

TAYLOR COUNTY RECYCLING AUTHORITY

Tuesday, October 23, 2007

Jump River Community Center

Members present were George Daniels, Ray Sackmann, Francis Martin, Tony & Ruth Prasnicky, Ray Mallo, Rod Kropp, Mike Roiger, Bob Baker, Rudy Soper, Ed Hamel, Mark Nosko, Dan Hoffman, James Hoehn, and Harry Frosch. Also present were Scott Mildebrand, Ron Roth, Don Walworth, William Dmytro, Bob Hindal, Lynne Lund, Betty Ahlers, Ray Gilbel, Arlen Albrecht, Sue Noland, and Larry Peterson. Also present was Dale Marth of Veolia. Absent were Stetsonville, (excused), Grover and Lublin.

The meeting was called to order by Acting Chairman Roiger at 8:00 PM.

Meeting Minutes: The August 21st meeting minutes were reviewed. Motion by Ray Mallo and seconded by Bob Baker, to approve the minutes as mailed. Motion carried. The October 11th Mini-Committee meeting minutes were reviewed for information. No action taken.

Vendor Selection: Bid information from Veolia was again reviewed in comparison with current Commercial Recycling Corporation contract. Questions were:

- 1) How will weight for each town be calculated: Veolia will figure cubic yard and breakdown into pounds.
- 2) The containers are a guesstimate and can be changed internally as needed.
- 3) Enough room will be needed to place the containers; i.e., 4 containers need approximately 30'.
- 4) All units would be chained and locks at approximately \$20 per container. Motion by Rod Kropp and seconded by Francis Martin, to chain and lock containers. Dan Hoffman voted no locks. Motion carried.
- 5) Veolia driver will log the fullness of containers to determine if more/less are needed.
- 6) If site has too much garbage habitually, there may be a garbage charge. Garbage once in a while – no charge.

Discussion was then held whether to accept Veolia bid. Motion by Harry Frosch and seconded by Dan Hoffman, to go with Veolia bid effective 01-01-08 through 12-31-12. Roll call vote: Voting yes to go with Veolia were Browning, Chelsea, Goodrich, Hammel, Cleveland, Taft, Maplehurst, Little Black, Pershing, Jump River, Roosevelt, Deer Creek and Ford. Stetsonville was absent but had indicated they would go with Veolia. McKinley voted to stay with CRC. Lublin and Grover were absent. Motion carried to go with Veolia.

A draft contract was received from Veolia. The language is similar to our current contract with CRC and previous contract with Superior Services in 1998. Contract accepted pending review of Corp Counsel.

Recycling Agreement with Little Black: The Little Black contract with Taylor County Recycling Authority was discussed. Their agreement expires 12-31-07. Motion by Ray Mallo and seconded by Scott Mildbrand, to renew Little Black agreement for length of Veolia contract (through December 31, 2012). Motion carried.

Tonnages & Expenses: Tonnages and expenses were reviewed. Expenses are looking good. RA should have dollars left at end of year again. Tons are down slightly from last quarter. We hope volumes will increase when new system goes in effect.

Sale of Recycling Trailers: Sales of recycling trailers was discussed. A minimum bid of \$500 was established on each trailer. Motion by Francis Martin, second by Dan Hoffman, to sell trailers. It was decided to store trailers over winter and advertise in April. If trailer is not sold, then would discuss at RA meeting to possibly set lower price.

Tire Collection Update: The tire collection for 2007 has been completed. Volumes are similar to last year. The RA paid the difference between the cost for tires they collected and what Auburndale billed. The difference paid by RA was \$504.

Comments, Problems & Questions: a) Light loads came from Stetsonville and Ford. Possible reasons for light loads were discussed. Motion by Dan Hoffman, second by Francis Martin, to treat as all other towns in past and invoice for half of transportation cost. Motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 19, 2008 at Chelsea Town Hall. Motion to adjourn at 9:00 PM by Ray Mallo and seconded by Bob Baker. Motion carried.

Susan Noland, Secretary

**Taylor County Recycling Authority
Mini Committee
October 11, 2007**

The mini-committee meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. Present were Ray Mallo, Scott Mildbrand, Dan Hoffman, Larry Peterson, Arlen Albrecht, and Sue Noland. Also in attendance for a portion of the meeting was Dale Marth from Veolia.

The projected container usage proposal from Veolia was reviewed. The initial bid had 45 containers and now they are proposing 54 containers total based on days and hours of sites. One question is if container numbers can be reduced if we later find less can be used. Dollar-wise, the new rate for Year 1 would be \$22,800 and by Year 5 the cost would be \$28,243 plus \$2700 (CPI & fuel surcharge) for a total of \$30,943. This would be \$3000 more than Commercial Recycling Corporation.

When Dale Marth joined the meeting the following were discussed:

- 5.5% is energy surcharge per month for fuel surcharge. This fluctuates and can be billed as we want. Members felt it should be billed quarterly. The CPI would be approximately an additional 3%.
- Discussed the response time from Veolia when we call with a question or changes. Do not want a 2 – 3 week wait. Dale indicated the schedule as proposed is automatic but we can call with changes.
- Veolia would weigh at initial start-up and then do an average of each commodity. They can also break out volume of yards by town. Veolia would re-weigh once a year to get new averages.
- Also discussed aluminum and tin going to other vendors. Dale indicated it is okay as is and if becomes a problem would ask us to change.
- If a change in containers is needed, would the price change be effective immediately or 4 months later when actually removed. Dale indicated would be priced adjusted when driver removes as soon as possible and signs off.
- Dale said he will create a log sheet for his drivers for when each container is serviced and volume in containers. He will add a quality column to track any contamination found in containers.
- Locks and chains for containers would be a one time charge of \$20 per container if required.

Motion by Dan Hoffman, second by Ray Mallo, to recommend to Recycling Authority to sign contract with Veolia. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Susan Noland, Secretary

TAYLOR COUNTY RECYCLING AUTHORITY

Tuesday, August 21, 2007
Little Black Town Hall

Members present were George Daniels, Ray Sackmann, Francis Martin, Tony & Ruth Prasnicky, Ray Mallo, Rod Kropp, Mike Roiger, Bob Baker, Allan Peissig, Rudy Soper, Ed Hamel and Harry Frosch (joined meeting at 8:15). Also present were Scott Mildebrand, Ron Roth, Don Walworth, Jim Kreklau, Joanne Smith, Arlen Albrecht, Sue Noland, and Larry Peterson. Also present was Dale Marth of Veolia. Absent was Stetsonville, Jump River, Grover, Maplehurst and Lublin.

The meeting was called to order by Administrator Peterson at 8:03 PM.

Appointing new Chairman: Administrator reported Ed Stroinski is sick and will no longer be Chairman of Recycling Authority. We need to appoint new chairman for Recycling Authority. Mike Roiger volunteered to serve as Temporary Chairman until a new Chairman is elected.

Meeting Minutes: The May 15th meeting minutes were reviewed. Motion by Rod Kropp and seconded by Tony Prasnicky, to approve the minutes as mailed. Motion carried.

Tour of CRC: A tour of Commercial Recycling Corporation was conducted earlier. Individuals present viewed two trailers, one full and one empty to go back out. We seen how they weigh the boxes, the baler, stacks of commodity to be processed and baled commodities ready for shipping out.

Mini-Committee Meeting Minutes: The Mini-Committee meeting minutes from the May 30th and August 13th meetings were reviewed. Peterson and Albrecht explained the procedures used to send out bids and how the bids were summarized for comparison.

Bid Summary Review: The summary of the three bids was reviewed and discussed. Mr. Dale Marth from Veolia was present. Questions were asked about the fuel surcharge and the 5½% CPI increase. Various questions were asked and answered regarding Veolia's bid. Roiger felt we should provide Veolia with the number of days and hours a month each site is open so Veolia can estimate the number of boxes needed at each site. The Mini-Committee will then meet and bring findings and recommendations to the October meeting. Motion by Rod Kropp and seconded by Harry Frosch, to authorize Administrator and Mini-Committee to further negotiate with Veolia and bring back results to the October meeting for consideration. Motion carried.

Little Black Recycling Agreement: The Town of Little Black's recycling agreement will expire on 12-31-07. The town will need to discuss and make a decision once we decide on which vendor we will use as of January 1, 2008.

Tonnages & Expenses: a) Tonnages for the 2nd quarter total 174,962 pounds. Previous quarter totals were 152,879 pounds and 3rd quarter totals are not complete yet. b) Expenses currently are \$78,875 with a current balance of \$51,163. Grant dollars received was \$108,828 and Recycling Efficiency Incentive Grant of \$10,514. Grant dollars were divided out to City, Joint Rib Lake and Westboro.

CRC Trailer Repair Bill: Commercial Recycling had trailer #19 repaired. The door latch/rod was repaired and mud flaps were put on. Motion by Harry Frosch, second by Tony Prasnicky, to approve payment of \$166.48 bill. Motion carried. Administrator reported trailer #15 needs to have brakes repaired. CRC will let Administrator know what has to be done and what the cost will be.

Grant & REIG Dollars: Grant and REIG dollars were previously discussed with expenses and revenue report. New applications for both grants are due by October 1st to the DNR. We will be applying for basic grant and REIG dollars again.

Tire Collection Update: The tire collection is completed. A tire collection comparison of 2006 and 2007 was reviewed. There are some discrepancies in the billings from Auburndale compared to what the towns tallied. After discussion, motion by Ray Mallo, second by Rod Kropp, to have Recycling Authority make use of grant dollars to make up the difference between towns actual count and Auburndales numbers. Motion carried.

Clean Sweep Report: Administrator reported on Clean Sweep in 2007 conducted for Taylor County residents. The total collected from all 4 sites on the 2 days were 13,519 pounds of hazardous waste collected, 2,223 fluorescent tubes, 313 oil filters, 188 households, 508 appliances & electronics, 94 lead acid batteries and 390 gallons waste oil.

Comments, Problems & Questions: a) Light load came from Stetsonville in Trailer #7. The total weight was 3350 pounds. The policy is for the municipality to pay half of the transportation cost if weight is less than 3500 pounds. Motion by Francis Martin, second by Ron Roth, to bill Stetsonville \$36 for half of transportation cost. Motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 23, 2007 at location to be announced. Motion to adjourn at 9:20 PM by Ron Roth and seconded by Rod Kropp. Motion carried.

Susan Noland, Secretary

Taylor County Recycling Authority

Mini Committee

August 13, 2007

The mini-committee meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. Present were Ray Mallo, Scott Mildbrand, Mike Roiger, Ron Roth, Larry Peterson, Arlen Albrecht, and Sue Noland.

Mike Roiger was elected Acting Chairman. Dan Hoffman was absent and asked Ron Roth to take his place.

Motion by Ray Mallo and seconded by Scott Mildbrand, to approve the minutes of the May 30th, 2007 meeting as mailed. Motion carried.

The three bids received and summary of bids was reviewed. Arlen explained the summary of the bid analysis. The 3 bids reviewed were from Commercial Recycling, Waste Management and Veolia. The bottom line charge for cost per ton of total program cost was : Commercial Recycling Corporation \$166, Waste Management \$221 or \$254 (depending upon 1 or 2 site attendants) and Veolia \$127 or \$150 (depending upon 1 or 2 site attendants).

Questions raised were:

- 1) Is Veolia bid contingent upon garbage service too?
- 2) Fuel surcharge not increased, if the fuel prices stay the same.

It was decided to leave the garbage issue alone and each municipality should deal on their own.

Final recommendation of members were:

Ray Mallo – stay where we are, it's working and hate to screw it up.

Scott Mildbrand – go with Veolia due to cheaper.

Dan Hoffman – (per Ron Roth) he would go with Veolia.

Motion to adjourn at 10:05 a.m. by Scott Mildbrand and second by Ray Mallo. Motion carried.

Susan Noland, Secretary

Taylor County Recycling Authority

Mini Committee

May 30, 2007

The mini-committee meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. Present were Ed Stroinski, Ray Mallo, Scott Mildbrand, Dan Hoffman, Larry Peterson, Arlen Albrecht, and Sue Noland.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss negotiations of a new contract for recycling services.

Ed Stroinski reported on his findings when he talked to adjacent towns and their recycling/garbage operations.

Arlen reported on his conversation with Veolia. They are not interested in our trailer system. If they were to pick up our commodity, the items would go to their Wausau merf. Commercial Recycling was also contacted. They are not interested in co-mingling. They need to ensure the product is of quality. Arlen also reported the committee can tour Commercial Recycling at 7 p.m. on August 21 prior to the regular scheduled meeting at the Little Black Town Hall.

We will be requesting bids for services: (1) bid for recycling services and (2) garbage collection if vendor is interested. One requirement will be that the vendor furnish the roll-off containers. Bid options will include source separation, co-mingling, or go main-stream.

Committee also discussed the possibility of consolidating some of the recycling sites. It was decided to not consider this at this time.

Data will be compiled to determine current costs/ton based different programs.

Peterson and Albrecht will draft the specifications and forward to the mini-committee. Committee should verify areas addressed and get comments back prior to sending out to vendors. Vendors will be required to submit bid by July 20, 2007.

The next meeting was scheduled for August 13 to review submitted bids.
Meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Susan Noland, Secretary

TAYLOR COUNTY RECYCLING AUTHORITY

Tuesday, May 15, 2007
Maplehurst Town Hall

Members present were Ed Stroinski, George Daniels, Ray Sackmann, Francis Martin, Daniel Hoffman, Tony & Ruth Prasnicki, Ray Mallo, Rod Kropp, Mike Roiger, William Dmytro and Mark Nosko. Also present were Scott Mildebrand, Ron Roth, Ed Hamel, Arlen Albrecht, Sue Noland, and Larry Peterson. Absent was Stetsonville (excused), Hammel, Jump River, Ford, Grover and Lublin.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ed Stroinski at 8:00 PM. Motion by Mike Roiger and seconded by Dan Hoffman, to approve the minutes of the February 20th, 2007 meeting as mailed. Motion carried.

Tonnages & Expenses: a) Tonnages: 1st quarter tons and month of April were reviewed. Tons are down slightly from previous quarter total and also last year total.
b) Expenses: revenues for starting 2007 were \$10,614. Expenses so far are approximately \$9,153. Current balance is \$1,461. We will receive grant dollars in June from the State.

Report on tour of WM facilities: A tour of the Waste Management Minneapolis and Chippewa Falls facilities was conducted. Approximately 20 Taylor County people went on the bus. Waste Management will reimburse Taylor County for the 3 extra people picked up along the way. Members that went on tour were really impressed with the operations. Motion by Mike Roiger and seconded by Dan Hoffman, to approve and pay the Krug Bus Service bill. Motion carried.

Grant dollars for 2007: The Administrator reported on 2007 basic grant and Recycling Efficiency Incentive Grant dollars that will be received. A total of \$108,828.73 for basic grant and \$10,514.40 for REIG. The total funds available for the Taylor County Recycling Authority will be approximately \$60,484. Monies should be sent to us by the end of June from the DNR.

Trailer sale: Trailer #1 was sold. Dan Hoffman was the high bidder of \$652. There were a total of 6 bids received.

Tire Collection: The 2007 tire collection was discussed. Administrator Peterson talked to Auburndale Tire Recycling and cost per ton will remain the same at \$115/ton. A tentative schedule was reviewed. We are looking at 4 dates to collect from all 17 municipalities, Westboro and Melvin Company starting August 4th and ending August 18th. Discussed was the fact that the towns are making up the difference with the price/ton increase. Members felt this is doable if it keeps the tires coming in and not in the road ditches. Motion by Rod Kropp and seconded by Francis Martin, to approve leaving the rates the same as last year: \$1/\$5/\$10. Motion carried. Information will be sent out in June to the participating towns.

Clean Sweep: Clean Sweep statistics for May 12 were reviewed. A total of 97 participants came through the chemical collection at Stetsonville and 156 vehicles through appliance with 375 appliances collected. There were 10 participants at Jump River with 25 appliances collected.
The Stetsonville site was very busy and lots of volumes were collected. Jump River was slower, likely due to the fact that the Jump River/McKinley site collects appliances at their recycling site.

Contract Negotiations: Contract negotiations will need to be started. The current contract will expire on December 31, 2007. We would like to tour our current processor, Commercial Recycling Corporation, and also Veolia, if they are interested.

Some issues to address during negotiations are: if the County picks up, who provides the containers, what costs will be, and what type of separation will be allowed.

The Mini-Committee formed to conduct negotiations will be Mike Roiger, Ray Mallo, Dan Hoffman and Ed Stroinski.

Comments, Problems & Questions: a) Commercial Recycling asked that each site put down boards/planks at each site for under dollies. In the spring, sites are soft and during hot summers, blacktop gets spongy. b) Pictures of trailers were passed around – one site is sorted correctly and looks great, the other one is messy and commodities are all over the floor. A two-hour bill (extra charge) was submitted by CRC for separating the material and was given to the town for payment per Recycling Authority policy.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 21, 2007 at Little Black Town Hall. Motion to adjourn at 9:05 PM by Mike Roiger and seconded by Ray Mallo. Motion carried.

Susan Noland, Secretary

TAYLOR COUNTY RECYCLING AUTHORITY

Tuesday, February 20, 2007
County Board Room

Members present were Ed Stroinski, Harry Frosch, Leroy Jensen, Randy Mayer, Ray Sackmann, Francis Martin, Daniel Hoffman, Tony Prasnicky, Ray Mallo, Rod Kropp, Mike Roiger, Bob Baker, William Dmytro and Allen Beadles. Also present were Scott Mildebrand, Don Walworth, Rudy Soper, Arlen Albrecht, Sue Noland, and Larry Peterson. Absent was Grover, Maplehurst and Lublin.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ed Stroinski at 8:00 PM. Motion by Mike Roiger and seconded by Ray Mallo, to approve the minutes of the November 28th, 2006 meeting as mailed. Motion carried.

Tonnages & Expenses:

- a) Tonnages for Year-End 2006 were down approximately 2,300 pounds from 2005.
- b) Expenses were reviewed after closing out 2006 books. The balance at Year-End was \$9,762.81 (\$3000 for a trailer purchase and \$6,762.81 for administrative costs.)

Reimbursements of Year-End Funds: Reimbursements back to municipalities were discussed. A total of \$23,319.71 was disbursed back to the towns on a per capita basis. This was for town expenses to cover member operating costs.

Tonnages & Expenses to Date: The 2007 expenses and tons information was handed out. We are not very far into the year so not much to compare yet.

Recycling Efficiency Incentive Grant Application: We will be applying for a REI grant again for 2008. We will work with Westboro for an oil filter collection this summer and submit the grant application in October for 2008 dollars.

We will not know until April what our basic grant dollars awarded will be; and in May if REIG dollars will be awarded.

Trailer purchase: Trailers were discussed:

- a) A 1995 48' Stoughton trailer was purchased for \$2,849 including licensing. The new trailer is in very good shape.
- b) Trailer #1 can now be sold. Several people have inquired into buying. Committee requested we put the trailer sale out on bids. It was stated a minimum bid is not required, as there appears to be quite a bit of interest in the trailer.
- c) Discussed letter with Commercial Recycling Corporation discussing trailer loading. A letter was handed out to RA members from discussion with CRC on December 22, 2006 on loading recycling trailers.

Report Cards: There were questions from the report cards printing as to the NR544 volumes. Albrecht explained how he comes up with pounds per capita to meet the DNR requirements of 83.7#'s per person.

Comments, Problems & Questions: Arlen has been talking with Don Mansky (Waste Management) to get a tour set-up of their material recovery facility in the Twin Cities. Also discussed visiting CRC when they unload trailers from our fleet. Group will leave Medford at 7:30 on Tuesday, March 20th and go to Chippewa and then to Minneapolis to view Waste Management operations.

Contract negotiations will be put on agenda for May to discuss and appoint a mini-committee for recycling and transportation vendors.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 15, 2007 at Maplehurst Town Hall. Motion to adjourn at 9:15 PM by Al Beadles and seconded by Dan Hoffman. Motion carried.

Susan Noland, Secretary