

TAYLOR COUNTY RECYCLING AUTHORITY

Tuesday, November 19, 2013
Holway Town Hall

Members present were Mike Roiger, Scott Mildbrand, Francis Martin, Bob Baker, Harry & Matt Sweda, Ray Sackman, Otto Klinger, Leigh Sahlin, Daniel Hoffman, Mark Nosko, Joe & Renee Zenner, Del Kroepflin, Jenny & Rick Nehls, Kyle Noonan, and Sue Noland. Also present was Ed Robaczewski, Sarah Holtz and Arlen Albrecht. Absent were Stetsonville, Jump River, Cleveland, McKinley and Grover. Excused was Goodrich.

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

Meeting Minutes & Agenda: Motion by Leigh Sahlin and seconded by Francis Martin, to approve the August 20th, 2013 minutes and the agenda as mailed. Motion carried.

Tonnages & Expenses to Date:

1. Tons: Administrator reported this quarter totals are down slightly from last quarter but up from last year quarter at this time.
2. Expenses: We have a current balance of \$47,924.27. We estimate another \$3000 of expenses to year-end. It is anticipated to carry forward approximately \$40,000.

Review Summary of Bills: Advanced Disposal bill summary for September, October and November was reviewed. There have been no changes over the past three months.

Review Container Changes: Taft asked what the cost would be for another container at their site. It would be \$35/month. Deer Creek stated they have an extra one at their hall not being used. Taft will let us know if they want it.

Joint Rib Lake Agreement: The agreement for Joint Rib Lake Consortium was discussed. Motion by Joe Zenner and seconded by Bob Baker, to sign agreement with Joint Rib Lake Consortium to continue cooperative recycling for 2014. Motion carried. Rib Lake has already approved and signed agreement.

Discuss Tire Collections Conducted and Billing: The 2013 Tire Collection was discussed. A chart was reviewed for number of tires and dollars collected from towns and also estimated Bee Line weights and dollars for tires. This was the first year with the price/tire increase which was advantageous to cover actual costs, but there were a few towns that were short in dollars. After discussion, motion by Leigh Salin, seconded by Dan Hoffman, to have towns pay the dollars that they collected based on number/size of tires. Motion carried. Recycling office will send invoices to towns. A suggestion was made from Bee Line to combine small volumes of tires with another municipality for pick-up purposes.

Ag/Film Plastic Collection: It was reported there were a total of approximately 140 totes brought to the October collection of Ag & film plastics from Medford & Gilman. There was a demonstration held on October 23rd to bale some plastic. When baled, each tote made one bale. There were a total of 40 bales made with Cuber. Another experiment was tried at Wadal Plastic where 6 totes were baled into one big bale weighing an estimated 1200 pounds. The bale was loaded in truck to get weighed and the wire broke and bale fell apart.

We still do not have a concrete outlet to get rid of plastic. The company we are dealing with does not commit. After a lengthy discussion, Arlen proposed to offer some dollars to get the current totes gone. Motion by Leigh Salin, seconded by Harry Sweda, to approve \$600 - \$1000 of recycling dollars to get plastic baled/transported to Eau Claire. Motion carried with Dan Hoffman opposed.

Brochures/Report Cards: The recycling brochures will be reprinted. We went over any changes with towns present at meeting. A decision needs to be made if film plastic will be collected in 2014. If not, a letter will be sent to towns about not collecting. Brochures will be distributed with tax bills.

Comments, Problems & Questions: A Focus on Energy promotion was handed out for recycling old working 10 – 30 cubic foot freezers and refrigerators. If requirements are met, they will pay \$50 for unit.

Meeting Schedule: The meeting schedule was discussed at last meeting about changing the frequency of meetings. Administrator went through major areas which require action/discussion for meetings. Motion by Leigh Sahlin and seconded by Dan Hoffman, to switch from every 3 months to every 4 months and change back if it becomes a problem. Motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 18, 2014 at Town of Browning Hall. Motion to adjourn at 9:00 PM by Dan Hoffman and seconded by Leigh Sahlin. Motion carried.

Susan Noland, Secretary

TAYLOR COUNTY RECYCLING AUTHORITY

Tuesday, August 20, 2013
Deer Creek Town Hall

Members present were Mike Roiger, Francis Martin, Bob Baker, Harry & Matt Sweda, Randy Mayer, Ray Sackman, Otto Klinger, Ruth & Tony Prasnicky, Dennis Raasch, Mary Quante, Leigh Sahlin, Kyle Noonan, and Sue Noland. Also present were Harley Waldhart and Emily Quante. Absent were Taft, Maplehurst, Jump River and Hammel. Excused were Holway, Little Black, Cleveland and Arlen Albrecht.

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

Meeting Minutes: Motion by Harry Sweda and seconded by Leigh Sahlin, to approve the May 21st, 2013 minutes as printed. Motion carried.

Agenda: Motion by Leigh Sahlin and seconded by Dennis Raasch, to approve the agenda as mailed. Motion carried.

2013 Tonnages & Expenses to Date:

1. Tons: The total pounds to date are 726,338 or 363 ton. Second quarter total is 432,223 pounds which is up from previous quarter and last year quarter totals.
2. Expenses: The expenses to date were reviewed. Currently we have a balance of \$64,692. There are 5 months of operating and tire collection bills to be paid yet.

Review Summary of Bills: Advanced Disposal bill summary was reviewed. Current charges are \$2155 per month for servicing containers for 18 municipalities. Towns should let us know if any changes are required.

Review Clean Sweep Collections: A report on the Clean Sweep collections was given. In May, collections were held in Medford and Gilman. There were 9797 pounds of chemicals collected, 260 vehicles came to the 2 sites, 4900 fluorescent tubes collected, 266 oil filters, 121 old appliances and 1252 electronics. In August, collections were in Westboro and Hannibal. There were a total of 127 participants (92 in Westboro and 35 in Hannibal). A total of 430 electronics and 60 old appliances were collected. Surveys indicate there are still a significant number of residents attending a Clean Sweep for the first time. Miscellaneous questions were answered about the program. It was also noted that there were 590 TVs brought in this year to the events. Pharmaceuticals were less, likely due to the drop box in Sheriff's Department. At this time we do not have the volumes for the August event from NWRPC. Members asked if we will conduct the same program in 2014.

Tire Collection Results: The number of tires collected in 2013 and comparison from 2011 and 2012 was reviewed. We are up 200 tires from last year. We had a record year in 2011 when some free tires were allowed. We will review program at November meeting once all tires are picked up, weighed and bill received to discuss invoicing to the towns.

Ag Plastic Collection: Kyle reported on information from Arlen regarding a baler. This on farm ag plastic baler could possibly hold a super tote. If a baler were available, the farmers could bring their super totes to collection site and bale into 350# condensed bales. Unfortunately the cost of baler is \$6100.00. The next collections will be October 16 in Medford and October 17 in Gilman.

Comments, Problems & Questions: 1) Follow-up from last meeting was given regarding drainage hole in containers. Advanced Disposal prefers not to put additional holes in due to rusting. The containers do have a plug in the bottom which can be removed; 2) The registration for E-cycle has been completed to the DNR. The 2014 grant application will be completed and submitted by October 1st; and 3) A suggestion was made to possibly

reduce the quarterly meetings to 2 or 3 per year. Members should think about this and we will discuss at November meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 19, 2013 in Town of Holway. Motion to adjourn at 8:45 PM by Harry Sweda and seconded by Leigh Sahlin. Motion carried.

Susan Noland, Secretary

TAYLOR COUNTY RECYCLING AUTHORITY

Tuesday, May 21, 2013
Taft Town Hall

Members present were Mike Roiger, Francis Martin, Bob Baker, Harry & Matt Sweda, Joe & Renee Zenner, Rick & Jenny Nehls. Randy Mayer, Ray Sackman, Otto Klinger, Ruth & Tony Prasnicky, Darrell Thompson & Del Kroeplin, Mark Nosko, Archie Williams & Jim Harp, Leigh Sahlin, Kyle Noonan, and Sue Noland. Absent were Grover, Goodrich, Little Black and Jump River. Excused was Arlen Albrecht.

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

Meeting Minutes: Motion by Harry Sweda and seconded by Leigh Sahlin, to approve the February 26th, 2013 minutes as mailed. Motion carried.

Agenda: Motion by Otto Klinger and seconded by Leigh Sahlin, to approve the agenda as mailed. Motion carried.

2013 Tonnages & Expenses:

1. Tons: Sue reported the 1st quarter tons were 294,026 pounds. This is up 20,000 pounds from 4th quarter of 2012.
2. Expenses: The expenses to date are \$26,748.87. Sue indicated the grant check from the DNR of \$88,693.95 was received. Taylor County will retain \$44,246 grant dollars for a total of approximately \$70,000 available to the Taylor County Recycling Authority. The funds appropriated for Joint Rib Lake and City of Medford will be distributed.

Review Summary of Bills: Advanced Disposal bill summary was reviewed. The last three months were \$6465 for all 16 sites. There were no requests for changes in number of containers or servicing frequency from the members present.

Tire Collection Dates and Prices: The proposed schedule for dates of tire collection was reviewed. Kyle reported that 4 vendors were contacted for bids. Bee Line indicated they would go with same price as last year at \$150/ton; Liberty Tire fka Auburndale bid was \$170/ton; Eagle Waste was not interested; and Schultz bid was .10/ton plus \$80/hour transportation. Motion by Bob Baker and seconded by Leigh Sahlin, to accept bid of Bee Line for \$150/ton. Motion carried. Next discussed were the charges per tire and adding another category for oversized/heavier tires. The estimated cost per tire based on \$150/ton was discussed and also the size and weight of end loader, grader and skidder tires. After discussion, motion by Randy Mayer and seconded by Leigh Sahlin, to approve car (up to 20") tires at \$2; truck (20-24") tires at \$10; tractor (over 24") tires at \$15; and oversize tires at \$50. Oversize tires would include bigger tires that are not a tractor tire. Motion carried.

Super Tote/Ag Plastic Collection: Kyle reported at the April super tote collections there were approximately 70 bags collected in Medford and 30 in Gilman. There was a fairly equal amount of black & white plastic; mixed plastic sacks, twin and mesh; and white bale wrap. There has not been feedback from the company at this time whether the plastic was "clean" enough. The next collection will occur in October. A brochure prepared by Arlen was handed out and reviewed. The brochure identifies the difference between film plastic and ag plastic recycling. The brochures will be distributed to each town for them to hand out at their recycling sites.

Clean Sweep Dates: The May Clean Sweep volumes were reviewed. There was 9797 pounds of chemicals collected, 157 pounds of pharmaceuticals, 4917 fluorescent tubes, and 266 oil filters from a total of 260 vehicles through the hazardous waste collection.

Pharmaceutical volumes are lower than last year, likely due to the drop box at the Sherriff's Department that is available 24/7. There were 1252 electronics, 121 old appliances, 250 gallons of waste oil and 24 lead acid batteries from 405 vehicles through the electronic and appliance areas. The next collection is August 15 in Westboro and Cleveland/Hannibal. When updating the statistics, it was noted this is our 19th Clean Sweep and the surveys show that we are still getting first-time participants for clean sweep collections.

Comments, Problems & Questions: A comment was made regarding the water retention in the containers. It was felt that if bigger holes were in the bottom/side of the containers, approximately 1½" size holes, water would drain better and they would not freeze during the winter. We will make this comment to Advanced Disposal.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 20, 2013 in Town of Deer Creek. Motion to adjourn at 8:55 PM by Del Kroepin and seconded by Joe Zenner. Motion carried.

Susan Noland, Secretary

TAYLOR COUNTY RECYCLING AUTHORITY

Tuesday, February 26, 2013
Goodrich Town Hall

Members present were Mike Roiger, Scott Mildbrand, Francis Martin, Bob Baker, Harry Sweda, Randy Mayer, Ray Sackman, Dennis Raasch, Otto Klinger, JoAnn Smith, Del Kroeplin, Leigh Sahlin, Arlen Albrecht, Sue Noland, and Kyle Noonan. Absent were Grover, Hammel, Cleveland, Jump River, McKinley and Maplehurst. Excused were Holway and Dan Hoffman from Little Black.

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

Meeting Minutes: Motion by Francis Martin and seconded by Harry Sweda, to approve the November 13th, 2012 minutes as mailed. Motion carried.

Agenda: Motion by Francis Martin and seconded by Leigh Sahlin, to approve the agenda as mailed. Motion carried.

2012 Tonnages & Expenses:

1. Year-End tons were reviewed. The 4th quarter tons were 273,529 pounds. This is down slightly from previous quarter totals. The amount collected for the whole year is 1.2 million pounds. Great job towns!
2. The total expenses for 2012 were \$85,924. The balance available and to be carried forward to 2013 is \$40,137.83. The forward balance will allow us to operate until grant dollars are received.

Review Summary of Bills: Veolia/Advanced Disposal bills are listed in expenses by town. The last three months were \$6468.81 for all 16 sites.

Per Capita Weights for 2012: A per capita chart was reviewed. The State minimum required for recycling is 83.7# per person. Taylor County Recycling Authority ranged from 92.5#/capita to 348#/capita in Town of Taft. All towns are exceeding the minimum requirements.

Recycling Contract: It was reported the new recycling contract has been signed. There were some minor changes to be worked out. Dale has indicated it should be business as usual. This is a five year contract that will expire on 12-31-2017.

Recycling Containers: It was felt no changes in containers are necessary per the towns that were present.

Super Tote/Ag Plastic Collection: Arlen reported there were approximately 44 totes at the October collection for ag plastic. There was a fairly equal amount of black & white plastic; mixed plastic sacks, twin and mesh; and white bale wrap. There are ten bales of black plastic still at the fairgrounds from Smith cages. It is anticipated these will go with the spring collection. The next collection will be on April 17, 2013 in Medford and in Gilman on April 18, 2013 from 11 AM to 1 PM. We are anticipating approximately 150 totes from farmers plus what the towns are collecting. There still is not a contract signed yet due to getting commitment that Terracon and production firms will accept ag film plastics.

Ag Plastic Cage/Smith Farms: JoAnn & Delmar Smith from Smith Farms were present to discuss the ag plastic cage they had made for their farm. The Smith's had a cage made to collect their ag plastic. At the time, it was hopeful that a grant was going to be approved to construct 10 cages and place them throughout the County. Arlen stated this would only happen if the grant had been approved, which was not approved. There are 10 bales from the Smith Farm at the fairgrounds which should be picked up this April. Smith feels that

they should be reimbursed for the steel to build the cage. Motion by Harry Sweda, second by Randy Mayer, to reimburse Smith Farms \$678.00 for the cost of the steel to build a plastic cage. Motion carried.

Clean Sweep Dates: The 2013 Clean Sweep dates will be Saturday, May 4 in Medford and Gilman. Chemicals, electronics, appliances and pharmaceuticals will be collected. The second collection is August 15 in Westboro and Cleveland/Hannibal. The same will be collected except no pharmaceuticals.

Meeting Date Schedule: The meeting date schedule was discussed. We periodically have a conflict with elections being the same day as our Recycling Authority meeting. After discussion it was felt to leave the meeting on the 3rd Tuesday and change the date when necessary. The meeting time will remain 8 PM.

Comments, Problems & Questions:

- a) Randy Mayer suggested if containers are ever changed to make the chain 2 – 3 links longer on containers.
- b) Sue followed up from the November meeting on the question about #6 Styrofoam being acceptable. Veolia said they are not recycling #6 foam due to mess it would create. They are only accepting #6 hard clam-shell type.
- c) Sue requested the towns that have not turned in their 2012 towns expenses should get these costs in. The reports are used to complete the Annual Report to the DNR due April 30, 2013.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 21, 2013 in Town of Taft. Motion to adjourn at 8:55 PM by Scott Mildbrand and seconded by Dennis Raasch. Motion carried.

Susan Noland, Secretary