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**Brady Road Resource Management Facility (BRRMF)
Community Liaison Committee**

Meeting #21

Date: Wednesday, November 1, 2023, 4:45-7:30

Location: Admin Building, 1777 Brady Road, Brady Road Resource Management Facility

Attending:

<i>GI—Glen Irvine</i>	<i>RM Macdonald ward 2 (elected)</i>
<i>DO—Dave Olinyk</i>	<i>Richmond West</i>
<i>SB—Sonja Bridges</i>	<i>Environment and Climate Change, Prov of MB</i>
<i>JF—Jacquie Field</i>	<i>Fort Richmond</i>
<i>SP—Shane Pelletier</i>	<i>RM Richot (elected)</i>
<i>SG—Sean Gallagher</i>	<i>Ladco Company Ltd (guest)</i>
<i>MN—Myrrhanda Novak</i>	<i>South Point (meeting only)</i>
<i>WD—William Dowie</i>	<i>Green Action Centre</i>
<i>JG—Jason Greenall</i>	<i>RM Richot (meeting only)</i>
<i>JS—Jeff Scott</i>	<i>Southwood Golf and Country Club</i>
<i>DB—Darlene Boettcher</i>	<i>Charleswood</i>
<i>JB—Janine Boulanger</i>	<i>RM Richot (elected) guest</i>
<i>CK—Chris Kozak</i>	<i>City of Winnipeg Superintendent of Operations</i>
<i>MK—Michelle Kuly</i>	<i>Facilitator, Blueprint Inc</i>
<i>SBO—Sonia Busca Owczar</i>	<i>Note taker, Blueprint Inc</i>

Agenda:

4:45-4:50 pm	Brady CLC Group Photo
4:50-6:00 pm	Tour
6:00-6:20 pm	Light meal and recognition of ten years of committee member service
6:20-7:20 pm	Brady CLC Meeting
	1. Land and water acknowledgment
	2. Meeting opening, reflections on tour
	3. Ten-year committee anniversary retrospective
	4. Review of action items from Spring 2023 meeting
	5. Regular Updates
	6. MMIWG and connection to committee purpose
	7. Member survey results and CLC membership review
6:20-7:30	New Business, action item review, adjourn

Meeting Objectives:

- Receive updates on activities, projects and programs at Brady
- Identify issues or concerns at Brady with impact on local environment and measures to mitigate them.



Meeting Notes:

1. Land and Water Acknowledgement

Winnipeg is located in Treaty One Territory, the home and traditional lands of the Anishinaabe (Ojibwe), Ininew (Cree), and Dakota peoples, and in the National Homeland of the Red River Métis. Our drinking water comes from Shoal Lake 40 First Nation, in Treaty Three Territory.

2. Meeting Opening/Reflections on Tour

MK welcomed participants. Regrets have been received from Alison MacIntyre (University of Manitoba) and Doug Dobrowolski, (RM Macdonald).

Purpose of the Community Liaison Committee reviewed:

To provide advice and feedback on:

- the development of a landscaping plans for physical and visual buffers from Brady operations.
- the extent and frequency of noise and odour monitoring.
- the measures to mitigate the impact of construction on the local environment.
- the measures to mitigate the impact of operational activities on the local environment.

Meeting Guidelines reviewed:

- Participation
- Active Listening
- Parking Lot use
- Respect and Kindness

Members were positive about the opportunity to tour the facility, stating that more is learned each time a tour is attended.

3. Ten-year Anniversary Retrospective

The following members were recognised and thanked for their service to the Brady Community Liaison Committee since its inception ten years ago:

Jeff Scott, Southwood Golf and Country Club
William Downy, Green Action Centre
Micheal Carruthers, Ladco Company Ltd
Sonja Bridges, Environment and Climate Change
Darlene Boettcher, Charleswood
Dave Olinyk, Richmond West
Michelle Kuly, Facilitator, Blueprint Inc

Reflections from committee members about the past decade:
DB—progress has been made on the treatment of methane gas.
The way cells are built has evolved.
The yard waste/compost program has expanded significantly.



WD—The yard waste program is a great resource that Winnipeggers can be proud of. Thanks to the City of Winnipeg staff for treating this committee with respect.

SB—It is a privilege to work with members of this committee. There is always something new to learn.

DO—Most Winnipeggers don't comprehend the good work that happens at Brady. Greater public awareness, for example, through Doors Open Winnipeg should be considered.

JB—Is there a film or video on Land fill operations? (This has been discussed previously and the committee is committed to seeing this come to fruition.)

Several members acknowledged the professionalism and skill of MK as a facilitator and credits her for much of the success and longevity of the committee.

Highlights of the last 10 years at Brady (2014-2019) Chris Kozak

2014

- Name was changed to the Brady Road Resource Management Facility (BRRMF)
- Class 1 facility license issued by the Province of Manitoba, setting out stringent regulatory requirements.
- Lime Mud Berms inherited from the old sugar beet factory. Not conducive for growing but can be used for visual barriers.
- Landfill gas system first phase.
- Surface water management first phase.
- Cell 30 first half in operation.
- Committee begins by meeting three times annually.
- Committee made recommendations to the landscaping plan which were incorporated.

2015

- 4R depot construction begins.
- New administration building, designed to LEEDS Silver standard, begins construction.
- Biosolids compost begins.
- Cell 30 second half opened.
- Falcon services started.
- Comprehensive Integrated Waste Management Strategy developed.
- Phase 2 of surface water management.

2016

- Master plan for the site is developed.
- Committee makes recommendation for hydroseeding of the north side of the landfill. Good growth has occurred there.
- 4R Depot opens.
- Cell 31 design.
- New position created: Superintendent of Operations.

2017

- Added 24 new wells to a total of about 50 to capture landfill gas.
- Construction begins for a centralized leachate collection system.
- Pacific Ave 4R depot opens.
- Biosolids soil manufacturing pilot.
- Cell 31 construction begins.

2018

- Lime mud berms complete.
- Surface water management for site complete.
- Paving of Charette Road.
- Construction of administration building begins.
- Panet Road 4 R Depot opens.
- New MRF contract.
- Brady Master Plan complete.
- New leachate centralized collection first phase operational.

2019

- Biosolids soil fabrication starts at Summit Landfill to divert in winter.
- Severe storm created lots of wood from significant tree damage. All wood was used, none was buried. Brady extends hours to receive wood waste.
- New MRF opens.
- Biosolids land application starts.
- Cell 32 construction starts.
- 4R receiving 1000 customers daily.

4. Review of action items from Spring 2023 meeting

The following actions arising from the last meeting have been built into today’s agenda:

- Tour of the facility.
- Councillor Duncan (Charleswood) was invited to participate in the tour but was unable to attend.
- The request to include borders of future cells has been included on aerial photos.
- MMIWG, the protest at Brady and the connection to this committee’s purpose.

The following will be brought forward to future meetings:

- Guidelines for birding at Brady
- In depth discussion about landscaping
- The involvement of city councillors an MLAs on the committee
- Presentation from the Office of Sustainability

Regular Updates

Landscaping and Long-term Site Planning

- Plan for landscaping around Admin building complete.
- Grading around Admin building is complete, and planting scheduled by end of 2023 or spring 2024 depending on conditions.
- Shelter belt planting of hybrid poplars is scheduled for spring 2024.

WD—Lots of housing development around Brady over the last 10 years. Suggestion to add Brady stakeholders and neighbours to the aerial map to add more context to maps.

WD—Suggest adding botanical names of trees to landscape report.

Odour, Noise and Nuisance Management

- Received 24 odour complaints since our last meeting.
- Improvement from 2022, as we received 45 complaints.
- Part of the reason for this is that the weather has not been as wet and the wells are better sealed.



- Some areas of the landfill are still restricted due to the active situation related to the missing women. This has impacted operations and might have increased odour.

MN—Responses to odour complaints vary by 311 operators. Suggest supplying a standardized response to 311 that can be used by all operators.

CK—Some standardization has been crafted by the staff. Some assessment info requested by 311 operator helps staff to pinpoint causes of odor.

WD—Suggest real time odor reports posted on-line.

- Litter control continues.
- Using wind fencing.
- New Directions and Siloam Mission service recipients are helping with litter pick up.
- Picking occurs onsite. As well, pickers go off the facility and into some neighborhoods.
- Using intermittently alternate daily cover by using a spray on product called Posi Shell (clay binders mixed with water).

WD—Celebrate Siloam Mission workers as a success story. Testimonials from some social enterprise workers state that some of those unhoused workers were successful in finding shelter after their contract terminated.

Site Improvements, Seasonal and Project Activity

- Cell 34 construction will be finished and operational in November 2023. Aerial photo shown.
- 2023 curbside yard waste collection will end November 10, 2023.
- Switched to winter hours of operation on Oct 30, 2023.

New Business

- The Comprehensive Integrated Waste Management Strategy (CIWMS) is the City's plan for managing garbage and recycling. The CIWMS was approved by City Council in 2011.
- An update will help us improve our programs and services for all customers (i.e., residential, multi-unit, industrial, commercial, institutional, construction and demolition) and ensured they are aligned with City policy documents such as Our Winnipeg and the Climate Change Action Plan.

To learn more about what kinds of projects, programs and services are outlined in the current CIWMS, and to provide input, go to: [Garbage and Recycling Master Plan – Winnipeg's Comprehensive Integrated Waste Management Strategy - Water and Waste - City of Winnipeg.](#)

WD—Suggest adding a link to A Sustainable Winnipeg as well.

DO—Suggest that staff explore the reclamation of the Fresh Kills Landfill in Staten Island New York as a potential best practice in future.

WD—As the original landscape contract is complete, there is likely room to reevaluate the plan now.

CK—There is interest in planting more flowers at the site.

MN—Requesting an update on the pilot compost program.



CK—The final plan is awaiting approval from Council. It is looking positive for expansion. The time frame is long because the time frame depends on the nature of the processing facility and operational systems. Need to re-evaluate existing contracts and external contractors.

MN—Would it be useful to write a letter of support to Councillors?

CK—Yes. This is always a useful approach.

GI—How to do you educate Councillors on the value of a compost program?

CK—City staff has been doing this incrementally as they have been promoting a full organics program.

MMIWG and Connection to Committee Purpose

Item turned over to WD who raised this issue for discussion at a previous meeting.

Highlights:

WD—The Committee should not be blind to this issue and the encampment even if it is not technically part of the committee mandate to address it. Make sure that the committee considers social opportunities as well as technical details of the landfill.

DB—Reconciliation means more than saying sorry. Committee needs to ensure that that it does not stand in the way.

GI—Multiple lenses need to be applied to this issue.

JF—Recognize the impact on staff. Committee could be open to support staff if necessary.

DB—Suggest updates on developments at meeting so that the committee can remain sensitive to this issue.

MK—Proceed with awareness and sensitivity. Keep this topic present by folding in any developments into Chris's updates.

Member Survey Results and CLC Membership Review

Defer to next meeting.

WD—Consider Mother Earth Recycling as a potential stakeholder.

New Business, action item review, adjourn

ACTIONS to Carry Forward

- Guidelines for birding at Brady
- In depth discussion about landscaping
- The involvement of city councillors and MLAs with committee
- Presentation from the Office of Sustainability
- Member survey results and CLC membership review
- Video of Brady operations
- Review of how the city educates the public on recycling, especially considering expanding requirements related to composting program.

ACTIONS, NEW

ACTION—10-year retrospective highlights, 2020 to present—Chris Kozak



ACTION—add a slide to the update to identify the number of trees successfully growing on north face.

ACTION—add botanical name of trees to slides.

ACTION—identify stakeholders and neighbours on aerial maps at meetings

ACTION—consider decoupling the tour of the facility from the meeting, holding it annually in the spring, and opening it up to more guests.

Spring meeting will be 2 hours long and held at the Waverly office.

Adjourn 7:40

Appendix – Brady Committee Meeting Photos



Committee members before site tour, Nov 1 2023



Dave Olinyk – ten years of service



Darlene Boettcher – ten years of service



Sonja Bridges – ten years of service



William Dowie – ten years of service



Michael Carruthers – ten years of service (accepted by Sean Gallagher)



Committee facilitator Michelle Kuly – 10 years of service