



PORTAGE COUNTY

MEETING MINUTES

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD

ANNEX CONFERENCE ROOM 5
1462 STRONGS AVENUE
STEVENS POINT, WI 54481

Wednesday, September 22, 2021

5:00 PM

REMOTE ATTENDANCE & COMMENT

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CALL TO ORDER

The Solid Waste Management Board meeting was called to order at 05:00 PM

Members Present:

Attending In-Person: Medin, Miresse, Fritz, Neville

Attending Online: Honl, Zastrow, Zach, Wiza

Members Excused: Spierings

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Zastrow, seconded by Fritz, to approve the August Meeting Minutes. Motion to carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

1. August 25, 2021 Meeting Minutes

VOUCHERS

Were looked at, no discussion.

2. August Vouchers

CORRESPONDENCE

REPORTS

3. Board Chair
Board Members
MRF Operator
Site Coordinator
Solid Waste Director

Chair: Made an emergency visit to the MRF to review damage with the Director and to set up barricades to provide more protection for the wall. Zastrow made a motion to submit the Chair's green sheet (Special Meeting Per Diem) for the Emergency Repair Oversight and Meeting with the Solid Waste Director. Seconded by Zach.

The motion was approved to submit the sheet by the following vote:

7 Yes: Zastrow, Zach, Wiza, Medin, Neville, Honl, Fritz

0 No

1 Abstain: Miresse

Board Members: None

MRF Operator: The August rebate is strong and continues into September. Waste Management has been reaching out to contractors to remove the equipment in the coming months. Jeff was praised by board members for his work at the MRF over the years.

Solid Waste Site Coordinator: August and September have seen more material come in over 2021, which may be due to the end of the Eviction Moratorium as rental clean-outs have increased in the last few weeks. A hazardous waste shipment was sent out in early September to make room for more material during the After Hours Hazardous Waste Event on September 29, 2021. Positive pressure tests and repairs were done at the landfill and the final water sampling of the year was completed as well.

Solid Waste Director: The CWD deer kiosk and dumpster have arrived. Waste Management and the Department have amended their agreement to include payment to the County for operating the scale on their behalf. The asphalt at both the MRF and TF has been swept in anticipation for patching to be done by the end of the year. The City of Stevens Point will include proper sharps disposal information with their water bill. The County is continuing to look into the situation with the north wall at the MRF and the Director will keep everyone updated as necessary and appropriate. The LTC account does not require the Pollution Liability Insurance to be included and therefore the account is no longer underfunded. The County will have to pay for this insurance through means other than the LTC account. It was requested that the board discuss future insurance options at an upcoming meeting.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Members of the public who wish to address the Committee on specific agenda items must register their request at this time, with such comments subject to the reasonable control of the Committee Chair as set forth in Robert's Rules of Order.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

4. Discussion and Possible Action: Regarding Special Meeting Attendance (Portage County Ordinance 3.1.47 & 3.1.48)
 - Request for special meeting attendance
 - Approval of attendance of special meetings
 - Special meeting attendance reports

The Director notified the Board of an opportunity for two board members to tour Johns' Whitewater MRF on September 27th with Solid Waste staff. A motion was made by Medin, seconded by Neville, to approve two slots for any two board members to tour Johns' MRF in Whitewater. Discussion. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

Miresse requested permission to attend the Wisconsin Counties Solid Waste Management Association (WCSWMA) meeting on October 25. A motion was made by Medin, seconded by Zach, to approve the Chair to attend the WCSWMA meeting on October 25th. Discussion.

The motion passed by the following vote:

7 Yes: Medin, Zach, Neville, Zastrow, Fritz, Honl, Wiza

0 No

1 Abstain: Miresse

5. Discussion and Possible Action: 2022 Budget and Fees

- Approve final tipping fee increase and per capita fees for 2022

The Director gave a brief reasoning for the options presented in front of the board for offsetting recycling in 2021. A motion was made by Medin, seconded by Neville, to approve Option 3 for 2022 (\$.50 SW tipping fee increase and \$2.09 recycling per capita fee for member municipalities). Discussion. Motion to approve Option 3 for 2022 carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

NEXT MEETING DATE October 27, 2021

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Zastrow, seconded by Fritz, to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 05:46 PM

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