

Claystone Waste Proposal: Status and Summary

Claystone Waste Proposal Refresher

The Beaver Regional Waste Management Services Commission, also known as Beaver Municipal Solutions, was created in 1992 and provides waste management services to the residents and businesses of its member municipalities which include **Beaver County, the Village of Holden, the Village of Ryley, the Town of Tofield and the Town of Viking.**

As the size and complexity of operations have grown so have the benefits to the **municipal members and community residents.** Since 2014, Beaver Municipal Solutions has provided over \$14.3 million in dividends to its member municipalities.

Municipal members of the Commission have been studying the need to transition from a **regional services commission** to a new corporate structure of a **municipally controlled corporation.** Regional Services Commissions allow Alberta municipalities to deliver municipal services on a cost-recovery model while municipally controlled corporations are a for-profit entity that is owned by a municipality or group of municipalities designed to provide dividends back to member communities.

Under Alberta law, regional services commissions are not intended to provide dividends back to member municipalities, but municipally controlled corporations are. In order to **protect and grow** community benefits to residents, **promote** municipal sustainability, and **enable** future waste management operations to be conducted in a more flexible manner, Beaver Municipal Solutions and its shareholding municipalities are now formally proposing to transition to a municipally controlled corporation called **Claystone Waste Ltd.**

Consultation Update & Next Steps

In the fall of 2019, Beaver Municipal Solutions and its member municipalities held **public information sessions** across the Beaver region regarding the proposal to transition to a municipally-controlled corporation. These sessions were held to gain initial community feedback on the Claystone Waste proposal and consider any changes that residents requested,

Beaver Municipal Solutions took action to respond to community concerns and released a **Response to Consultation** report in February 2020. Some aspects of the Claystone Waste business plan were changed as a result of the information sessions. For instance, a component of the Claystone Waste business plan included provisions that would allow for out-of-province waste to be transported to the landfill site in Ryley. Residents stated strong opposition to this potential at the public information sessions. In response to this community feedback, the Claystone Waste business plan has been amended to no longer allow for the potential of out-of-province waste to be transported to the landfill site in Ryley.

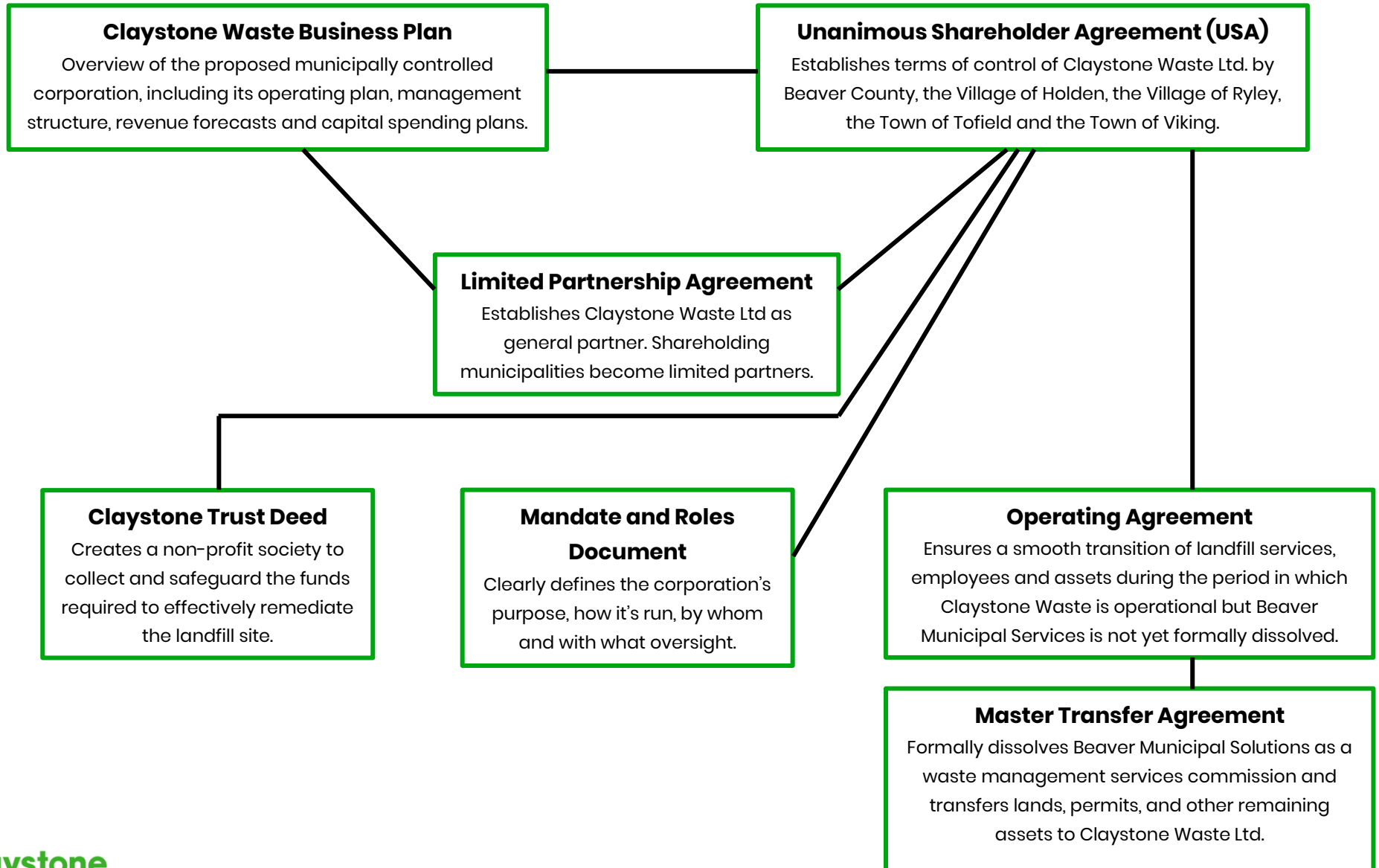
The next steps for public consultation are **public hearings** to be held by each municipal member council in June 2020. Several draft legal agreements and documents, including the Claystone Waste business plan, have been finalized and approved for public consultation by municipal member councils.

These agreements, and their summaries, can be **read in full online on municipal websites.** The relationship between these agreements and information on the accountability structure of the proposed Claystone Waste Ltd. municipally controlled corporation are described below.



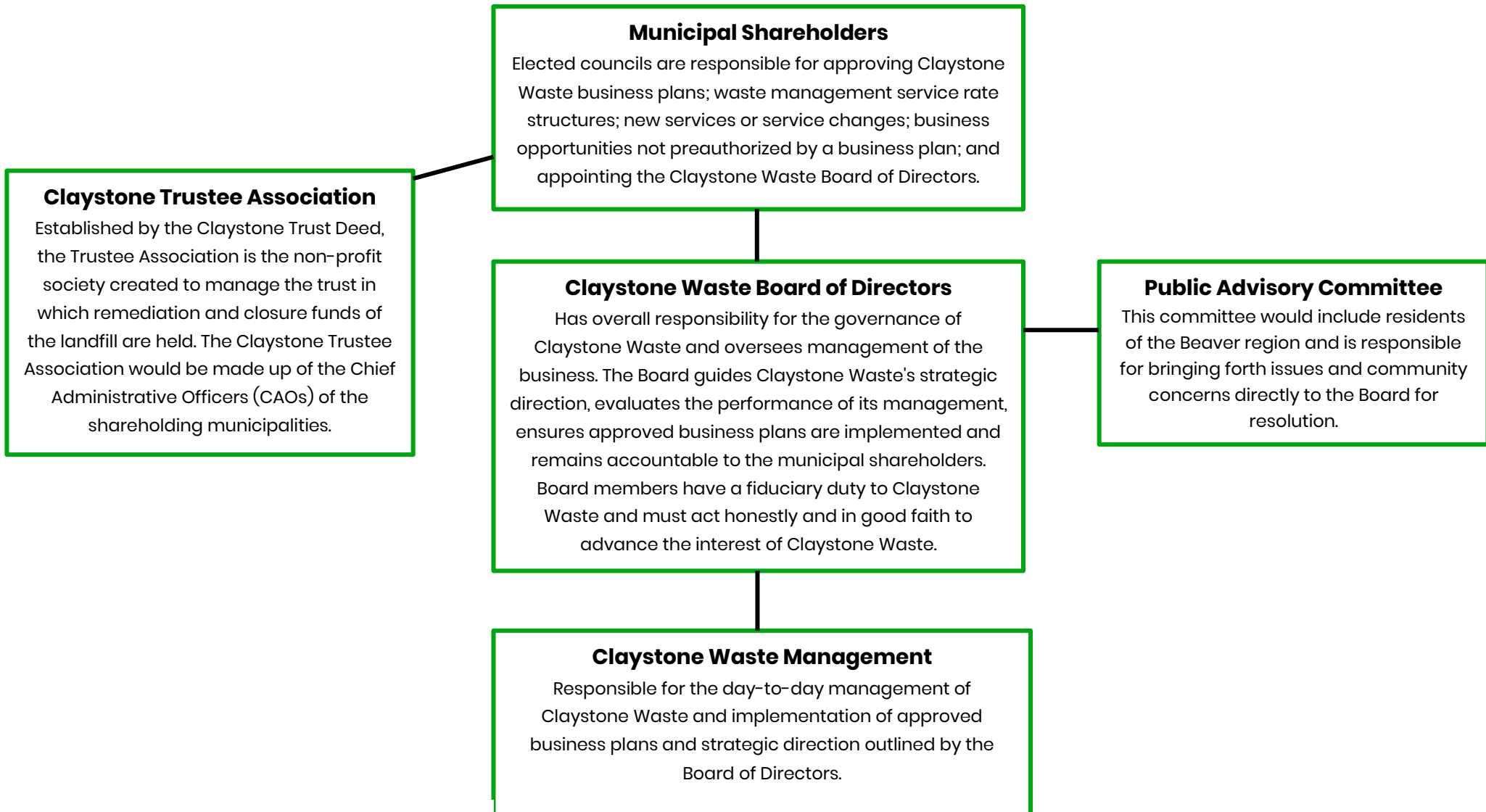
Claystone Waste Proposal: Legal Agreements

There are a number of draft legal agreements that have been approved for public consultation. This graphic below describes how the agreements relate to one another and what their purposes are. These agreements can be viewed in full on municipal websites or at beavermunicipal.com and claystonewaste.ca.



Claystone Waste Proposal: Accountability Structure

One of the benefits of the municipally controlled corporation structure is it allows for a significant degree of municipal control over the direction of Claystone Waste. This graphic describes how Claystone Waste would be structured from a management and accountability perspective.



Claystone Waste Proposal: Public Hearing Dates

Formal public hearings and discussion will be held in June 2020 to consider the Claystone Waste proposal.

Please visit municipal websites for confirmed dates and times of public hearing.



June 2020

Claystone Waste proposal documents accessible at: beaver.ab.ca



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Claystone Waste proposal documents accessible at: tofieldalberta.ca



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Claystone Waste proposal documents accessible at: viking.ca



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Claystone Waste proposal documents accessible at: village.holden.ca



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Claystone Waste proposal documents accessible at: ryley.ca