

**WAUPACA COUNTY
RECYCLING IMPLEMENTAION COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES**

September 3, 2014
WCI, Manawa

Vice Chair Prochnow called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Alan Kjelland, Mary Trice, Paula Pagel, Alvin Thiel, John Edlebeck, Margie Schmidt, Jeremy Schoenike, Burton Brady, Roger Henschel, Ken Van Dyke, Bill Jonely, Mary Rogers, Lee Halverson, Greg Rose, Gene Sorensen, Fred Zaug, and Les Prochnow

Also Present: Roger Holman and Debbie Krogwold

Prochnow gave the open meeting statement.

Motion by Zaug, seconded by Van Dyke to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Pagel, seconded by Thiel to approve the 2012 minutes. Motion carried.

Prochnow opened the floor for nominations for chair.

Motion by Van Dyke, seconded by Thiel to nominate Lance Penny for Chair.

Prochnow called the nominations three times.

Motion by Henschel, seconded by Thiel to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Penny. Motion carried.

Prochnow called for nominations for Vice Chair.

Motion by Thiel, seconded by Zaug to nominate Les Prochnow.

Prochnow called the nominations three times.

Motion by Zaug, seconded by Brady to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Prochnow. Motion carried.

Holman presented background information on the Town of Wyoming's request to terminate the County/Municipal recycling agreement. Discussion followed on economic hardship, the agreement, the program, Wyoming's justifications and working together.

Motion by Kjelland, seconded by Jonely to recommend to the Solid Waste Management Board that the Town of Wyoming's request to terminate the County/Municipal recycling agreement be granted. Motion carried with Iola Area Recycling Commission, Waupaca Regional Recycling & Composting Commission, Town of Union, Weyauwega, Wyoming and City of Marion voting yes and Clintonville Area Waste Service, Manawa Area Recycling & Composting Commission, Town of Caledonia and Solid Waste Management Board voting no. Motion carried.

Holman reviewed the Ad Hoc Group's recommendations that the recycling programs shortfall be funded per the agreement through a per capita assessment. Holman stated that after three county-wide meetings, facilitated by Mike Koles, review of 16 options to offset the loss of state funding, reduction in close to \$100,000 in operation cost, and volume reduction in recyclables coming to the PTF the group recommended this option.

Holman handed out and reviewed the 2014 Waupaca County Recycling Program calculations of per capita assessment based on a \$100,000.00 funding shortfall. The per capita estimate is approximately \$2.39 per capita. Holman stated the estimate will be very close to what will be sent to the municipalities in early October. Holman stated payment will be due by February.

Holman reviewed all the actions taken by the Solid Waste Management Board and Solid Waste/Recycling Department to reduce the assessment while providing the recycling services. Discussion followed on possible program changes in the future, with Holman stating he would be putting together recommendations for the Recycling Implementation Council and the Solid Waste Management Board.

Holman handed out and reviewed the proposed 2015 recycling budget. Holman noted that the budget has been reduced over \$100,000 since 2011, but there has been an \$88,000 cut in state grants and \$138,768 in revenue in that time frame.

Krogwold then presented the following on program updates:

- **Compost Bin Sale.** Sale began in May. There are bins still available for purchase. The bin sale program has been in place since 1997.
- **Medication Collection.** There will be another one-day collection for unwanted medications Saturday, September 27, from 10am to 2 pm. In addition to the permanent drop-box locations (Clintonville, New London PD, Weyauwega PD, Waupaca County Sheriff Dept.), there will be three additional locations – Manawa PD, Marion PD, and Waupaca PD. Flyer was handed out.
- **Appliance Round-up.** For the first two weeks of October, there will be a reduced rate to recycle large appliances at the PTF. \$8 per appliance instead of the normal \$10. Flyer was handed out.
- **Electronics Recycling.** Program to collect TVs, computers, and other electronic items banned from the landfill is ongoing at the PTF. Program is very popular due to reasonable pricing of \$5 for TV with screen less than 32"; \$10 for screens 32" or larger. The PTF is the only licensed public drop-off location for these items in the County.

Prochnow opened the meeting up to the members present for municipal updates. Edlebeck asked who makes the determination of access rights to the PTF. Holman stated that the Waupaca County Solid Waste Management Board makes that decision. The Board sets the user fees.

Future meetings will be called as needed by Roger Holman.

Motion by Zaug, seconded by Trice to adjourn. Motion carried.

Submitted by,

Roger G. Holman
Recording Secretary