

Municipal District of Bonnyville No. 87

Action Request

Meeting: Committee of the Whole Meeting
Meeting Date: February 21, 2023
Originated By: Brad Ollen, Manager of Waste Services
Title: Bin Site Notifications Update

PROPOSAL

In September of 2022, Administration received the first of two Notice of Non-Compliance letters from the Regulatory Approvals Center of Alberta Environment and Parks (AEP) stating the M.D. of Bonnyville had failed to provide notification for the construction and operation of a storage site. The site in question was the new Riverhurst bin site. It was Alberta Environment's opinion that our community bin sites in the M.D. met the definition of a waste management storage site, as per Section 4 c. of the Activities Designation Regulation and Section 1(ii) of the Waste Control Regulation. The letters stated that the M.D. "will immediately provide Notification of a Waste Management Storage Site to the Director for the proposed storage site" and that notification "shall be provided to the Director for all existing storage sites" operated by the M.D. of Bonnyville.

DISCUSSION

Following consultation with legal counsel, Administration has decided to submit notifications required for all of the bin sites, as per the requests from Alberta Environment and Parks.

The advantages to following through with this are that we will be compliant with AEP regulations and therefore we will be able to move forward with the new Riverhurst bin site construction in 2023.

The disadvantage to the notifications classifying our bin sites as Waste Management Storage Sites is now there would be regulatory requirements when determining the siting of one of these facilities. The Subdivision Development Regulation prohibits the issuance of a permit for a waste management storage site within 300 meters of a property line of a school, hospital, or residence and as such, this would need to be considered for future projects.

The new Riverhurst Bin Site is designed for and will meet this 300-meter setback requirement.

REFERENCE TO STRATEGIC PLAN

The Municipal District of Bonnyville will be a leader and innovator in local municipal governance, services, and economic prosperity.

REFERENCE TO PROVINCIAL/FEDERAL LEGISLATION

There are references to the Subdivision Development Regulation AR212/95, the Activities Designation Regulation AR276/2003, and the Waste Control Regulation AR192/96.

BUDGET IMPACTS

N/A

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Committee accepts the Bin Site Notification Update as information.

OPTIONS

1. THAT the Committee accepts the Bin Site Notification Update as information.
2. THAT the Committee requests Administration to bring back additional information regarding the Bin Site Notification Update to a future meeting, as discussed.

Report Approval Details

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

Stephanie Severin