

SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING COMMITTEE MINUTES  
September 18, 2012  
County Board Room

**First Order of Business** – The Solid Waste & Recycling Committee meeting was called to order at 9:50 AM by Chairman Fuchs. Present were Dennis Fuchs, Les Lewis, Dan Makovsky, Larry Ziembo, Mike Roiger, Kyle Noonan and Sue Noland. Barb Kallenbach & John Fales joined shortly after meeting was called to order. Arlen Albrecht was excused.

**Second Order of Business** – Motion by Roiger to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2012 meeting as mailed, seconded by Lewis. Motion carried.

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

**Fourth Order of Business** – Review Tons/Expenses to date.

- a) There were 180 tons collected in 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter. The tons are up from last quarter and also from last year quarter totals.
- b) The current balance available is \$50,993. There will be three months of servicing, tire bill and miscellaneous office expenses expected. We should have enough funds through year-end.

**Fifth Order of Business** – A resolution designating Recycling Coordinator as representative to file recycling grants was reviewed. With retirement of previous administrator a new authorizing resolution needs to be completed. We are now naming a position rather than identifying a name. Motion by Lewis to approve Resolution Designating Recycling Coordinator as Representative, seconded by Roiger. Motion carried.

**Sixth Order of Business** – Acting Administrator Noland reported that 2013 recycling grant needs to be finalized and submitted to the DNR by October 1. The grant submitted would again include the City and Joint Rib Lake costs.

**Seventh Order of Business** – All the Clean Sweeps have been conducted for 2012. There was a total of 14,196 pounds of chemicals collected from the 4 sites; 338# of pharmaceuticals, 4643 fluorescent bulbs, 300 gallons waste oil, 200 old appliances and 1461 old electronics. There were approximately 666 participants for all events. It was a good collection year again.

**Eighth Order of Business** – The tire collection program was discussed. The number of tires collected is down from last year. In 2011 we collected 8371 tires and in 2012 approximately 2200 tires. This year there were no free tires. The bill has not been received from Bee Line yet.

**Ninth Order of Business** – Other business:

- 1) Sue reported a bid packet for a recycling contract was completed and sent out to six vendors. Bids are due on October 15<sup>th</sup>. The Negotiating Committee will review the bid summary the following week to recommend a vendor to the Recycling Authority at their November meeting.
- 2) The Ag Plastic program currently has 120 super totes distributed with four placed at Recycling sites. Arlen had sent out information to all Taylor County municipalities about the program for the towns to decide if they wish to participate. Arlen also is working on equipment to load/unload totes from locations and for “drop-off” day.

The next meeting will be at the call of the Chairman. Motion by Kallenbach to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 AM, seconded by Makovsky. Motion carried.

Susan Noland  
Acting Zoning Administrator

## SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING COMMITTEE MINUTES

August 14, 2012

County Board Room

**First Order of Business** – The Solid Waste & Recycling Committee meeting was called to order at 10:20 AM by Chairman Fuchs. Present were Dennis Fuchs, Les Lewis, Dan Makovsky, Larry Ziembo, Barb Kallenbach (joined the meeting at 10:30), Mike Roiger, Arlen Albrecht, Larry Peterson and Sue Noland. John Fales was excused.

**Second Order of Business** – Motion by Roiger to approve the minutes of the June 26, 2012 meeting as mailed, seconded by Ziembo. Motion carried.

**Third Order of Business** – Motion by Roiger to approve the agenda with revision of Ag plastics update, seconded by Ziembo. Motion carried.

**Fourth Order of Business** – Review Tons/Expenses to date.

- a) Currently the tons are up 14 ton from previous quarter.
- b) The expenses to date are \$64,931 leaving a balance of \$54,905.

**Fifth Order of Business** – The Administrative Assistant presented the 2013 proposed budgets for Recycling Act 335, Solid Waste Disposal, Clean Sweep, Clean Sweep Household and Clean Sweep Agriculture. Motion by Ziembo to approve the proposed 2013 budgets and forward to the Budget Review Committee, seconded by Kallenbach. Motion carried.

**Sixth Order of Business** – A Clean Sweep was held on May 19 in Medford and Gilman. There was approximately 9700 pounds of waste collected, 341 pounds of pharmaceuticals (4-30 gallon barrels full), 2400 fluorescent tubes, 200 gallons of waste oil, 259 oil filters, 157 old appliances and 1000 electronics collected. The next Clean Sweep will be held on August 16<sup>th</sup>. It was discussed that maybe for future events to collect at Medford longer and shorten Gilman to accommodate for the higher volumes/participants in Medford.

**Seventh Order of Business** – The tire collection started August 4<sup>th</sup> and will be done August 18. So far, the volumes are down likely due to no free tires this year. Program will be evaluated once all tallies are received and bill submitted.

**Eighth Order of Business** – The Basic 2013 Recycling Grant is due October 1<sup>st</sup>. We will prepare and submit application after contract negotiations are done. We will also need to do a new authorizing resolution due to Administrator retirement.

**Ninth Order of Business** – Ag plastic update by Arlen Albrecht. There have been 75 – 80 Super sack bags distributed to farms and no cost to collect ag plastic. Bags were distributed from Medford Co-op, Gilman Feed and Rib Lake Recycling Consortium. Advertising is on the radio to promote program along with a display being at the Taylor County Fair. The contract is still pending with Rubber Sidewalks Inc. for the County to be paid \$30/ton and pick-up all totes in Taylor County or have company pay for the landfilling costs if plastic not recycled.

The next meeting will be at the call of the Chairman. Motion by Makovsky to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 AM, seconded by Ziembo. Motion carried.

Lawrence G. Peterson  
Zoning Administrator

## SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING MINUTES

June 26, 2012

County Board Room

**First Order of Business** – The Solid Waste & Recycling Committee meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by Chairman Fuchs. Present were Dennis Fuchs, Les Lewis, Dan Makovsky, Larry Ziembo, Barb Kallenbach, Mike Roiger, Larry Peterson and Sue Noland. Arlen Albrecht was excused. John Fales was absent.

**Second Order of Business** – Motion by Roiger to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2012 meeting as mailed, seconded by Ziembo. Motion carried.

**Third Order of Business** – Motion by Kallenbach to approve the agenda as posted, seconded by Ziembo. Motion carried.

**Fourth Order of Business** – Review Tons/Expenses to date.

- a) Expenses – Current balance is \$60,000. The grant dollars of \$88,726 were received. Distributions have been made to Joint Rib Lake and City of Medford.
- b) Tons – The second quarter tons are incomplete due to June weights missing when report was generated. It appears volumes should be up.

**Fifth Order of Business** – Clean Sweep results were reviewed from the collections in Medford and Gilman on May 19. There were 251 participants with hazardous waste, 231 participants with 811 electronics collected, 91 participants with 133 appliances collected in Medford. In Gilman there were 49 participants with hazardous waste, 43 participants with 195 electronics collected and 18 participants with 24 appliances. A total of 9703 pounds of chemicals were collected, 2394 fluorescent tubes, 259 oil filters and 200 gallons waste oil. A very successful event.

**Sixth Order of Business** – The Tire Collection will be conducted again in August. The Recycling Authority decided no free tires and costs will be car/\$2.00; truck/\$5.00; and tractor/\$10.00. Bee Line will be vendor to pick up tires from site. Cost will be \$150 per ton.

**Seventh Order of Business** – Ag plastic use is increasing every year in Taylor County. Currently disposal is by letting it blow in the wind, illegal burning, burying, etc. A solution is for Supersack Totes (3' X 3' X 5') to be placed on local farms for collecting black and white plastic, twine, fertilizer bags and even greenhouse plastic. Bags could be handed out to farmers through feed companies and possibly Joint Rib Lake Recycling Center. There would **be a collection two times a year within County where Rubber Sidewalks Company would** collect and pay \$30/ton for plastic. Only cost to County would be advertising of project and loading plastic onto semi-truck.

Program sounds reasonable if we can get the participation. Motion by Roiger, second by Ziembo, to do on a trial basis with a one year contract for ag plastic recycling proposal. Motion carried.

**Eighth Order of Business** – Current recycling contract will expire on December 31, 2012. Negotiations will have to be done this summer. Hopefully program can continue as in the past.

The next meeting will be at the call of the Chairman. Motion by Makovsky to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 AM, seconded by Kallenbach. Motion carried.

Lawrence G. Peterson  
Zoning Administrator

SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING MINUTES  
February 15, 2012  
County Board Room

**First Order of Business** – The Solid Waste & Recycling Committee meeting was called to order at 10:20 AM by Chairman Werner. Present were John Werner, Dave Lemke, Dennis Fuchs, Larry Ziembo, Mike Roiger, Arlen Albrecht, Larry Peterson, Sue Noland and Mark Berglund, Star News. Barb Kallenbach and John Fales were absent.

**Second Order of Business** – Motion by Roiger to approve the agenda and minutes of the August 23, 2011 meeting as mailed, seconded by Ziembo. Motion carried.

**Third Order of Business** – Review Tons/Expenses to date.

- a) Expenses – At close-out of Year-End 2011 there is a balance of \$31,110. This will carry forward to 2012. We are anticipating a grant of \$84,000 which will be split with City & Joint Rib Lake.
- b) Tons – There were 291,065 pounds collected in 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. The total for year was 1,258,621 pounds. This is 629 ton of recyclables. Last year, 562 tons of recyclables were collected.

**Fourth Order of Business** – Veolia, our current recycling contractor, is up for sale. We do not know at this time if we will be continuing with Veolia in the future or if another company will purchase.

**Fifth Order of Business** – Contractor negotiations: Express Disposal is a vendor in the Thorp area that has shown interest in our recycling program. We will be putting out bids later this year for a new vendor as current contract expires December 31, 2012. There are approximately 3 or 4 vendors in area.

**Sixth Order of Business** – The report card statistics for recyclables collected were reviewed. The State minimum standard is 83.7#/person for recyclables. There is only one municipality that is at 73#. The other towns range from 90 to 214#/person. They are doing a great job. Average per capita poundage is 134 lbs.

**Seventh Order of Business** – Clean Sweep will be held May 19 in Medford and Gilman and August 16 in Rib Lake and Roosevelt/Lublin. 5R will take electronics at no charge. We will pay Northwest Regional Planning Commission \$9100 to collect and dispose of chemicals. Blasel will take appliances with charges similar to last year.

**Eighth Order of Business** – Other business: Arlen reported he wrote another grant for Ag plastic. Compacting cages are placed on farms, but getting rid of plastic bales is still a problem.

The next meeting will be at the call of the Chairman. Motion by Roiger to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 AM, seconded by Ziembo. Motion carried.

Lawrence G. Peterson  
Zoning Administrator