

**TAYLOR COUNTY RECYCLING AUTHORITY**  
**Tuesday, October 19, 2021**  
**Pershing Town Hall**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hoffman at 7:00 PM. Pledge of allegiance.

Members present/absent were:

Browning: absent	Jump River/McKinley: Bill Miller Jr &
Chelsea: absent	Myron Brooks
Cleveland: Scott Capelle	Little Black: Dan Hoffman
Deer Creek: Ray Sackmann	Maplehurst: absent
Ford: Scott Nichols & Leonard Nichols	Pershing: Kevin Webster & Walt Lang
Goodrich: absent	Roosevelt/Lublin: Sam Zagorski
Grover: Ron Sromek	Stetsonville: Randy Mayer
Hammel: Joe/Renee Zenner	Taft: absent
Holway: Rick/Jenny Nehls	

*\*Also present were Kyle Noonan, Michelle Grimm and Sue Noland.*

**Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Scott Nichols and seconded by Randy Mayer, to approve the June 22, 2021, minutes as mailed. Motion carried.

**Agenda:** Motion by Leonard Nichols and seconded by Joe Zenner, to approve the agenda as posted. Motion carried.

**Tonnages & Expenses through September 2021:**

**Tons:** Report was reviewed through September 2021 vs. 2020 comparison. Overall, every town is up except a few went down slightly. The group as a whole is up 15% from last year same time.

**Expenses:** Administrator reported expenses to date are \$53,866. The current balance available is \$78,088. All expenses are up to date. It is anticipated there will be an additional \$7,000 of expenses before Year-End. Two tire payments are also expected. An anticipated balance forward to 2022 is around \$70,000.

**Clean Sweep:** The Clean Sweep collection was conducted on June 15 in Medford. There were 148 participants. Collected were 7466 pounds of hazardous waste, 2400 fluorescent tubes along with ballasts and batteries. It is noteworthy to see that 44 participants have never been to a Clean Sweep before. This is the 27<sup>th</sup> year we have been conducting Clean Sweeps.

**Tire collection:** The 2021 tire collection was conducted in August at 3 different sites. There was a total of 125 participants with 2767 tires collected. This included tires for Westboro residents. Bee Line picked up 80.79 ton of tires, which included tires from the Highway Dept., Melvin Company & Town of Medford. Westboro and the other three parties have reimbursed their charges back to the Recycling Authority. Summaries were reviewed for number of tires

collected by site, by town, number of participants, comparison of current and previous tons, and expenses/revenues. Total expenses for the tire collection were \$19,221.25 with revenue reimbursements of \$16,952.91 which leaves a balance of \$2268.34 made up by the Recycling Authority. The Authority also discussed worker volunteers for assisting with the collection. There was not a worker from Maplehurst, Pershing and Lublin. There was also a town that provided extra workers. After discussion, motion by Scott Nichols and seconded by Renee Zenner, to reimburse Holway \$40 (4 hours @ \$10/hour) for an extra worker and to bill \$60/site to Maplehurst, Pershing and Lublin for lack of a tire worker. Motion carried. It was brought up whether a collection is needed every year. We will discuss next year before making a decision.

**Cooperative Agreement:** Cooperative agreements with Joint Rib Lake and with the City of Medford were discussed. The agreement allows all parties involved to obtain more grant dollars rather than if submitted separately. The Recycling Office prepares all the grant applications and does annual reports based on each entity's expenses and tonnages. The Joint Rib Lake group signs an agreement annually and the City of Medford signs a 3-year agreement. Motion by Randy Mayer and seconded by Jenny Nehls, to accept both agreements. Motion carried.

**Other Business:** a) 2022 grant was submitted to the DNR by the October 1st deadline. The application is requesting about the same funds as prior years.  
b) 2022 brochures will be prepared with updated report card and distributed with tax bills. Any site changes were reviewed.

The next meeting will be held on February 15, 2022, at the Maplehurst Town Hall at 7:00 PM.

Motion by Ron Sromek and seconded by Joe Zenner, to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 PM. Motion carried.

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**Susan Noland, Secretary**

## **TAYLOR COUNTY RECYCLING AUTHORITY**

**Tuesday, June 22, 2021**

**Hammel Town Hall**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hoffman at 7:00 PM followed by Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Members present/absent were:**

Browning: absent

Chelsea: absent

Cleveland: Scott Capelle

Deer Creek: Ray Sackmann

Ford: absent

Goodrich: absent

Grover: Ron Sromek

Hammel: Steve Deml &

Joe/Renee Zenner

Holway: Rick/Jenny Nehls

Jump River/McKinley: absent

Little Black: Dan Hoffman

Maplehurst: absent

Pershing: absent

Roosevelt/Lublin: Sam Zagorski &

Harry Sweda

Stetsonville: Randy Mayer

Taft: excused

Also, present were Doug Polacek (Town of Rib Lake), Cliff Mann (Village of Rib Lake), Kyle Noonan and Sue Noland. Michelle Grimm was excused absence.

**Introductions:** Since there are new board members, each attendee introduced themselves and indicated which municipality they represented.

**Meeting Minutes:** Motion by J. Nehls and seconded by R. Nehls, to approve the March 23, 2021 minutes as mailed. Motion carried.

**Agenda:** Motion by Zenner and seconded by J. Nehls, to approve the agenda as posted. Motion carried.

**Tonnages through May 2021:** Recycle status report was reviewed through May 2021 vs. 2020 comparison. Only a few towns have went down. Overall, weights are up 14.3%.

**Expenses through mid-June 2021:** Administrator reported grant dollars were received from the DNR of \$88,776.83. The City of Medford and Joint Rib Lake have been paid their share. To date, expenses are \$20,473. The current balance available is \$94,379 (this includes the balance carried forward from 2020).

**Appliances & Electronics:** The dual collection was conducted on Saturday, May 1 in Medford and Gilman. There was a steady line with 592 participants which brought in 45,895 pounds of miscellaneous electronics, 285 gallons waste oil, 409 old appliances, and 487 TVs and computer monitors. There were 19 lead acid batteries. The abundance of items may be due to no collection in 2020. We had great volunteers helping with the collection.

**Clean Sweep:** The Clean Sweep collection was on Tuesday, June 15 in Medford. There were 148 participants. We do not have the volume of waste collected at this time, nor number of

fluorescent tubes. It is noteworthy to see that 44 participants have never been to a Clean Sweep before. This is the 27<sup>th</sup> year we have been conducting Clean Sweeps.

**Tire collection:** Administrator Noonan reported the bid from Bee Line is \$200-250/ton depending upon how many pick-up sites for tire collection. The 2019 bid was \$200/ton. Discussed number of sites, tire size/price scenarios, dates, free for town tires, other towns participating/Melvin Co, advertising and "no show" workers. Motion by Zenner and seconded by Capelle, to have 3 sites for collection. On August 14 at Medford and Gilman Highway Depts and on August 21 at Holway Town Hall. Motion carried. Collection hours will be 8 AM to Noon. Motion by Mayer and seconded by J. Nehls, to set price/size as follows: up to 22" (car/SUV/pick-up) is \$4/tire; 23" to 24" (includes semi) is \$10/tire; over 24" (tractor) is \$20/tire; and oversized tires (end loader, skidder, etc.) is \$50/tire. Motion carried. Towns will be allowed 20 free tires if picked up out of road ditches. Members present had no problem if other entities (Westboro, Aurora & Melvin Company) wanted to participate in the collection. Advertising will occur in the Star News, Star News Shopper and WIGM/WKEB. Motion by Zenner and seconded by Mayer, to Charge \$60/town if town worker does not show up to assist. Motion carried. There was also discussion regarding a property in Lublin with numerous tires. We will contact property owner with dates and locations of collection sites and give them Bee Line info if they would like to work something out with the company directly. Otherwise, the individual can transport his tires to any or all of the other 3 locations.

**Other Business:** Doug Polacek and Cliff Mann from the Joint Rib Lake Consortium were present to gather information on how the recycling authority group operates. They currently do their own collection amongst 3 municipalities and market their products. There is a lot of handling of material and storage required and they are looking for safer, more practical options for their program. No action was taken.

The next meeting will be held on October 19, 2021 at 7:00 PM hosted by Town of Pershing.

Motion by Mayer and seconded by Sackman, to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 PM. Motion carried.

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**Susan Noland, Secretary**

**TAYLOR COUNTY RECYCLING AUTHORITY**  
**Tuesday, March 23, 2021**  
**County Board Room, Taylor County Courthouse**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hoffman at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

**Members present/absent were:**

Browning: absent	Jump River/McKinley: Myron Brooks
Chelsea: Jonathon Rief	Little Black: Dan Hoffman
Cleveland: absent	Maplehurst: absent
Deer Creek: Ray Sackman	Pershing: absent
Ford: absent	Roosevelt/Lublin: Harry Sweda & Leigh Sahlin (excused)
Goodrich: Erhardt/Catherine Lemke	Stetsonville: absent
Grover: absent	Taft: absent
Hammel: Joe/Renee Zenner	
Holway: Rick/Jenny Nehls	

Also present were Kyle Noonan, Michelle Grimm and Sue Noland.

**Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Renee Zenner and seconded by Jonathon Rief, to approve the October 15, 2019 minutes as mailed. Motion carried.

**Agenda:** Motion by Harry Sweda and seconded by Jenny Nehls, to approve the agenda as posted. Motion carried.

**Tonnages thru Year-End 2020 & Per Capita:** A comparison of 2019 vs. 2020 volumes for each municipality was reviewed. The 2020 weights are down but both years are over 1 million pounds. Starting with 2020, scrap metal will not count any longer towards per capita totals. Without those volumes, there were 3 towns that did not meet their per capita; but the Recycling Authority met per capita requirement as a whole.

**Year-End Expenses for 2019 & 2020:** Administrator reported 2019 expenses were \$50,888 and carry-over to 2020 was \$65,064. The expenses in 2020 were \$38,779. The lower expenses are mostly due no tire collection and less advertising. The carry-over from 2020 into 2021 was \$70,508.

**2021 Tonnages & Expenses to date:** So far in 2021, the tonnages have increased per reports from GFL. The containers do not get weighed, but they estimate based on cubic yards collected. The expenses thru mid-March are \$9527. Grant dollars are usually received by end of June from the DNR.

**Contract Transfer to GFL:** We received notification of Waste Management acquiring Advanced Disposal through merger. Then, GFL Environmental acquired our contract by way of assignment in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2020. There is to be no disruption in service, no changes to terms, pricing, etc. The Agreement Transfer occurred and will not result in a breach or default of agreement and

our collection service has been moved to GFL. Our current contract does not expire until December 31, 2022.

**Appliance & Electronic collection:** On Saturday, May 1, 2021 an appliance and electronic collection will occur in Medford in the morning and Gilman in the afternoon. There is a cost for freon items, TVs and computer monitors with a lot of items for free. No pharmaceuticals will be collected as they can be disposed of at the Sheriff's Dept or at Aspirus Pharmacy. As usual, we will need volunteers.

**Clean Sweep collection:** The hazardous waste, fluorescent tubes, etc. collection will be held on Tuesday, June 15, 2021 in Medford from 2:00 – 6:00 pm. NWRPC is still not able to find a vendor to do weekend collections. Advertising will occur at a later date.

**Tire collection:** A tire collection did not occur in 2020. Towns were queried and only 4 municipalities were interested in conducting a collection. The members present felt we should collect this year. Our department will start obtaining quotes for costs for 2, 3 or 4 sites. This will be discussed further at the June meeting.

**Other Business:**

- a) annual report will be submitted to the DNR by April 30
- b) cooperative agreement was signed with Joint Rib Lake for Year 2021
- c) weight slips for scrap metal will no longer be accepted for DNR reporting and per capita volumes

Motion by Joe Zenner to schedule the next meeting on June 22, 2021 at the Hammel Town Hall (or Courthouse) at 7:00 PM, seconded by Jenny Nehls. Motion carried.

Motion by Harry Sweda to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 PM, seconded by Erhardt Lemke. Motion carried.

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**Susan Noland, Secretary**