

**Request for Decision**

**United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria  
Municipal Council**

<b>Type of Decision</b>									
<b>Meeting Date</b>	<b>Friday, April 26, 2013</b>				<b>Report Date</b>	<b>Tuesday, April-16-13</b>			
<b>Decision Required</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>Yes</b>		<b>No</b>	<b>Priority</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>High</b>		<b>Low</b>
<b>Direction</b>	<b>x</b>	<b>Information Only</b>			<b>Type of Meeting</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>Open</b>		<b>Closed</b>
<b>REPORT TITLE</b>									
<b>Waste Management Report #26/04/13/1201</b>									

**Subject:** Review of the Municipal Waste Management By-law/ Program and data upon completion of the 2012 Datacall. Defer tipping fee increase. Housekeeping – remove inaccurate aspects of by-law and/or correct errors.

**RECOMMENDATION:** That Council receive the attached as information and pass the attached resolution deferring the increase to tipping fees indefinitely.

**WHEREAS** the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria felt it was prudent to actively manage waste being generated and disposed of within the municipality with the passage of By-Law 2011-21 wherein tipping fees were implemented;

**AND WHEREAS** statistics have shown that the current by-law, program and plan have significantly reduced the volume of waste being generated and disposed of in the municipal landfill;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria does hereby agree to suspend indefinitely the fee increase from \$1 per bag for household garbage to \$2 per bag as described in Schedule “F” of that by-law.

**AND FURTHER THAT** the by law be amended as follows:

1. In clause 3.05 the word “there” is replaced with the word “their”;
2. In clause 9.01 the word “municipality” is replaced with the word “municipal”;
3. In clause 11.01 the word “or” is inserted between the words “By-law” and “other”
4. In Schedule “F” the words \$2/bag for 2013” be removed;
5. In Schedule “G” the words “are the same year round” be replaced with the words “vary during the winter months of January, February and March”;
6. In Schedule “K” clause #4 be removed and replaced with the following “In order to facilitate the payment of tipping fees, bags self-hauled to the disposal site will require bag tags. Extra bag tags may be purchased at the Municipal office during regular office hours.”

**BACKGROUND/EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:** Self-explanatory. To date the volume of garbage has decreased, the volume of recyclables has increased. At this time it is not evident that simply increasing the fee per bag will have any effect on this trend. Of course, Council always retains the right to revisit this situation should new information/data become available.

Notes to charts:

1. Disposal Site Revenues includes all sources and all materials, not just bags of waste.
2. Recycling contract costs include costs for dismantling and recycling of mattresses to reduce space in cells.
3. July 2008 was the year that keys were collected from businesses and all waste was then accounted for.
4. Annual Cost of Waste Management includes special projects and capital costs. 2008 included grant funds for Bear Wise program and the initial installation of bear fencing.
5. Bags of garbage fluctuate seasonally as well as depending of work projects throughout the municipality. Over the past number of years we have had tree planting projects, mine clean up, pipeline clean up etc. All of this material is deposited in our sites.

**Options/Discussion:**

**Financial Considerations/Budget Impact:** Varied.

**Policy Impact:** Council has the prerogative to amend the Schedules to the by-law.

**Other's consulted:** Attached letter from Todd Dowser, Morning Mist.

**Resources:** Datacall and stats compiled by staff. Thank you for your diligence in refining reporting processes/forms to more accurately reflect reality.

**Approved and Recommended by the Clerk**

Melinda Reith,  
Municipal Clerk

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April 26 Meeting



