### THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF PORT COQUITLAM

# ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE

Wednesday, March 19, 1991

Heritage Meeting Room 2580 Shaughnessy Street, Port Coquitlam, BC

5:00 p.m.

### **AGENDA**

# PERSONNEL IN ATTENDANCE:

ITEM I: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

CONTAMINATED SITES: DISCUSSION PAPER (Report from Deputy City Engineer dated March 5/91 and March 14/91)

TROPOSPHERIC OZONE FORECASTING SERVICE (Report from Deputy City Engineer dated March 11/91)

ITEM V: ENVIRONMENTAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS
(Report from Deputy City Engineer dated March 11/91)

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ITEM VI: RE-REFINED MOTOR OIL

(Report from Deputy City Engineer dated March 11/91)

ITEM VII: NEW BUSINESS

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#### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE

#### MINUTES

A meeting of the Environmental Protection Committee was held in the Heritage Room, 2580 Shaughnessy Street, Port Coquitlam, on Tuesday, March 19, 1991 at 5:00 p.m.

In attendance were:

Alderman J. Keryluk, Chairman Alderman R. Talbot, Co-Chairman C.F. Gaudry, P. Eng., Deputy City Engineer A. de Boer, Project Engineer

## ITEM I: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Environmental Protection Committee Meeting held Tuesday, March 5, 1991, at 5:00 p.m. and the notes on the meeting of March 13, 1991 be considered, read, and adopted.

Carried

# ITEM II: CONTAMINATED SITES - DISCUSSION PAPER

The Committee considered a report from the Deputy City Engineer dated March 5, 1991 and a summary of the meeting held with the Ministry of Environment officials on March 13, 1991. Committee learned that in January 1991 the B.C. Ministry of Environment published a discussion paper on new directions for regulating contaminated sites. The publication is excellent and summarizes well the state of the industry regarding contaminated sites. The discussion paper deals thoroughly with identification, remediation and ongoing monitoring of contaminated sites after they are identified.

The discussion paper also clearly points out that the Ministry of Environment feels there is the need for direct municipal involvement in the process of identification and remediation of contaminated sites. In this regard they are proposing that the new legislation for contaminated sites would be structured so as to impower the Provincial Ministry to negotiate with each Municipality a certain delegation of duties associated with identification and site remediation of contaminated sites. It would naturally depend on the capabilities plus the desires of the community involved to what extent these duties were turned over to each municipality or jurisdiction.

From the meeting of March 13, 1991 it was also learned that several major jurisdictions are now requiring developers requesting subdivision or rezoning to provide a historical property search to identify any past uses of the property which may have contaminated the site and pose a contamination or pollution problem now. The Committee directed that the Deputy City Engineer produce a draft report back to the Committee outlining the procedures that the City of Port Coquitlam might use to identify contaminated sites and how to deal with them in the planning and approval process. Information from other municipalities such as Burnaby, Richmond, Vancouver and Surrey should be included in the report. The report should also take into account the main buildings in the planning and approval process i.e. Planning, Parks, Engineering and Building department.

# ITEM III: RECYCLING RESPONSE

Committee considered correspondence from Recycling Council of British Columbia dated February 27, 1991 regarding Port Coquitlam's Recycling program. Committee also reviewed a draft response. It was decided that the response would be deferred until after budget deliberations for 1991.

# ITEM IV: TROPOSPHERIC OZONE FORECASTING SERVICE

Committee considered correspondence from the Ministry of Environment dated January 8, 1991 regarding the Tropospheric Ozone Forecast Service for the Lower Fraser Valley. The correspondence was a general update and letter of basic support for the program. No funding was committed in the correspondence.

# ITEM V: ENVIRONMENTAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

The Committee considered a report from the Deputy City Engineer dated March 11, 1991 regarding the Federal Environment Ministry's Environmental Achievement Award system. Basically the Federal Government accepts nominations for consideration for these awards and include categories from non-profit organizations to individual life time achievements. Also included in the concept is environmental awards for leadership in the field as well as leadership by municipalities. The deadline for submitting nominations is March 22, 1991 and therefore it was decided that the material would be placed on file and brought forward in time for consideration of the 1992 program.

# ITEM VI: RE-REFINED MOTOR GIL

Committee considered a report from the Deputy City Engineer dated March 11, 1991 regarding re-refined motor oils. Before considering the matter further the Committee requested further information including price comparisons between re-refined motor oil and virgin crude oil, engine and power train warranty effects of using re-refined motor oil and the Engineering Operations plans for 1991 to introduce re-refined motor oil into the City vehicles.

### ITEM VII: NEW BUSINESS

#### A) HOME COMPOSTING

Committee considered a short written report and verbal presentation from the Project Engineer, Mr. Andrew de Boer regarding Home Composting. Committee asked for further information and clarification on the Home Composting plan including complete budgetary figures for 1991. The Project Engineer will re-write the report and submit it to the Environmental Protection Committee.

#### B) E.T.L. MEETING

Committee considered a short written report from the Project Engineer regarding an upcoming meeting between the City of Port Coquitlam and E.T.L. who are the contractors selected to receive this City's recycling materials for processing and marketing. A further report will be submitted on completion of the meeting.

#### C) PITCH IN CAMPAIGN

Mr. Andrew de Boer verbally appraised the Committee of the current progress for the Pitch In campaign. The coordinator for Pitch In B.C. has been contacted to ensure the City receives a supply of the free Pitch In bags for re-distribution to interested parties. The coordinator is going to supply a list to Mr. de Boer outlining the agencies and groups that have already expressed interest in participating in the program. Mr. de Boer will arrange for a coordination meeting to held on a Saturday or Sunday and will include the full Environment Protection Committee members and representatives of all groups. A report will be submitted for each EPC meeting outlining the progress of the Pitch In campaign.

The Meeting Adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

C.F. (Kip) Gaudry, P. Eng.

Deputy City Engineer

Alderman J. Kerylu Committee Chairman

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NOTE:

Minutes not read and adopted by the Committee until certified correct by the Committee Chairman's signature.

Mayor and Aldermen cc: City Administrator