

**MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN  
WATER, WASTE & EDUCATION COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

**December 5, 2024 @ 7 p.m. Meeting held hybrid via Zoom and In Person**

A regular meeting of the Water, Waste & Education Committee was held on December 5, 2024, by hybrid meeting. The meeting was recorded, with the following in attendance:

Chair Councilor Scott (v), Mayor R. Stephens (v), and Councilors Diebolt (v), Farquhar (v), Mitchell, and D. Stephens. Councilor Bisailon sent his regrets. Deputy Clerk & Project Manager, P. Mader, CAO/Clerk Denise Deforge (v), CFO/Treasurer, Adam Slee (v), and eight members of the public (3 virtual, 5 in person) and one member of the press (v) were also in attendance.

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**MOTION: MITCHELL AND DIEBOLT**

That the agenda for the December 5, 2024 Water, Waste and Education Meeting be approved...carried.

There was no declaration of pecuniary interest.

**MOTION: DIEBOLT AND R. STEPHENS**

That the minutes of the last regular Water, Waste and Education meeting of November 7, 2024, be approved...carried.

A delegation by Jeff Wahl and Stan Drystek was received on behalf of the Lake Mindemoya Stewardship Association. The delegates presented water testing data from the last three years and requested that the municipality support a letter writing campaign to help advocate for improved water quality. The delegates were directed to provide draft copies of the proposed letters to council along with a letter of requested financial support for the 2025 season to be considered at the January WWE meeting.

**MOTION: MITCHELL AND SCOTT**

That we recommend to Council that report WWE 2024-12-02 Update from OCWA re: request from M'Chigeeng First Nation to use MWTP as backup overflow during the Lagoon Restoration Project be received AND FURTHER THAT staff be directed to cease preparation of agreement AND FURTHER THAT staff send communication to M'Chigeeng with notice of why the request can not be accommodated...carried.

**MOTION: DEIBOLT AND R. STEPHENS**

That we recommend to Council that the draft OCWA 2025 budget be received AND FURTHER THAT it be forwarded to the Committee of the Whole meeting on January 29, 2025 for further consideration ...carried.

**MOTION: R.STEPHENS AND MITCHELL**

That we recommend to Council that report WWE 2024-13-02 Waste Hauling and Curbside procurement update be received AND FURTHER THAT the scope of work tendered in RFQ 14-2024 Curbside Collection of Garbage and Non-Eligible Source Recycling be awarded to Green For Life Environmental (GFL) for the period cover January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025 to maintain existing level of service to a maximum of \$510,700.10 plus HST ...carried.

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Staff were directed to work over the next year to get further information from businesses regarding curbside bagged recycling.

**MOTION: R. STEPHENS AND DIEBOLT**

That the correspondence from the Island Wide Waste Resources Committee (IWWRC) be received...carried.

Mayor Stephens has reached out to the IWWRC to request further information regarding their proposed budget and how the requested funding will be allocated. When this information is received, the request can be added back to the WWE agenda for further discussion.

**MOTION: DIEBOLT AND MITCHELL**

That we recommend to Council that the Year-to-Date Expense report for the WWE Committee dated November 30, 2024 be approved as presented...carried.

**MOTION: MITCHELL AND DIEBOLT**

That we recommend to Council that the Draft 2025 WWE Capital Budget be received AND FURTHER THAT it be forwarded to the Committee of the Whole budget meeting in January for consideration in the 2025 budget...carried.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion from Councilor Scott at 8:29 p.m.