnes per year.
- Combined minimum annual tonnages under the amending agreement(s) and Orgaworld's existing agreement will not exceed 85,000 tonnes per year.
- Unit pricing under the amending agreements shall not exceed current unit pricing for each contract. Prices shall be subject to annual adjustments based on the *Consumer Price Index* and fuel surcharges in accordance with the existing agreements.

The proposed contract strategy is summarized in Table 2.

Table 2					
2014 — 2027 Proposed Source Separated Organic Waste Processing Strategy					
Year	Existing Orgaworld Maximum Tonnage ¹	Existing Lafleche Maximum Tonnage ²	Additional Capacity Under Amending Agreement(s)	Combined Maximum Capacity ³	Projected Tonnage Generation⁴
2014	80,000	40,000		120,000	98,290
2015	80,000	40,000		120,000	99,627
2016	70,000	20,000	35,000	125,000	102,138
2017	60,000		70,000	130,000	103,368
2018	60,000		70,000	130,000	104,576
2019	60,000		70,000	130,000	105,763
2020	60,000		70,000	130,000	106,928
2021	60,000		70,000	130,000	108,063
2022	60,000		70,000	130,000	108,943
2023	60,000		70,000	130,000	109,804
2024	60,000		70,000	130,000	110,645
2025	60,000		70,000	130,000	111,467
2026	60,000		70,000	130,000	112,265
2027	30,000		35,000	65,000	112,734

1. Orgaworld 2016 tonnage based on half year at 80,000 tonnes and half year at 60,000 tonnes.

2. Lafleche 2016 tonnage assumes that York Region does not exercise the one-year optional extension on the existing agreement, and the previous agreement lapses in June 2016.

3. Combined maximum capacity for 2027 reflects the end of the existing Orgaworld contract and the proposed amending contracts in June 2027. New processing options will need to be secured for the second half of 2027 and beyond.

4. Projected annual tonnages based on per-capita tonnage reduction goals as outlined in the Integrated Waste Management Master Plan.

Tonnage split to achieve optimal balance between price, availability, and need for contingency processing

Staff recommends negotiation of tonnages and pricing to occur concurrently with Orgaworld and Lafleche to achieve the best overall value for York Region. Although Orgaworld currently provides a lower unit price than Lafleche, York Region should maintain a significant amount of capacity at both facilities, even if Orgaworld is able to provide all of the required capacity at a lower price. Maintaining contracts with two processors ensures that some capacity remains available in the event of a service interruption. Tonnages at Orgaworld and Lafleche will also be subject to availability.

Link to Key Council-approved Plans

The recommended actions detailed in this report support York Region's 2011 to 2015 Strategic Plan to continue to deliver and sustain critical infrastructure by providing options that support managed growth and optimize community benefit through partnerships with all levels of government to facilitate the delivery of environmentally sustainable infrastructure.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

As a result of recommendations endorsed by Dufferin County, current pursuit of a Region-owned facility has been interrupted along with planned and budgeted activities reflected in the 2014 Capital Budget. Going forward, capital requirements will be reassessed in light of a revised strategy to be considered as part of the proposed 2015 Multi-year Capital Budget.

Per-tonne cost of processing source separated organic waste to remain at current levels under amended Orgaworld and Lafleche contracts

Negotiations for the amended agreement(s) will be based on current contract unit pricing plus annual CPI increases and fuel escalation. Staff anticipates containing medium term source separated organic operating costs as a result of this proposed strategy. In the event that a lower cost alternative becomes available in the future, York Region could choose not to exercise its optional contract extensions.

Processing capacity to be obtained through amending agreements includes an extension of York Region's current base contract capacity of 120,000 tonnes per year plus an additional 10,000 tonnes per year to accommodate future growth. Estimated base capacity and growth capacity values are summarized in Table 3. Actual values will depend on final negotiated pricing and tonnage. Staff will report back to Council for authority to execute the amending agreements.

First Year of the Amending A	Annual Tonnage	Average Unit Price (\$/Tonne) ¹	Annual Value ²
Extension of existing base capacity	120,000	\$139	\$16,680,000
Additional growth capacity	10,000	\$139	\$1,390,000
Total	130,000		\$18,070,000

Table 3Estimated Annual Base Capacity and Growth Capacity Values inFirst Year of the Amending Agreements (June 2016 to June 2017)

1. Average price assumes continuation of current unit pricing plus three per cent increase per year to account for inflation adjustments and fuel surcharges. Assumes maximum capacities for Orgaworld and Lafleche of 90,000 tonnes per year and 40,000 tonnes per year, respectively.

2. For illustration purposes only. Actual values will depend on final negotiated pricing and tonnage.

Base capacity shown in Table 3 includes 60,000 tonnes secured through June 2027 under the existing Orgaworld agreement and 60,000 tonnes of Orgaworld and Lafleche capacity previously intended to be transferred to the York-Dufferin facility in June 2016.

6. LOCAL MUNICIPAL IMPACT

Nine local municipalities in partnership with York Region have committed to implementing source separated organic waste collection programs throughout York Region. Over the last five years, diversion has been impacted by shortage of stable, reliable third-party processing capacity for York Region's organic waste stream. Additional third-party processing contracts have recently been secured with the goal of maximizing diversion of organic material from landfill. York Region staff will continue to keep local municipal staff informed of the status of third-party organics processors and longer-term goal of Regional infrastructure ownership.

7. CONCLUSION

While commitment to a full-scale Region-owned source separated organic waste processing facility is a key part of the long-term strategy for balancing out reliance on third-party processing, the upcoming time period can be effectively used to continue investigating solutions, reviewing facilities and monitoring the market. During this period, third-party processing contracts can address the processing needs of York Region.

For more information on this report, please contact Mike Rabeau, Director, Capital Planning and Delivery, Environmental Services at 905-830-4444 Ext. 75157 or Laura McDowell, Director, Environmental Promotion and Protection, Environmental Services at 905-830-4444 Ext. 75077.

The Senior Management Group has reviewed this report.

Attachment (1)



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AGENDA

Tuesday May 27, 2014, 7:30 p.m. 55 Zina Street, Orangeville – Sutton Room (2nd Floor)

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest by Members

QUESTION PERIOD

Members of the public will be provided an opportunity to ask questions of the Committee during this time. (Limited to 10 minutes)

REPORTS

1. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – May 27, 2014 – ITEM #1 <u>DEEP Update – Proposed Dufferin/York SSO Facility – May 2014</u>

A report from the Director of Public Works dated May 27, 2014 to provide Committee and Council with an update on the proposed Dufferin/York Source Separated Organics Facility.

Recommendation:

THAT Report, DEEP Update – Proposed Dufferin/York SSO Facility – May 2014, from the Director of Public Works and County Engineer, dated May 27, 2014, be received;

AND THAT Staff be directed to notify York Region that the County will not be pursuing the agreement for a demonstration-scale organics facility at this time;

AND THAT the County postpone development of the DEEP until such time that technology and provincial political support are conducive to the project and continue to monitor opportunities for the site;

AND THAT Staff be directed to pursue opportunities with existing southern Ontario waste processing facilities as a long term solution for Dufferin County waste, beyond the current Contracts.

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DISCUSSION ITEM

2. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – May 27, 2014 – ITEM #2 Recycling Styrofoam-Discussion Item

A discussion on recycling Styrofoam-requested by Councillor Kolodziechuk.

Next Meeting:To be Determined:55 Zina Street, Orangeville – Sutton Room



REPORT TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

To:Chair Oosterhof and Members of CommitteeFrom:Scott C. Burns, Director of Public Works and County EngineerMeeting Date:Tuesday, May 27, 2014Subject:DEEP Update – Proposed Dufferin/York SSO Facility – May 2014

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide Committee and Council with an update on the proposed Dufferin/York Source Separated Organics Facility and to provide recommendations for waste processing moving forward.

Background

Over the past decade, the County of Dufferin has investigated developing facilities to process waste locally. The intended site is known as the Dufferin Eco-Energy Park (DEEP) and is located in northeast Grand Valley. Several technologies have been pursued for the project, including; gasification to produce energy from waste, anaerobic digestion for a bio-gas to energy facility and a Source Separated Organics (SSO) Facility in partnership with York Region.

Of the proponents originally pursuing the project, only York Region remains. From the time that all other parties officially withdrew from the project, the Community Development Committee has offered an open door for those interested in presenting ideas for waste processing at the DEEP. To date, only one presentation has been made, leaving York Region as the final remaining proponent for the development.

An initial Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with York Region was executed in July 2007 for a full-scale SSO facility. This MOU has since expired. The MOU spoke to a full-scale organics processing facility with capacity of 70,000 to 100,000 tonnes/year. Per this agreement, the County of Dufferin was responsible for capital costs associated with external site servicing and the full re-alignment of the Amaranth-Grand Valley Townline road. This road realignment was a requirement of developing the DEEP project in its entirety. These capital costs were estimated in the range of \$2,400,000. With respect to material processing, the intent of the Agreement was that Dufferin's organic material would be processed at no cost to the County. This was due to a 2.5% royalty paid by York to Dufferin for being a willing host for the facility.

by no-cost organics processing resulted in an approximate payback period of six years on the initial \$ 2,400,000 capital investment incurred by the County.

In early May 2014, County staff were provided with a revised MOU from York Region. Principles of the revised MOU are similar to the 2007 version, with some exceptions.

Primary changes are as follows and further detail is provided where felt necessary:

- 1. The facility is proposed as a demonstration-scale capacity of 20,000 tonnes/year with potential for future phased increases to a maximum of 100,000 tonnes/year. The timeline for expansion is unknown and no commitments have been made.
- 2. Capital costs for all internal/external work is shared 85% York and 15% Dufferin.
- 3. The full realignment of the Amaranth-Grand Valley Townline is not triggered by the proposed demonstration-scale facility. The full realignment is associated with further development of the DEEP site. For the proposed demonstration-scale facility, only improvements to the affected portion of the existing Townline would be required at this time.
- 4. Dufferin's organic waste is no longer processed at no cost to the County.
- 5. York Region will cover costs associated with any Request for Proposal.

In line with the revised MOU, staff discussed capital, operational and processing costs associated with the revised proposal for a demonstration-scale facility. A costing model was then provided, at a staff level, and explores scenarios for capital and operational expenses. As noted above, all costs are shared 85% York and 15% Dufferin. This represents a capital cost to the County of approximately \$2,300,000 for works associated with servicing, road improvements along the existing Amaranth-Grand Valley Townline and the proposed demonstration-scale facility itself. Road improvements for the proposed demonstration-scale facility are separate and unique of costs associated with the full realignment of the Amaranth-Grand Valley Townline, which would be required should the DEEP site ever be fully developed. These additional potential future costs would be triggered by further development at the site, beyond the proposed demonstration-scale SSO facility and have been estimated to be approximately \$1,400,000. This \$1,400,000 is above what is being considered in current agreements and discussions and is a potential future cost for the DEEP project.

Another significant change related to County expenditure is the cost for material processing at the proposed 20,000 tonne/year demonstration-scale facility. Through the 2007 MOU, the County held approximately 2.5% to 3.5% of the total full-scale facility capacity, with an approximate contribution of 2,500 tonnes of organic material annually. The cost for processing this material was offset by the 2.5% royalty paid to Dufferin, by York Region. This resulted in a no-cost material processing scenario for Dufferin County. Dufferin's current and projected 3,000 to 3,500 annual tonnes of organic material represents a much larger proportion (15% to 17.5%) of the proposed demonstration-scale facility and can no longer be processed at no cost to the County. The cost of processing, including the offset from the 2.5% royalty paid by York, is now

estimated to be in the range of \$140+ per tonne. This is a higher cost than what is currently being paid for processing of Dufferin's organic material (\$130/tonne) and no longer provides a payback period on the initial capital investment as originally intended.

Based on the above, lack of vendor interest in the project and current Provincial positions, such as waste not being considered a renewable resource, staff recommend pursuing opportunities with existing southern Ontario waste material processing facilities as a long term solution for Dufferin's waste. Capacity exists with several facilities and Dufferin represents a very small proportion of overall material produced by adjacent municipalities with approximately 6,400 tonnes of garbage, 6,200 tonnes of recyclables and 3,000 tonnes of organics per year. Staff advise that this is very likely the most cost effective solution to maintain the environmentally responsible outlook that Dufferin County holds for dealing with waste.

Local Municipal Impact

Moving forward with an existing Ontario waste processing solution will not create additional truck traffic associated with importation of waste into Dufferin County.

Financial Impact

Costs for processing Dufferin County's waste will be considered in future budgets.

Recommendation

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AND THAT Staff be directed to pursue opportunities with existing southern Ontario waste processing facilities as a long term solution for Dufferin County waste, beyond the current Contracts.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Original signed by,

Scott C. Burns, P.Eng., C.E.T. Director of Public Works and County Engineer



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Tuesday, May 27, 2014

The Committee met at 7:30 p.m. in the Sutton Room, 55 Zina Street, Orangeville

Members Present:	Councillor John Oosterhof, Chair Warden Bill Hill Councillor Darren White Councillor Walter Kolodziechuk, (Member from Amaranth) Janice Elliott, (Member from Melancthon) Ed Kroeker (Public Member) Sharon Smith (Public Member) Winston Uytenbogaart (Public Member)
Members Absent:	Councillor Ken Bennington Steve Soloman (Member from Grand Valley)
Staff Present:	Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer Scott Burns, Director of Public Works Pam Hillock, Director of Corporate Services/Clerk

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest by Members - None

QUESTION PERIOD

No members of the public were in attendance.

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Moved by Councillor Elliott, seconded by Ed Kroeker,

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DISCUSSION ITEM

2. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – May 27, 2014 – ITEM #2 <u>Recycling Styrofoam-Discussion Item</u>

The Committee discussed recycling Styrofoam. Sharon Smith reported that Durham Region is collecting Styrofoam. Staff undertook to investigate what other municipalities are doing and the options for the disposal/recycling of Styrofoam.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Next Meeting:	Date:	To be determined:
		55 Zina Street, Orangeville

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor John Oosterhof, Chair Community Development Committee