

Solid Waste & Recycling Committee

August 22, 2019

3rd Floor Meeting Room

Call Meeting to Order: Chairman Lester Lewis called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

Members Present: Lester Lewis, Jim Gebauer, Myron Brooks, Larry Ziembo, Dan Hoffman

Members Absent: Barb Kallenbach-excused, and John Fales

Other Attendees: Kyle Noonan, Sue Noland, Michelle Grimm-excused

Approve Minutes: Ziembo moved to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2018 meeting; Seconded by Brooks. Motion carried.

Approve Agenda: Gebauer moved to approve the agenda with 9 items as posted; Seconded by Ziembo. Motion carried.

2019 Tonnages Thru July: Tonnages thru July are down slightly. May be due to less scrap metal being reported by members. Reports indicate we have collected 269.96 tons of recyclables.

2019 Expenses To-Date: Administrator reported expenses through July have been \$21,139. Grant dollars of \$88,644 have been received and distributed to joint municipalities. Joint Rib Lake received \$18,567 and City of Medford was \$25,924. Balance available is approximately \$86,000. The biggest expense we incur is servicing the recycling containers.

2019 Appliance/Electronic collection: On May 4 a collection was conducted in Medford and Gilman. There were 431 participants which brought in 269 old appliances, 313 TVs and computer monitors, and 31,600 pounds of miscellaneous electronics. There was 335 gallons of waste oil collected and 29 lead acid batteries. Pharmaceuticals were also collected in Medford. There were 25 participants and 28 pounds collected.

2019 Clean Sweep collection: The 2019 Clean Sweep was held on Wednesday, June 12 in Medford. There were 150 participants through the hazardous waste with 6471 pounds collected. Also collected were 3199 fluorescent tubes, and 204 oil filters. This is the first year we had to split the collections as one vendor will not do weekend collections due to employee over-time. We are still getting people coming as first-time participants. This year volumes were down approximately 3,000 pounds, down 1,000 fluorescent tubes, down 200 filters and down 100 participants.

Tire Collection: The first collection was held on Saturday, August 10 at Gilman, Lublin, Medford, and Westboro; and on August 17 in Holway. There were approximately 92 participants which brought in an unofficial total of 1805 tires. There was a price increase from \$2 to \$3 for a car tire. The cost of disposal was also increased from \$150/ton to \$200/ton.

2020 Budgets: The proposed 2020 budgets for Solid Waste Disposal, Recycling Act 335, all Clean Sweeps and grant revenues were reviewed. Gebauer moved to approve the proposed budgets as presented; Seconded by Brooks. Motion carried.

Any Other Business: Administrator reported a tour of Advanced Disposal MRF may occur. We will notify members to see if anyone is interested in the tour.

Next Committee Meeting: The next meeting of the Solid Waste & Recycling Committee will be at the call of the Chairman.

Adjournment: With no further business, Gebauer moved to adjourn the meeting; Seconded by Brooks. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 AM.

Secretary: Kyle Noonan