
ORGAWORLD ADVISORY COMMITTEE - MINUTES

Date: March 23, 2010

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Orgaworld – 5123 Hawthorne Rd.

In Attendance:

- Tina Ziten – City of Ottawa
- Greg Mariotti, Orgaworld
- Clay Crepin – Power Road Business
- Steve Vamosi – Representative Ward 10
- Randy Thompson – Woodland Mobile Home Park
- Ryan Lauzon, Orgaworld
- Scott Berquist – R.W. Tomlinson
- Theresa Boucher – Ramsayville Road
- Dale Harley – Member at Large

Regrets:

- Doug Thompson - City of Ottawa
 - Tracy Hart– MOE Officer
 - Andrew Black – Representative Ward 22
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Introduction of participants

Participants introduced themselves

Review of Agenda

Agenda was approved

Approval of February 24th Minutes

Minutes were approved

Plant Status Report

- Ryan Lauzon gave the plant status report
 - The plant has been approved by the City Building Inspector Bernie Lariviere pending sign offs and engineer letters for electrical, structural, mechanical and seismic. This will be achieved prior to April 1, 2010.
 - The building is fully closed in with the exception of some minor corners and edging that is left to be done.
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Round Table Q's & A's

- Theresa – Wanted to know what was coming out of the stack. Greg noted that it was water vapour and condensation from the temperature change between the outside air and stack air and the fact that the material goes from 70% to 30% water content. The tunnels are programmed to run at 56 degrees celsius for 3 days during the pasteurization process. Moisture content of the air leaving the stack is 100%.
- Theresa wanted to know what the smell was at Rideau Road and Hawthorne. Greg pointed out that the smell was from the pumping of the Lafarge quarry, which is a rotten egg smell. Clay noted that it smells every spring and sometimes in the fall if it is wet. Steve said that wells at 80 feet in the area have the same smell. Tina agreed with the assessment.

- Steve wanted to know what the process was when people smell a truck on the way to the plant. Clay pointed out that you smell the same thing when you follow a regular garbage truck. Greg said that this should be reported to the City. Orgaworld has onsite a steam-capable pressure washing machine to wash trucks if they necessary.
 - Tina – No issues
 - Randy – No issues
 - Scott – Asked about tonnage. Greg said that they were currently receiving 400 tonnes/week. Tina said they have seen an increase as bins are rolled out and more people start using them.
 - Clay – Wanted to know the names of farmers receiving the material. Ryan said that he is getting local interest but does not have names. Greg said that Orgaworld's sales manager, Travis Woollings was asking farmers if they wanted their names released. He said that the majority of farmers were in the St Isidore area east of the city.
 - Ryan – Nothing more
 - Dale – Noted that there were a number of events coming up where the City was asking for compost to be made available. They included:
 - April 22nd Earth Day event at City Hall for the planting of a tree (green bin with organics and green bin with compost)
 - May 1st Earth Day event planting in Riverside South with Councillor Steve Desroches
 - The Orleans Community Garden is interested in receiving some compost for their community garden (probably 2-4 truck loads)
 - The Grand Opening of the plant is scheduled for Thursday, June 10th from 2:00 to 6:30. Members of the committee and their spouses are invited. Young adults are also invited if they would like to do some volunteer work.
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Tour of Facility

There was no tour this meeting

Next meeting

Tuesday, April 27, 7:00 p.m. at the plant, 5123 Hawthorne Road. Come dressed for a tour (no leather coats please)
