

SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING MINUTES

December 13, 2007

Ground Floor Conference Room

Administrator reported Ed Stroinski has passed on and Mike Roiger is on Committee as Ed's replacement as Mike is Acting Chairman of Recycling Authority.

First Order of Business – The Solid Waste & Recycling Committee meeting was called to order at 10:35 AM by Chairman Werner. Present were John Werner, George Southworth, Dennis Fuchs, Larry Ziembo, Barb Kallenbach, Mike Roiger, Larry Peterson and Sue Noland. John Fales was absent. Arlen Albrecht was excused.

Second Order of Business – Motion by Ziembo to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2007 meeting as mailed, seconded by Kallenbach. Motion carried.

Third Order of Business – Motion by Roiger to approve the agenda, seconded by Fuchs. Motion carried.

Fourth Order of Business – The Recycling Authority activities were reviewed:

- a) Tons collected are approximately the same. Municipalities are doing ok.
- b) The expenses to date for the Recycling Authority are \$93,335 with a balance available of \$41,203. We should be in good shape with only 1½ months of expenses yet.

Fifth Order of Business – A Basic Recycling Grant and Recycling Efficiency Incentive Grant (REIG) have been submitted to the DNR. The 3 group consortium total request to the DNR was \$269,965. Dollars are usually received in June. There is a possibility our grant dollars may be increased due to an increase of tipping fees.

Sixth Order of Business – The tire collection was reviewed. The numbers were down slightly. Tire numbers decreased starting in 2003 when no more free tires were allowed. If the towns wish to allow free tires, it is their decision.

Seventh Order of Business – The Recycling Authority has gone to a new recycling program where the trailers will no longer be used and Veolia will place containers for two sorts; one sort being all paper products and the second one being all containers. Some towns will have two containers with the most being five at a site. The new contract starts January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2012. The Recycling Authority will sell trailers in April or May.

Eighth Order of Business – Each year we put up a display at the Taylor County Fair. We are in need of another display board at a cost of \$199.00. Motion by Ziembo to approve purchase of a display board, seconded by Southworth. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be at the call of the Chairman. Motion by Fuchs to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 AM, seconded by Roiger. Motion carried.

Lawrence G. Peterson
Zoning Administrator

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August 16, 2007

Ground Floor Conference Room

The Solid Waste & Recycling Committee meeting was called to order at 10:31 AM by Chairman Werner. Present were John Werner, George Southworth, Dennis Fuchs, Larry Ziembo, Larry Peterson and Sue Noland. John Fales and Barb Kallenbach were absent along with Arlen Albrecht.

First Order of Business – Motion by Ziembo to approve the minutes of the April 5, 2007 meeting as mailed, seconded by Southworth. Motion carried.

Second Order of Business – Clean Sweep collection summaries were reviewed for the May and July sites. For all 4 sites, a total of 13,519 pounds of hazardous waste, 2,223 fluorescent tubes, 313 oil filters, 166 households served, 508 old appliances collected, 94 lead batteries and 390 gallons of waste oil were collected. A very successful year.

Third Order of Business – The Recycling Authority activities were reviewed:

- c) Expenses and revenues – The total expenses to date are \$78,875 with a balance left of \$51,163. The tonnages for the second quarter total 174,962 pounds, first quarter total of 152,879 pounds and third quarter to date of 59,206 pounds.
- d) Bid Negotiations - on December 31, 2007 the current recycling contract with Commercial Recycling Corporation (CRC) will expire. We requested bids and received three from CRC, Veolia and Waste Management. The Recycling Authority Mini-Committee met and recommended to the Recycling Authority to go with Veolia bid. The Recycling Authority will meet on August 21st and make the final decision.

Fourth Order of Business – The 2007 Basic Grant of \$108,828.73 was received in June. The Recycling Efficiency Incentive grant of \$10,514.40 was also received. Funds were distributed to the City, Joint Rib Lake and Westboro.

Fifth Order of Business – We will be working on grant applications for 2008. Applications are due October 1st, 2007. We are hoping to receive approximately the same dollars as for 2007.

Sixth Order of Business – The proposed 2008 budgets for Solid Waste Disposal, Recycling Act 335, and Clean Sweep accounts were reviewed. Motion by Fuchs to approve proposed budgets, seconded by Southworth. Motion carried.

Seventh Order of Business – The State is looking at increasing the tipping fee \$3/ton. The Governor is looking at recycling funds to be transferred for other uses (approximately \$6 million).

Other Business - Old tires are being collected at this time. With the towns that have collected, it appears we are down slightly. Final information will be presented at next meeting.

The next meeting will be at the call of the Chairman. Motion by Southworth to adjourn the meeting at 11:35 AM, seconded by Ziembo. Motion carried.

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Zoning Administrator

SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING MINUTES

April 5, 2007

County Board Room

The Solid Waste & Recycling Committee meeting was called to order at 10:15 AM by Chairman Werner. Present were John Werner, George Southworth, Barb Kallenbach, Larry Ziembo, Arlen Albrecht, Larry Peterson and Sue Noland. Ed Stroinski joined later as he was attending a prior meeting. John Fales called and was unable to attend.

First Order of Business – Motion by Southworth to approve the minutes of the August 24, 2006 meeting as mailed, seconded by Ziembo. Motion carried.

Second Order of Business – Clean Sweep dates, places, and times were reviewed for 2007. The prices were also reviewed for appliances, electronics, etc. One new item is Blasel will pay the County \$1.00 for car and truck batteries. Motion by Ziembo to approve Clean Sweep program as set-up, seconded by Barb Kallenbach. Motion carried.

Third Order of Business – The Recycling Authority activities were reviewed:

- e) 2006 Year-End Closeout: approximately \$23,000 was left at year end and was distributed back to the 17 Recycling Authority members. A balance of \$9,762.81 will be carried forward to 2007 to start operating program until grant dollars come in June. Our current contract with Commercial Recycling Corporation (CRC) will expire at end of year; therefore, contract will be bid out.
- f) Tonnages: volumes were discussed. In 2005, 355.13 tons were collected. In 2006 the tons were 353.8.
- g) A State Recycling grant for 2007 was submitted last fall for the 3 consortium group. Approximately \$360,000 was requested for operating expenses.
- h) Overall program status is everything has been going well. Not many problems/concerns coming from CRC. A concern of ours is the fact that the State keeps taking more recycling dollars and putting towards other programs. Bottom line, there has been no increase in grant dollars since 1999.

Fourth Order of Business – Albrecht and Peterson gave an update and showed pictures taken on the Waste Management (WM) trip to St. Paul Minnesota to view Waste Management's merf. All the recyclables come in mixed together and the machines separate by magnets, optical light, fans, etc to separate the products. WM processes approximately 70-75 tons per day at this facility. Three hundred trucks a day unload at site. The Recycling Authority will be looking at various options and decide which way to go. Discussed was the fact that changing to a co-mingled program will cost more and will be the final stage as we won't be able to go back to the old system.

Fifth Order of Business – The 2006 Solid Waste & Recycling Office Annual Report was reviewed for recycling operations. Statistics were reviewed along with program operations. One new item coming up will be the collection of medical wastes in 2008 through Clean Sweep.

Other Business - Albrecht reported on the Timothy Wenk, Magic of Recycling, program. There is a possibility of Wenk coming to Wisconsin this year. The Committee felt this would be a good program if we can put it together.

Peterson reported Bog Frog is also a recycling program for all County residents that runs on the local radio station. Motion by Southworth to authorize the recycling Bog Frog program, seconded by Stroinski. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be at the call of the Chairman. Motion by Ziembo to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 AM, seconded by Southworth. Motion carried.

Lawrence G. Peterson
Zoning Administrator