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Chair's Report

Annual General Meeting May 7, 2019

For approval to construct the Crane Mountain landfill, the Minister of the Environment imposed two conditions upon the Fundy Region Solid Waste Commission that impact the operation of Crane Mountain Enhancement Inc. (CMEI)

Firstly, that the Fundy Region Solid Waste Commission would establish a community based environmental monitoring committee with a mandate to monitor all aspects of the landfill. CMEI is that committee. To fulfill our mandate we review and/or hire experts to review the operation of the landfill and its potential impact on the environment in the host community. Based on these reviews we make recommendations for improvements at the landfill.

Secondly, that a portion of the tipping fee be used for enhancements beneficial to residents of the host community. The CMEI Special Projects Committee reviews and recommends the enhancement projects. To date this has resulted in funding for community facilities and organizations amounting to over \$1,600,000.

CMEI works with landfill management to represent the residents of the host community on issues of concern and will present or submit in writing such issues to the Fundy Regional Service Commission (FRSC) and/or the Department of the Environment, if they are not resolved with landfill management..

The monthly meetings of the FRSC are open to the public. CMEI monitors the issues to be brought before the commission and when there are issues regarding the landfill that may impact the host community we have someone attend the meeting and report to our Board.

CMEI supports the education programs at the landfill with a contribution of \$1000.00 per year toward the bussing of grade 4 students from the Host Community to participate in the program.

Highlights from the last year include the following:

In 2017 and 2018, FRSC in partnership with CMEI applied for and received grants of \$80,000 and \$65,000 respectively from the New Brunswick Environmental Trust Fund to develop conceptual and numerical models of groundwater flow in the watershed, both on site and downgradient of the landfill. The results were presented to the CMEI Board of Directors on Oct. 2, 2018.

A groundwater trigger parameters and concentrations program that analyses the data received from the laboratory and identifies anomalies is complete and running on the computer of the landfill's technical advisor (Peter Baxter). Following further review, the program will be implemented at the laboratory level and data will be analyzed as it is entered.

There were no reportable leachate incidents in 2018.

All special projects were completed on time by October 1, 2018 with a balance available for the "B" list that wasn't all used.

Final Note

To bring concerns to CMEI, residents can contact any member of the Board of Directors or send an email to one of our contact email addresses, see the "Contact Us" page on our website. www.cmei.ca

Residents can also contact the landfill directly by calling the hotline 738-1212.

Respectfully Submitted by:



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Chair, Crane Mountain Enhancement Inc.