

**November 15, 2005**

Taft Town Hall

Members present were Ed Stroinski, Harry Frosch, Leroy Jensen, Randy Mayer, Ray Mallo, Ray Sackmann, Francis Martin, Myron Brooks, Bob Baker, Rudy Soper and Daniel Hoffman. Also present were Ed Hamel, Deb Conway, Don Walworth, Dan Romanowski, Don Mansky (Waste Management), Arlen Albrecht, Sue Noland, and Larry Peterson. Excused absences were Chelsea, Goodrich and Maplehurst. Also absent were Grover, Lublin and McKinley.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ed Stroinski at 8:00 PM. Motion by Harry Frosch and seconded by Ray Mallo, to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2005 Recycling Authority & October 12, 2005 Mini-Committee meeting as mailed. Motion carried.

**Tonnages:** Tonnages through the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter were reviewed. We are pretty close to the same as last year at this time. No one had any comments.

**Expenses:** Administrator reported we currently have a balance of \$24,599. There are two months of expenses left yet, but we should have an excess balance left. Suggestions to pay Municipalities back for tire collection and also reimburse back all or part of site attendants was discussed.

We are looking for other ideas or suggestions on how to use this unspent money. Motion by Francis Martin and seconded by Bob Baker, to reimburse towns the excess funds for tire collection and site attendants until funds are depleted on a per capita basis. Motion carried.

**Site Attendant Rate:** The site attendant hourly rate currently is \$6.00 for grant purposes. We are suggesting to raise the rate to \$8.00 per hour which is an average figure based on what most towns currently pay. Motion by Ray Mallo and seconded by Don Walworth, to raise the site attendant hourly rate from \$6.00 to \$8.00. Motion carried. This will become effective January 1, 2006.

**Little Black Agreement:** The Little Black Recycling Agreement with the Recycling Authority will expire on December 31, 2005. Mr. Hoffman indicated they likely will continue with the Recycling Authority. Dan also indicated they would sign a 3-year contract. We will get an agreement to him for Town Board approval.

**Trailer #3 Sale:** Administrator reported that trailer #3 has been sold to Peterson Farms of Westboro. There were a total of 3 bids received. The 2 top bids were a tie. One bidder gave up his bid and allowed Peterson to purchase trailer.

**Tire Collection:** The 2005 tire collection summary was reviewed. All has been completed except the Village of Lublin needs to pay. The costs were reviewed for each town and revenues received. Also reviewed the number of tires by size from each site. Discussed was the request to also accept tires from residents in other towns. For the 2006 tire collection, we need to figure out if we want to collect from residents from other towns and what the cost would be. Fee schedule and costs will have to be resolved prior to 2006 collection.

**Waste Management Proposal:** Waste Management presented a proposal to collect recyclables at each municipality which would have placed approximately 8 dumpsters per site with a service cost of \$68,000 per year. We met with Waste Management and asked them to revamp based on actual volumes collected at each municipality. This 2<sup>nd</sup> proposal placed, in most cases, two or three 8-yard containers per site for a total service cost of

\$24,600 for a year. Our 2004 costs were \$22,800 with CRC. With the Waste Management proposal we would not need the trailers as Waste Management would provide containers and service them. If Waste Management is selected we would ask for a 10 year contract and require a stipulation that Waste Management's proposal will not exceed the current proposal if changes need to be made. Deb Conway asked that we get a comparison from Onyx too to see if they are interested. We feel each municipality should have a vote whether they are at the meeting when a vote is taken or not. We discussed sending a questionnaire to Recycling Authority members to see how each municipality feels about the 2<sup>nd</sup> proposal and which way that member would like to go.

Motion by Randy Mayer and seconded by Dan Hoffman to check with Onyx to see if they are interested and if not, then send survey. If they are interested, then send out Onyx quote and questionnaire. Motion carried.

**Brochures:** Discussed was preparation of the brochures. It was decided to do report cards but hold off on the brochures until we decide which program we are going to continue with.

**2006 Recycling Grant Application:** Administrator reported the 2006 Recycling Grant application was submitted to the DNR. In talking with the DNR Recycling Specialist we should anticipate the same grant amount as last year plus approximately \$3000 as Recycling Efficiency Incentive Grant with Westboro.

**Trailer New Set-up:** The new trailer set-up was discussed. The towns gave their personal needs for trailer set-up. The consensus was there should be 2 to 3 big gaylord ones in front. Also decided we will not do anymore trailer changes until we decide which way collection system will be used.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 21, 2006 at Town of Deer Creek. Motion to adjourn at 9:30 PM by Ray Mallo and seconded by Ray Sackmann. Motion carried.

Susan Noland, Secretary

**October 12, 2005**

Mini Committee  
West Entrance, Courthouse

Present were Randy Mayer, Mike Roiger (Mike departed at 2:30), Daniel Hoffman, Don Mansky (Waste Management), Arlen Albrecht, Larry Peterson and Sue Noland.

The meeting convened at 1:40 PM. Three members of the Recycling Authority met to review and discuss the Waste Management proposal for recycling and garbage services.

Don Mansky, Waste Management, went through and explained the current proposal and how the rates were established. The proposed costs would be for 3 paper containers and 3 co-mingled containers that would be serviced every two weeks. With this proposal, it would cost approximately \$68,000/year for servicing. Different scenarios were discussed with reducing the number of containers at some of the sites and servicing less often. Our current cost for a year of processing and transportation is approximately \$22-23,000. It is possible with these new containers, there may be a savings if some of the sites go from 2 site attendants down to 1.

After discussion, it was decided Mr. Mansky should do some more site specific refiguring. He will revise the proposal as to the number of containers each municipality may really need based on volumes collected in a year and also the servicing frequency. He will also present us with actual facts and figures for the Town of Medford which is already going this route.

Mr. Mansky will get us a revised proposal by next week. We will then send it out the 3 Committee members and they will let us know if we should conduct another meeting or present to the Recycling Authority at their next meeting. Meeting adjourned at 2:45 PM.

Susan Noland, Secretary

**August 16, 2005**

Town of Goodrich  
Goodrich Town Hall

Members present were Ed Stroinski, Harry Frosch, Leroy Jensen, Tony & Ruth Prasnicky, Randy Mayer, Ray Mallo, Dave Giera, Scott Mildbrand, Ray Sackmann, Rod Kropp, Francis Martin and Daniel Hoffman. Also present were Mike Roiger, Ed Hamel, Deb Conway, Larry Ziembo, Cindy Ziembo, James Kreklau, Donald Purvis, Vern Pernsteiner, Don Mansky (Waste Management), Arlen Albrecht, Sue Noland, and Larry Peterson. Absent were Representatives from Jump River & Roosevelt (excused) and Ford, Grover and Lublin.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ed Stroinski at 8:00 PM. Motion by Harry Frosch and seconded by Francis Martin, to approve the minutes of the May 17, 2005 meeting as mailed. Motion carried.

**Tonnages:** Tonnages for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter were reviewed. We are up from last quarter and last years quarter. Third quarter is not yet completed.

**Expenses:** Administrator reported we received \$108,828 grant dollars from DNR. The City was paid their share of \$32,114.00 and Joint Rib Lake was paid \$21,833. Recycling Authority retained \$54,880. Thus far the Recycling Authority spent \$23,668 and our current balance available is approximately \$31,000.

**Big Box Usage:** The only comment received was from Hammel in that their current trailer on site is low and they could not stack a second row on top. (Trailer #14)

**Trailer Sale or Lease:** Discussed was the sale or lease of trailer #13 to Browning. Browning is not interested in purchasing. The Recycling Authority will retain as a spare for now.

**Sale of Trailer #3:** Trailer #3 needs to be sold. There is a problem with the 5<sup>th</sup> wheel plate where trailer is hooked to tractor. Currently, we have 19 trailers including #3. Motion by Mike Roiger, second by Dan Hoffman, to sell trailer #3. Motion carried. We will advertise the trailer for sale.

**Trailer #6:** Administrator reported Trailer #6 was sold to Tim Peterson from Westboro for the minimum bid of \$500.

**Tire Collection:** The tire collection was discussed. A total of 13 municipalities have been collected from. We have one more collection to do this weekend. The volumes appear to be down even more than last year. We hope this is due to the consumer leaving tires with the dealer when replaced. The "pay as you go" plan for tires has significantly lowered the number of tires collected.

**Cooperative Agreement:** The 2006 Cooperative Agreement with the City of Medford and Joint Rib Lake has been signed for year 2006. There were some minor changes that were discussed at the last Recycling Authority meeting and have been resolved. All is complete.

**Site Attendant Wages:** Site attendant wages were discussed. Currently we allow \$6/hr for site attendant costs. A survey of the municipalities present indicate an average of \$8/hr

is paid by the municipalities. We may look at raising our grant allowable amount in the future.

**Town of Browning Proposal:** The Town of Browning requested a proposal to check with other vendors due to concerns about how the system works, keeping attendants, etc. Medford Town Chair and Waste Management representative were present. Medford has (6) 8 yd dumpsters at their site for recycling. Waste Management takes paper/magazines/cardboard in one; glass/plastic in another. The tin and aluminum goes to Blasel. Waste Management indicated there is no cost for the units, but a monthly fee is paid not matter how full when serviced. In 2004 the Town of Medford received grant dollars of \$3500 and paid \$11,000 to Waste Management for recycling operations.

After discussion, the Recycling Authority requested Waste Management give us a quote for just the recycling at our 15 sites and another quote for recycling and garbage collection. This will be reviewed and discussed again at the November meeting. We would also like a report on tipping fees. Chairman Stroinski appointed a group to meet and review the proposal from Waste Management prior to the next Recycling Authority meeting. Members are: Dan Hoffman, Randy Mayer, Mike Roiger, Arlen Albrecht and Larry Peterson. They will meet the beginning of October.

**2006 Recycling Grant Application:** Administrator reported the 2006 grant application will be submitted to the DNR by October 1. The 2006 Recycling Efficiency Incentive Grant will also be submitted for fluorescent tube collection with Westboro.

**State Budget:** The State Budget on Recycling program was discussed. It appears that \$28 million dollars was taken for Chronic Wasting Disease.

**Concerns:** Concerns discussed at the May 17<sup>th</sup> meeting was addressed with Commercial Recycling. An update was given to the Recycling Authority. A new manager has been hired at CRC and all seems to be going well.

**Problems/comments/guest:** a) There was a problem with the trailer siting at the Grover site. All appears to have been resolved. b) CRC requested that the 2<sup>nd</sup> tier of small boxes not have glass or tin put in them. c) One site has a long pallet in the back of trailer that had to be stepped onto and across, so they cut it off with a chainsaw.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 15, 2005 at Town of Taft. Motion to adjourn at 9:35 PM by Dave Giera and seconded by Dan Hoffman. Motion carried.

Susan Noland, Secretary

**May 17, 2005**

Town of Ford  
County Meeting Room

Members present were Ed Stroinski, Harry Frosch, Leroy Jensen, Tony & Ruth Prasnicky, Bob Baker, William Dmytro, Randy Mayer, Ray Mallo, Dave Giera, Scott Mildbrand, Ray Sackmann, Rod Kropp, and Daniel Hoffman. Also present were Ed Hamel, Don Walworth, Arlen Albrecht, Sue Noland, and Larry Peterson. Absent were Representatives from Grover, Jump River, Pershing and Lublin.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ed Stroinski at 8:00 PM. Motion by Ray Mallo and seconded by Dan Hoffman, to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2005 meeting as mailed. Motion carried.

**Expenses:** Administrator reported we are anticipating revenue of approximately \$54,880. Currently through April, our expenses are \$15,332 of which \$5,700 was for 2 new trailers purchased.

**Tonnages:** Tonnages were reviewed. 1<sup>st</sup> quarter weights are up. Everything has been going good. Various concerns were discussed from the members about servicing of trailers. These matters will be discussed with Commercial Recycling Corporation. A report will be given at the next meeting.

**Big Box Usage:** The Recycling Authority members request that 3 big boxes be opened in front of each trailer and the 4<sup>th</sup> left closed.

**Trailer Purchase:** Administrator reported that 2 trailers were purchased (006 & 007). They are 48' long. The price was \$5700 for both. They are nice trailers.

**Sale/Lease to Browning:** There have been some problems with Browning trailers with over weights, under weights and mixed-up trailers. They were looking at maybe having an extra trailer at site to put over-run volumes in. Arlen conducted some training with site attendants. At this time we will hold trailer #13 and let Browning decide what alternatives might work better.

**Trailer #6:** Administrator reported Trailer #6 was inspected and is in bad shape. The fifth wheel plate is rotted and framing is poor. Maintenance personnel from the Highway Department estimated repair would be \$1000 - \$1200. Motion by Dan Hoffman, second by Rod Kropp, to put trailer #6 up for sale on bids. Motion carried.

**Tire Collection:** The proposed schedule was reviewed and ok'd. Prices were discussed by tire size. Advertising will be done, brochures sent out, etc. Advertising will be done in the West Central Shopper and Star New Shopper. Information should be sent out end of June or early July so towns can get brochures out to their residents.

**2005 Grant Award:** The 2005 grant award and distribution was discussed. The total dollars to be received from the DNR will be \$108,828. The Recycling Authority will receive an additional \$22,000, the City an additional \$11,000 and Joint Rib Lake will receive an additional \$6,000. We may see the check as early as next week. At that time we will disburse funds to the City of Medford and Joint Rib Lake.

Administrator reported that due to our excess grant dollars we were not awarded a REI Grant for 2005.

**2006 REI Grant:** We will complete a grant application for REIG in 2006. We will conduct a collection of fluorescent tubes with Westboro for the additional REI funds. They will receive a portion of funds based on per capita.

**Mini-Committee Meeting:** An update on the meeting held on April 7<sup>th</sup> to discuss Cooperative Agreement with City and Joint Rib Lake contract was given. There were individual items that were clarified and incorporated for a new agreement in 2006. Each of the 3 entities need to review and approve the contract so it can be signed by this fall. Motion by Dan Hoffman, second by Ray Mallo, to approve Cooperative Agreement and allow Ed Stroinski to sign. Motion carried.

**Clean Sweep Collection:** Reviewed Clean Sweep Collections held on Saturday May

14. Volumes collected in Stetsonville were:  
269 appliances  
116 vehicles in appliance/electronics  
180 gallons oil  
50 batteries  
71 participants in chemical collection

Volumes collected in Cleveland were:  
16 appliances  
11 vehicles in appliance/electronic  
25 gallons oil  
5 batteries  
6 participants in chemical collection

Another collection will be held in July at Westboro and Taft. We may look at doing a "mini appliance collection" with Little Black in September. Dan will give us a proposal. We may try to do a site out West also.

**Problems/comments/concerns:** The new type of padlock we will be purchasing was viewed. These are cased in plastic so they will not rust as easily and also have a flip open/close bottom to help prevent problems with locks freezing up.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 16, 2005 at Town of Goodrich. Motion to adjourn at 9:15 PM by Randy Mayer and seconded by Ray Mallo. Motion carried.

Susan Noland, Secretary

**April 7, 2005**

Taylor County Recycling Authority  
"Mini Committee"  
West Entrance-Courthouse

This meeting will be an AdHoc Committee of the Recycling Authority to deal with specific matters for the joint agreement with the City of Medford and Joint Rib Lake as Recycling Authority members. Present were Ed Stroinski (Recycling Authority rep), Joe Knorn (Rib Lake rep.), John Fales (City rep), Arlen Albrecht, Larry Peterson, and Sue Noland.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM and it was decided to go with an open discussion rather than elect a Chairman. Any action required would go to the Recycling Authority for approval.

Administrator and Administrative Assistant met with City reps John Fales and Diane Maar last December to discuss possible changes to the current cooperative agreement for future signings. These suggested changes were reviewed by item and were:

1<sup>st</sup> paragraph = The term of the agreement was discussed. It was decided to go with a 1 year term for 2006 rather than multiple years at this time.

#8 = The proposed wording will be changed to refer to a chart that will be attached indicating the proposed distribution of grant monies.

#11 = Modified to indicate that if each partner could receive same funds as Basic 1999 Grant allocation, that partner may "opt out" and operate their own system and grant.

#12 = Education activities should be done by each partner for their own unique program and program specifics.

#13 = Clarify that the administrative body will disburse the funds. The administrative body shall consist of 1 voting member from the Recycling Authority, City of Medford, and Joint Rib Lake.

#15 = The Recycling Authority (not County Board) can execute the cooperative agreement.

The existing agreement will be revamped with the changes discussed above. The newly revised agreement will be sent out to Jt Rib Lake and City for their review.

The Proposed Distribution of 2005 Grant Monies chart was reviewed. Each partner felt the dollar figures looked good. The RA should receive approx. \$54,000, the City \$32,000 and Rib Lake \$21,000.

We will meet again in late August after each partner can go over proposed changes with their respective entity. This will allow enough time for next year's agreement signing before grant applications are due to the DNR.

Susan Noland, Secretary



**February 15, 2005**

Village of Stetsonville  
Jean M Thompson Library

Members present were Ed Stroinski, Harry Frosch, Ron Roth, Tony Pasnicky, Mike Roiger, Bob Baker, Randy Mayer, Ray Mallo, Dave Giera, Francis Martin, Ray Sackmann, Rod Kropp, and Daniel Hoffman. Also present were Scott Mildbrand, Ed Hamel, Don Walworth, James Kreklau, Arlen Albrecht, Sue Noland and Larry Peterson. Absent were Representatives from Grover, Jump River, Roosevelt and Lublin.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ed Stroinski at 8:05 PM. Motion by Mike Roiger and seconded by Ray Mallo, to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2004 meeting as mailed. Motion carried.

**Tonnages/Expenses:** The Tonnages & Expenses were reviewed for Year-End 2004 and for 2005 to date. Volumes: Our volumes are close in 2004 to the same as previous year. There were a couple of towns that brought in scrap metal which put their pounds way up. Administrator went through volumes based on a per capita to see what each Municipality pound/capita is. The DNR requirement is 83.7 pounds per capita.

Expenses: The Year-End balance is -\$239.38 for 2004. This will be zeroed out with administration costs for a balance of \$0 forward to 2005.

With the new members that joined County as of 1-1-05 the Recycling Authority will be getting an additional \$17,000 for grant dollars and approximately \$4,000 for Recycling Incentive money. Members should be thinking about what we need/ways to improve our present system with the extra dollars we will be getting.

It was suggested to put windows in the front of the trailers as they are very dark inside.

**Big Box Usage:** The Recycling Authority members requested 4 big boxes in front of each trailer and 6 small collapsible boxes for stacking on top. This request will be relayed to CRC.

**Trailer Purchase:** There are 1992 Stoughton trailers (48' long) available at a cost of \$2850 delivered. Motion by Mike Roiger and seconded by Ray Mallo to purchase 2 new trailers for \$2850 each and sell one old trailer and one other trailer will be kept for a spare. Motion carried.

**Tire Collection:** Administrator reported he had checked prices with a couple different agencies for old tire collection. Various options were discussed. This year we would like to pick-up numerous sites in one weekend and be done in 3 weeks rather than spread out over a two month span.

The cost was set as \$1 car, \$5 truck & \$10 tractor. The tentative schedule was reviewed with members present, and a proposal was agreed upon. Motion by Rod Kropp and seconded by Dave Giera to approve \$1, \$5, \$10 cost and proposed schedule. Motion carried.

**Contract Extension:** An addendum has been signed to extend current recycling contract with CRC effective 1-1-05 through 12-31-07 with any mileage over 20 miles would be reduced from \$8 to \$4/loaded mile.

**Update on joining Recycling Authority:** As of January 1, 2005 the City of Medford and Joint Rib Lake are considered part of the Recycling Authority and are invited to all meetings. We will share the benefits of the additional money that will be received.

**Recycling Efficiency Incentive Grant's (2005/2006):** In 2005 we will be eligible for an additional \$9000 due to merger with the other four entities. In 2006, we are looking at a cooperative agreement with the Town of Westboro for collection of fluorescent tubes in order to receive additional funds. We normally collect tubes during Clean Sweep. We will pursue other REIG's in the future also. Motion by Dan Hoffman and seconded by Dave Giera to sign agreement and proceed with collection. Motion carried.

**Mini-Committee and Duties:** A committee will be set-up to discuss any concerns that may come up and discuss fund distribution. The group will be a representative from the City, Joint Rib Lake, and the RA Chairman with Larry and Arlen as ex-officio. The first meeting will be in April.

**Problems/comments/concerns:** Suggestion: If we have an abundance of dollars we could think about hiring a retired person with a CDL to do our transportation.

The Administrator reported there have been some light loads and a few over loads. Extra costs are billed out directly to the affected municipality.

The Clean Sweep dates and sites were reviewed. More information will follow to the members.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 17, 2005 at Town of Ford/County Meeting Room. Motion to adjourn at 9:20 PM by Dan Hoffman and seconded by Rod Kropp. Motion carried.

Susan Noland, Secretary