

Environmental Responsibility Community Conversation Notes - October 26, 2022

TRENDS:

- Big change in AB shift from Recycle to Reduce. Companies will need to pay for disposal of their product packaging.
- Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) program @ Recycling Conference of Alberta.
- **Compostable containers + bags = harder to fully compost. Can't be fully composted in Jasper.
- The Municipality of Jasper was stuck w/ 60 tons of cardboard as the market for cardboard has crashed in North America.

COMMUNITY UPDATES:

- Protect Our Winters sent the survey about local restaurants' environmental efforts.
- Banff has a zero-waste campaign called 'Trail Blazers'
- Operations will be putting new signage on the compost bins in Nov.
- Town of Fulair (near Peace River)
- MOJ will manage compost pile over winter.
- It's more profitable to separate recycling, but also more costly to ensure everything is separated out. Times are also restricted.
- Write letters to council on how you feel.
- Check out Banff position on Environmental Management (posted now).
- Council has a whole section of strategic priorities on Environment.
- Energy Manager position = possibility of extension council to discuss 2023 budget.

ACTION:

Lisa to email municipal team about whether the energy manager could be working on a strategy to harness the heat produced by the wastewood pile at the transfer station. As well as a Biomass Heating System

Lisa to include the idea of formally appointing people from external agencies (specifically parks Canada) to attend Community Conversations in the annual report and policy review. **Lisa** to look into whether we have new signage/stickers coming for recycling bins as well as compost bins and whether we have signage for each individual bin.



What do you think?

- ✓ Municipal public engagement opportunities
- ✓ <u>Give feedback, contact council or report an issue</u>.
- ✓ You can also contact council by emailing them.

Promote your program or event:

- ✓ <u>Check the Community Calendar to find out what's going on in Jasper</u>.
- ✓ Add your program or event to the calendar.

Share your passion:

✓ <u>Fill out this form</u> and we will contact you to discuss your idea!

All things Community Conversations:

- ✓ Community Conversations schedule and information
- ✓ Community Conversations most recent notes
- ✓ Application to join Community Conversations
- ✓ Municipal Community Conversations policy

Do you have neighbours or colleagues who are new to Jasper?

✓ The <u>New to Jasper page of the website</u> has helpful information for them.

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