

Minutes

05 November 2025

Project name	Brooks Road Landfill	From	Vincent Cooney
Subject	2025 Brooks Road PLC #3	Tel	+1 647-617-4946
Date/Time	November 5, 2025 / 6:30pm - -7:30pm	Project no.	12662221
Attendees	<p>Vincent Cooney (VC) – GHD (facilitator) Ben Kempel (BK) – GHD (technical) Tim Danyliw (TD) – BRE (project manager) Dave Bruce (DB) – PLC Chair Diane Manto (DM) – PLC Member Laurie Woolner (LW) – PLC Member Ross McKeen (RM) - PLC Member John Metcalfe (JM) – Haldimand County</p> <p>Catharine Caldwell (CC) – MECP Hamilton Mackenzie Clarke (MC) – MECP Hamilton</p> <p>Regrets: Kayla Buck (KB) – MECP Hamilton Kimberly Seaben (KS) – PLC Member Dave Glenney (DG) – PLC Member</p>	Copy to:	All Attendees

Summary of Action Items and Commitments

- June meeting minutes to be updated before reposting to BRE website.
- Summary of community donations email from DM and LW to be appended to June minutes for posting

Upon convening at 6:31pm

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<p>Purpose and PLC Objectives</p>	
<p>Review of Previous Minutes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Asked to append DM and LW emails. VC noted that contacts from each of the volunteer third party organization may not want their personally identifiable information posted to the internet. TD suggested a summary of the email information instead. PLC members agreed. – VC will summarize that information from emails, TD will forward these emails to VC – No edits were proposed to the body of the June minutes. VC asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Motion by DM, Seconded by RM. Motion passes, minutes adopted.
<p>Site Updates</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – TD provided a site update. – TD provided a summary of the leachate volumes produced since the last meeting. – DM asked about piecemealing – RM asked if there is money going towards Dunnville. TD confirmed yes, benefits the County, and cheaper than hauling to Beamsville disposal site. – DB asked about how permission is provided for leachate hauling. CC from MECP noted that one step is not complete to permit discharge to the ditch. – TD committed to sharing test results, when reviewed and available. TD noted that MECP can come out and test in the lab as desired (question by Laurie Woolner to that effect). – JM asked about the leachate level measurement. 191m is regulation. In compliance with the ECA. – The 191m represents very low elevation above landfill volume. – DM asked about the height above road. BK confirmed this as roughly 22m (maximum) from a cross section of the landfill site design in the deck presentation. – DM asked about beautifying the site entrance. TD indicated that he did not have an immediate person that seemed appropriate for landscaping. TD will report back to the PLC at next meeting.

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Site Approvals – EA and ECA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – BK provided an overview of the recent approvals for the site expansion – VC recapped the ECA and EA schedules. – BK noted delayed work on expansion cell until Spring 2026 due to unfavourable weather and risk of not completing ahead of winter 2025
Community Donations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – TD recapped the 2024 and 2025 donations – Minor Hockey, 4-H, and Cayuga Food Bank received funds – DM noted that minor ball is not mentioned on the slides. – 4-H replied on November 3, TD is waiting to hear back from Minor Hockey, and then decide on what might be able to help minor ball. – TD noted he has not yet contacted minor ball – LW asked about budget – TD confirmed \$20,000 per year, usually \$10k and \$10k across two organizations, with reasoning that this provides meaningful funds to organizations – DM felt that better to split funds among all three orgs. TD took this direction and will split funds across organizations including minor ball (provided contact and confirmation can be made)
MECP Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – MC from MECP indicated that they have continued their regular inspection activity and site visits and that there was nothing out of the ordinary – CC noted that there was a visit on the paving day in June 2025 as well, so they had seen that work taking place.
Next Meeting and Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – DB noted that three times a year at the library works well. March 4th, June 3rd, November 4th, 2026 are those first Wednesdays of the month. VC will circulate meeting invite holds for these dates. – DB noted that three times a year at the library works well. March 4th, June 3rd, November 4th, 2026 are those first Wednesdays of the month. VC will circulate meeting invite holds for these dates. – DB asked about receipt of contaminated soil at site. TD noted that it is received occasionally from Grand Disposal (subject to check). Contaminated material also coming from GFL directly from site or bulking yards. – DM asked why contaminated material is being brought to Haldimand County. – LW commented on not being aware of contaminated soil at site. Believing that the garbage being received is “inert”.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – After Hagersville closed, the site did receive contaminated soil that may have been destined for Hagersville before closure. – RM asked about loads-testing for the liner. Schedule 4 of O.Reg 346. Ross asked about loads ever being ‘turned away’. Reports are provided giving indication of bore hole results. – LW asked the site accepts Tobacco. It does not. – TD noted that the site can accept institutional garbage but is conventionally not being accepted at site. – Comments were made regarding the odour suppression systems in place at the site on calm days – DM asked why the contaminated soil is coming to Haldimand. – DB inquired about any discussions or intentions for additional expansion at the site. Both TD and BK stated they were not aware of any plans for further expansion. BK observed that there is provincial demand due to border pressures and ongoing conversations at the provincial level, but reiterated he is not aware of any new expansion applications. TD also confirmed he has no knowledge of further expansion applications. – BK talked about the general economics of landfills and that they are by no means a guarantee. The content/receipt and environmental protections at site have vastly improved subsequent to BRE’s ownership and involvement. – MECP responded to things the province has done to reduce volumes or waste being generated or diverted from landfill. (question from DB.) Excess soil reuse programs are diverting soil that may have ended up in landfills. MECP will provide a summary on measures for diversion. TD noted that the cost of landfill is an incentive to divert from landfills. – JM asked about the soils along the rail corridor. TD noted that some of this was excavated and used to cap landfill cells – DM commented that railway lands soils have been used for capping. MC noted industrial to commercial (or residential) standard – TD noted that the excavated soil piled adjacent to the corridor was clean fill/soil. – DM asked about ditch water testing. Four times per year, typical for landfills per TD. Unusual to do a program more often. Any water from the site is monitored more frequently. – JM asked at the present rate of fill, when will that be completed. TD – 3 to 4 years, depending on capacity. – RM asked if there is a contingency plan for ditch spills. TD confirmed yes BRE has these in place.

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	– Meeting adjourned at 7:31 (Motion – RM, Seconded – Darlene)