

**WAUPACA COUNTY  
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES**

May 11, 2015  
Courthouse, Waupaca

Chair Sorensen called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

Present: Joyce Boyer, Jeff Dyer, Nancy Koeppen, Maryann Snider, Gene Sorensen, Ken Van Dyke, Fred Zaug, Joe McClone, and Carl Kietzmann.

Also Present: Roger Holman, Pat Bruneau and Debbie Krogwold

Chair Sorensen gave the open meeting statement.

Motion by Zaug, seconded by McClone to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Boyer, seconded by Koeppen to approve the April 13, 2015 minutes. Motion carried.

Sorensen opened the meeting for public comment. There was none.

There was no correspondence for Board action.

Holman reported that the Joint Finance Committee approved the Governor's recommendation to reduce funding in 2015-2016 by \$4,000,000 to \$15,000,000. This cut will be an additional loss of \$32,000 for Waupaca County, along with the original loss of \$90,000 in support from the State. Holman stated that action on the Solid & Hazardous Waste Education Center and UW-Solid Waste Research has been deferred for action when they address the UW-system.

Holman reviewed the funding and program options that have been implemented or rejected to address the \$120,000 loss of state support for the recycling program. Holman stated they are now down to 4 main options: Municipal agreement assessment, special assessment by the County, County tax levy, or eliminate/modify services. Holman stated his goals are to continue working with the Municipalities in providing a cost effective recycling program that meets state law and the public needs, provide for our employees, and retain our employees. Holman stated he is recommending the Board's Study Committee meet and provide a recommendation for the Board's consideration. Van Dyke stated a meeting would be called to address the issue.

Krogwold gave an update on the Pay-by-the-Bag garbage program for the Manawa Area Drop-off Site. Two merchants in the City of Manawa will sell tags: The Store and Remington's Quality Foods. The program is set to begin Thursday, June 4, 2015. An article has been written for the Waupaca County Post, along with press releases. Program flyers will be mailed to residents within the next week.

Krogwold stated that this Saturday will be the first medication collection day sponsored by the Wisconsin Department of Justice. After the DEA discontinued its support for disposal of medications collected at these events, the WI DOJ stepped in to insure the program continues. Krogwold stated that the same locations as in 2014 had all registered to participate. Krogwold also provide information on a new medication collection program, the 'Yellow Jug' program which Sweet Medicine Pharmacy in Iola participates.

On Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, eighth grade students from Waupaca Middle School visited various departments at the Courthouse, one of which was the Solid Waste & Recycling Department. Krogwold stated she talked to six classes on various recycling and solid waste issues. To keep things interesting, the students read using the microphones and voted on a recycling question using the electronic voting board. The Worm Bin made an appearance and everyone got a Gummi Worm!

Bruneau reported that the PTF is in full summer operation with very busy Saturdays and an increase of users on other days.

Holman reported the Management Team is working on funding issues, bulk mailing, and website design.

The next meeting was set for June 8 at 3:30 p.m.

Motion by Kietzmann, seconded by Koeppen to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Submitted by,

Roger G. Holman  
Director