

Request for Decision United Townships of Head, Clara & Maria Council

Type of Decision									
Meeting Date	Friday, April 10, 2015				Report Date	Tuesday, April 7, 2015			
Decision Required	X	Yes		No	Priority	X	High		Low
Direction	X	Information Only			Type of Meeting	X	Open		Closed

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Subject: Continuous Improvement Fund Session North Bay, April 2, 2015

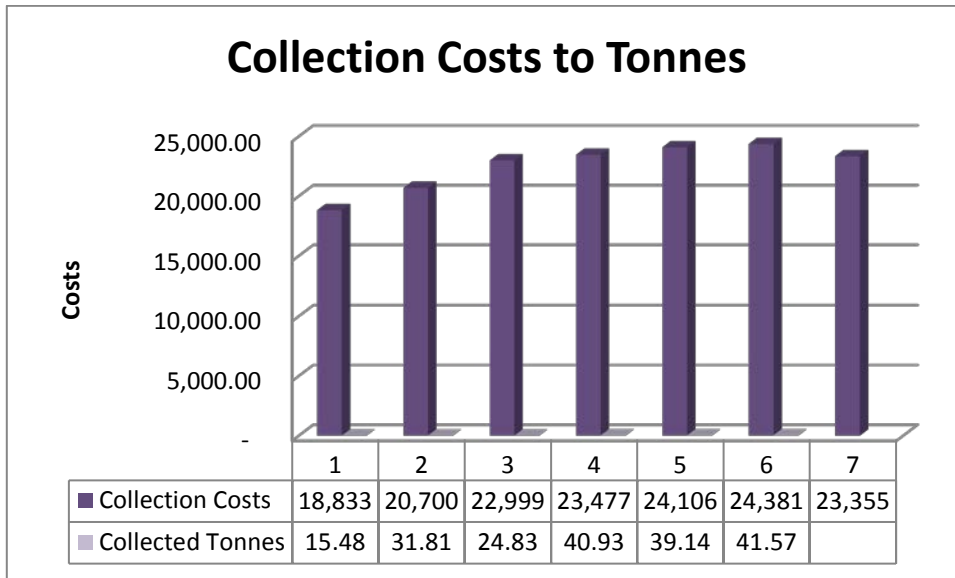
On Thursday, April 2, 2015 I attended a seminar/workshop in North Bay hosted by the Continuous Improvement Fund and AMO concerning various Blue Box topics.

Lessons learned:

1. Hints and tips to more easily complete the Datacall.
 - a. Seasonal trailer parks are allowed in seasonal counts. Driftwood is not and its volume should be removed from Datacall stats.
2. The stewards, who are legislated to fund the Blue Box program, do not want low volume high cost programs such as ours and argued during arbitration to remove all programs under 5000 persons from the program.
3. Arbitration was completed in 2014 between Stewards and AMO/municipalities. The decision was in favour of municipalities and awarded \$115 million to be distributed amongst member municipalities for 2012 funding year. There are some issues which were decided in the favour of municipalities. There are some issues which the arbitrator stated were outside of his jurisdiction.
4. Historical data can be exported from the datacall.

Year	Other Recyclables Collected Tonnes	Organics Tonnes	WEEE Tonnes	Garbage Tonnes
2001	-	-	-	-
2007	16.35	19.13	-	183.73
2008	6.23	22.60	3.62	385.70
2009	1.43	27.26	4.74	338.79
2010	23.25	34.91	4.62	397.11
2011	11.00	26.67	8.92	429.24
2012	3.72	23.33	4.88	316.07

2013	1.29	18.48	9.48	321.57
2014	-	-	-	-



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6. Peel region has free blue boxes we might be able to obtain if there is a desire. We do need to let them know if we are interested. CIF/WDO will collect and help redistribute. Might be distribution costs.
7. There is money in the Continuous Improvement Fund for 2015 – program may be dissolved in 2016; have not been renewed on more than a year by year basis. HCM is applying through the Service Centre of Excellence along with 5 other county municipalities.
8. Reminder: due to our size, participation in Blue Box Program is voluntary. Staff will attempt to coordinate data to determine how much space/many years the 40 odd tonnes of material diverted each year is buying us? Is it worth it?
9. Since beginning our recycling program in 2007 and participation in the Blue Box Program, HCM has received the following.

Year	Tonnes Collected	Collection Costs	Datacall Reimbursement
2007	15.48	\$18,833	
2008	31.81	\$20,700	
2009	24.83	\$22,999	\$7,054
2010	40.93	\$23,477	\$7,115
2011	39.14	\$24,106	\$4,678 (will be amended due to arbitration)
2012	41.57	\$24,381	\$9,541
2013		\$23,355	\$9,268

Approved and Recommended by the Clerk

Melinda Reith,
Municipal Clerk