

Solid Waste & Recycling Committee

August 19, 2021

County Board Room

Call Meeting to Order: Chairman Lester Lewis called the meeting to order at 8:30am.

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

Members Absent: Barb Kallenbach-excused, Larry Ziembo, Joe Harris

Other Attendees: Kyle Noonan, Sue Noland, Michelle Grimm

Approve Minutes: Gebauer moved to approve the minutes of the August 20, 2020 meeting; Seconded by Brooks. Motion carried.

Approve Agenda: Brooks moved to approve the agenda with 10 items as posted; Seconded by Gebauer. Motion carried.

2021 Tonnages Thru July: Tonnages thru July comparing 2020 vs. 2021 were reviewed. All municipalities are up except for three towns. Overall, volumes are up 13% with 352 tons of recyclables collected through July.

2021 Expenses To-Date: Administrator reported expenses through mid-August have been \$27,725. Grant dollars of \$88,776 have been received and distributed to joint municipalities. Joint Rib Lake received \$18,563 and City of Medford was \$25,869. The balance available is approximately \$95,600. Future expenses will be the tire collection and advertising, monthly office expenses and 4 more months of container billings.

2021 Appliance/Electronic collection and Clean Sweep collection: The 2021 appliance and electronic collection was held on May 1 in Medford and Gilman. Approximately, 45,895 pounds of misc. electronics were collected along with 409 old appliances, and 487 TVs and monitors. There were 337 participants in the electronics and 255 with appliances. The Clean Sweep was held on June 15 in Medford with 148 participants of which 44 had never been to a clean sweep collection before. Accepted were chemicals, oil-based paint, cleaners, fluorescent tubes, and much more. We have not received the volume numbers yet from NWRPC.

Tire collection: The first collection was held in Gilman and Medford on August 14. There were 1091 tires collected in Gilman and 665 at the Medford site. The second/final collection will be August 21 at the Holway site.

2022 Budgets: The proposed 2022 budgets for Solid Waste Disposal, Recycling Act 335, all Clean Sweeps, and grant revenues were reviewed. There is 0% increase as requested and carry-over dollars will be utilized. Gebauer moved to approve the proposed budgets as presented; Seconded by Brooks. Motion carried.

Any Other Business: None

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 Hoffman. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 AM.

Secretary: Kyle Noonan