



## Community Liaison Committee (CLC)

### Meeting Summary (March 8, 2018)

Manitoba Environmental Act Licence No. 3199

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# Introduction

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Urbanmine Inc. was issued an Environmental Act Licence No.3199 in September of 2016 for the operation of a metal recycling facility located at 72 Rothwell Road in Winnipeg. As part of the licence, Urbanmine is required to form a Community Liaison Committee (CLC).

The CLC is required to meet annually during the first (5) years of operation after the issuance of the licence in 2016. As part of the terms of Environmental Act Licence No.3199, Urbanmine is required to provide a meeting summary and documentation to Manitoba Sustainable Development within sixty (60) days following the CLC meeting.

This report presents the meeting summary and documentation for the March 8, 2018 CLC meeting.

# CLC Representation and Terms of Reference

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The representation and terms of reference for the Community Liaison Committee are outlined in Appendix 'A' of Environmental Act Licence No. 3199. The licence indicates that Urbanmine will establish and Chair the CLC, with representation from, at minimum:

- Urbanmine Inc. as Chair;
- Citizen Representation - at least five (5) from Linden Woods residents directly adjacent to Urbanmine's processing facility;
- A representative from Manitoba Sustainable Development;
- Commercial/Industrial representatives - at least two (2) from commercial/industrial operations located adjacent to the facility.

Appendix 'A' of the licence outlines the Terms of Reference for the CLC, including frequency of meetings, notification and agenda requirements and to submit meeting summary notes or minutes and meeting documentation to Manitoba Sustainable Development.

# Notification

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Letters inviting community members to be part of the Community Liaison Committee were distributed to surrounding commercial, industrial facilities as well as those residents located in the adjacent Linden Woods neighborhood. More specifically 24 letters were addressed to those residents residing on the following mentioned locations, Deer Run Dr., Lindemere Dr., Birmingham Place.

Urbanmine distributed the letters in late January of 2018, letters contained a CLC invitation along with the CLC Charter and a draft agenda for the meeting which was scheduled for 6:00 PM, March 8, 2018 at the Caboto Centre, 1055 Wilkes Avenue in Winnipeg Manitoba.

# Meeting Summary Notes

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## Attendees

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The following individuals attended the CLC Meeting on March 8, 2018 which commenced at 6:05 PM.

Dick Menon	Citizen Representative
Carel Mare	Citizen Representative
Sonja Bridges	Manitoba Sustainable Development – Environmental Officer
Krista Olafson	Manitoba Sustainable Development – Environmental Officer
Yvonne Hawryliuk	Manitoba Sustainable Development – Regional Supervisor
Dennis Heinrich	Dillon Consulting - Partner
Haderra Chisick	Urbanmine Inc. - Chief Financial Officer
Mark Chisick	Urbanmine Inc. – President
Adam Chisick	Urbanmine Inc. – Vice President
Robin Strong	Urbanmine Inc. – Office Manager
Ron Lussier	Urbanmine Inc. – Environmental Coordinator/ Lean/RIOS Manager

## Introduction and Purpose of Meeting, Agenda

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Ron Lussier from Urbanmine acted as meeting facilitator and welcomed all attendees to the CLC meeting.

After introductions Ron Lussier began by reviewing the meeting agenda. We reviewed the purpose of the meeting and the role of the community Liaison Committee as outlined in appendix 'A' of the environmental licence.

Ground rules for the meeting included no cell phones, not to interrupt when people are asking questions or talking and to be respectful. Ron advised that 20 – 24 letters were mailed or hand delivered to the residents of Linden Woods and adjacent businesses. Letters resulted in only two (2) residents attending and none from the local businesses.

## Manitoba Sustainable Development Review of Environmental Act Licence No. 3199

Sonja Bridges from Manitoba Sustainable Development reported that they review the licence with Urbanmine and conduct follow up visits to verify that the sites matches the license requirements. They follow up with Urbanmine and receive progress reports every 90 days. Urbanmine has met the license requirements to date and the phones have been quiet (no complaints)

## Urbanmine Update of Noise Abatement Measures

Ron Lussier started with a slide presentation of what's been done at Urbanmine regarding sound abatement. Using an overhead photo, he showed that a 150' long sound wall, measuring 25 ½ high, has been installed. The first section is 25 feet long and contains an absorbent product to absorb and block sound. The second section of wall consists of 80 feet of shipping containers, stacked three containers high. This section has two purposes, it helps with sound mitigation and it also provides storage for Urbanmine. The third section is constructed the same as the first section and also 45 feet long. The 25 feet sections are positioned on piles and the shipping containers are on a concrete slab. Next was a photo that shows the enclosure placed around the shear motors and fans which helps mitigate the sound. Ron also goes over to the neighborhood on a regular basis to listen for himself. Urbanmine has a handheld sound meter that is used to check that sound levels are below 55 decibels.

Photos of the Debris Wall beside the Shear showed that the original design allowed sound through. Urbanmine has added panels to decrease the sound and have placed a housing over the motor and fan of the shear. Plans include using a spray foam inside the housing that will absorb 60% of the sound. This will be completed once the weather warms up.

Ron concluded by saying that Urbanmine has gone a year with no complaints from residents or businesses.

## Community Liaison Committee Discussion

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On completion of the presentations by MSD and Urbanmine, Ron opened the floor to questions and comments. The following questions and points were raised:

- Dick Menon, Resident, commented that an issue has been the timing of operations, with Urbanmine operating beyond evening hours and residents can't sit outside. He stated that he has heard late evening and weekend noise. Ron replied that Urbanmine has not worked past 5pm since the issuance of our license in 2016. We worked one Saturday in late November and one Saturday in early December. This was to allow employees to bank hours to cover the shutdown at Christmas.
- Carel Mare, Resident, stated that he was speaking on behalf of neighbors:
  - Impulse sounds, picking up and dropping the scrap is an issue. They hear the bang.
  - He would like Urbanmine to stick to the rules of not working after 5pm in the summertime. He would also like to see a system put in place that if impulse noise happens, people can call and say come and listen now. He also mentioned that there is some mistrust that if someone called Urbanmine and asked them to come over to their neighborhood and listen, in that Urbanmine might adjust operations before coming over to listen. Ron stated that our license does not permit us to operate on any Saturdays between May and September and that we are not permitted to have extended hours (past 5pm) during that same time period. Carel thanked Urbanmine for placing the wall – he thought that it was built to hide the pile of metal – he didn't realize that the purpose of it was to reduce sound in the neighborhood.
  - He would also like a list of what residents were invited to the meeting so that when someone moans and groans about the noise, he can tell them that they need to attend the CLC meeting to voice their concern.
- Yvonne Hawryliuk, Manitoba Sustainable Development, asked that residents please call them anytime with concerns. It's better to call right at the time, Urbanmine could possibly be dealing with a particular product and it's easier to pinpoint at the time rather than afterwards.
- Ron Lussier reiterated that he would be happy to come over to the neighborhood at any time to address sound issues.
- Sonja Bridges, Manitoba Sustainable Development, stated that she is familiar with other licenses in the area and some noise may be tracked to another operation. They want to ensure that everyone is operating within their guidelines. Dates and times are very helpful - it's possible that some of the sounds could be traced to construction in the area. They want it to be a two-way street between neighbors and Urbanmine and ensure that Urbanmine maintains the license requirements.
- Urbanmine has a couple of more steps to complete current projects and will continue with sound testing to ensure that we achieve the minimum of 55 decibel requirement.
- Dick Menon commented that one night this winter he heard loud noise about 10pm and while he didn't go out on his deck to figure out where it was coming from, he felt it was coming from the direction of Urbanmine. He also commented that he felt that it was Urbanmine because the yard light was on. Dick is under the impression that if lights are on, Urbanmine is working.



- There is only one light in the Parking Lot that stays on all the time. Other lights are supposed to be set on timers so that they go off at night. Possibly timers have been reset when power was off and they are not turning on and off as they should. Urbanmine will look into this.

## Closing Comments

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Ron indicated that the meeting summary notes and documentation would be submitted to Manitoba Sustainable Development in accordance with the environmental act licence.

Ron Lussier thanked all CLC attendees for participating in the process and sharing their views.

Meeting concluded at 6:46pm



