

**The Corporation of the Town of Spanish**  
**Council Minutes**  
**Special Meeting of**  
**Wednesday, January 26, 2022**  
**7:00 p.m., Zoom**

Present:	Jocelyne Bishop	Mayor
	Karen Von Pickartz	Deputy Mayor
	Debra Joncas	Councillor
	Sandra Trudel	Councillor
	Mary-Louise Zarichney	Councillor
	Pam Lortie	CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and asked for the disclosure of any pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof. None was disclosed.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

**RESOLUTION #22-01-29**

**MOVED BY:** Sandra Trudel

**SECONDED BY:** Mary-Louise Zarichney

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the agenda for the regular meeting of January 26, 2022 be adopted as presented.

**Carried**

**DELEGATIONS:** Jason Haman, GFL Environmental attended to discuss the Waste Collection and Disposal Combined with Residential Curbside Collection, Processing and Recycling tender.

- Is the cost of the contract affected by the number of bags picked up at each residence? No, not really...the average is 2-4 bags per household.
- Currently 2 trucks each week – 1 for curbside garbage and recycling and 1 for commercial bins
- If commercial bins were eliminated, would they still come every week? Not sure, some businesses wouldn't be able to go longer than a week, while others would.
- If commercial bins were eliminated, would the cost change if those businesses went to curb-side? Would have to look into this and get back to us.
- Curb-side – how is this calculated? There is a formula that the company uses, not sure. Number of households is a factor. Jason will look into this.
- If commercial bins are eliminated from the contract, the businesses would contact GFL direct to make arrangements to have their bins emptied
- Is there a cost to businesses to dump their recycling bins? Yes

- GFL would typically include tipping fees in their cost and submit to municipality – Elliot Lake charges \$1.00/yd tipping fees, Thessalon charges \$12.50 per bin – all municipalities are different
- Municipalities are only funded for residential recycling
- Why recycle? Recycling should be promoted to save space in the landfill – this provides a cost saving in the long run to taxpayers
- Once commercial are responsible for their own costs, will they cut back on service required? Hard to say
- Central Manitoulin – enforces recycling – must use clear bags – will not be picked up if there is recycling included – truck has cameras in the hopper to watch for recycling
- Bag Limit – does it matter if small bags or large bags are used? It's per bag whether small or large – garbage needs to be bagged and tied – encourage use of normal sized bags 30 x 35. This isn't a problem in Spanish – people use regular sized bags when putting in their garbage container.
- Freezers/wooden garbage bins used at end of driveway are not a problem for garbage pick up – they are situated close enough to the road to make it easy for pick up. Freezers are an eyesore.
- Township of the North Shore use front end service only – 3 depots – approximately 16 bins in all. All community members have to bring refuse and recycling to the depot. Businesses have their own bins – some are in the contract and some deal with GFL directly.
- Evergreen Shores – 2 trucks per week – garbage truck goes out there for garbage and recycling and front end loader to empty bins
- Sees a lot of construction material in bins
- Jason will work out a cost for depot system in Spanish
- Would bag limit apply to campgrounds? 8 bag limit may not be enough for campground with 20-30 trailers
- Bag Limit – consider not allowing tags for extra bags – don't want piles of garbage at the roadside.
- A reasonable bag limit for commercial is 8
- Recycling currently rotates – 1 week fibre, 1 week comingle – it's done this way to make use of the double stream truck – can pick up recycling and garbage at the same time. Recycling is brought to their plant in Blind River for processing.
- Cost to empty bin will be \$70.00/lift, plus tipping fees and arranged by business owners
- Recycling - \$10.50/yd
- Will inquire whether or not seasonal is taken into consideration when commercial bin cost was determined for the contract
- Could look at a combination where dumping once monthly is included in contract and customer pays for anything over and above.
- Price for depot bins – rental versus purchase of bins
- Can continue with contract past February 28, but would be at new rate.
- Tag system – some municipalities have one and some don't
- Depot – North Shore has cameras set up
  - Cons – people from outside the community can use
  - Can be a mess
  - Requires constant monitoring

- Jason will send some recycling material to distribute to residents

Jason was thanked for attending tonight's meeting and providing information. He will gather information and send to CAO.

**RESOLUTION #22-01-30**


**MOVED BY:** Karen Von Pickartz

**SECONDED BY:** Debra Joncas

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** we do now adjourn to meet again on Wednesday, February 2, 2022 at 7:00 p.m., via: Zoom for Regular Meeting of Council or at the call of the Mayor.

**Carried**

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

  
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Jocelyne Bishop, Mayor

  
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Pam Lortie, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer