

## WAUPACA COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD

Meeting Minutes – April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Waupaca County Courthouse – Room 1068

Chair Zaug called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm and gave the open meeting statement.

**Roll Call:** Chair Fred Zaug, Vice-Chair Joe McClone, Supervisors Joyce Boyer, Janet Lehrer, and Peter Bosquez; Citizen Members Jeff Dyer, Nancy Koeppen, and Ken Van Dyke. Others present: Staff Members Taylor Sorenson, Tom Claussen, and John Francis. Citizen member Maryann Snider was unable to attend.

**Review and Approve Agenda:** Motion by Boyer, seconded by Koeppen to approve the agenda. Motion carried without a negative vote.

**Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Motion by Lehrer, seconded by Boyer to approve the March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019 minutes. Motion carried without a negative vote.

**Public Comment / Correspondence:** Zaug opened the meeting for public comment, there was none.

**DEN Employee Issues – Options to Move Forward:** Francis stated that DEN Services sent out notice that they would be closing their doors by the end of June this year. Our four contracted employees at the PTF are currently working through DEN. There was discussion about what DEN is and how it came to be and why the County went with contracted employees in the first place. Francis handed out a spreadsheet and explained several different options he and the HR Department had been working on to be able to keep the same people doing their jobs for us. There was much discussion on the various options and why all of them cost more than the current contracted price. The general feeling of the Board was that the positions should be made into permanent County positions at some point in the future, but there may need to be a temporary solution so that there would be time to run the positions through the budget process. Francis stated that he did not have solid numbers yet from another employment service to present another option other than making them County Employees so he would continue to gather information and bring it back to the Board.

**Ordinance Updates:** Sorenson handed out copies of the Solid Waste Ordinance and walked through the proposed changes. Most of the changes were minor job title changes and similar items. There was discussion on a few items to clarify the meaning.

Motion by Koeppen, seconded by Lehrer to approve the changes and forward them on to the next step in the approval process. Motion carried without a negative vote.

**PTF Supervisor Update:** Claussen reported that the PTF has been very busy lately. There has been a lot of scrap metal brought in with the increased traffic as well which has been a good revenue source lately. He reported that they have been loading two semi-trailer daily and Graichen Sanitation has been keeping up with pulls to the landfill. There was some discussion about if the County should be looking at having its own landfill in the future and why it came to be that we haul our materials to the Outagamie Landfill.

**Meetings/Conferences Attended:** Van Dyke reported on his efforts to gather information to discuss at a future Ad Hoc Committee on Plastics. He has contacted Meleesa Johnson from the AROW group to find out if they were planning to advocate for restoring the full recycling grant from the landfill fees. The AROW group is concerned about taking funds away from Land and Water Conservation programs. Van Dyke has responded to them that the money from landfill fees that was diverted to the Economic Development Corporation should be restored to the recycling grant. Once he has gathered more information he will call a meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee on Plastics. There was then a discussion about plastics, how to deal with their use, who should be responsible for them and options for reducing, reusing, recycling, and incineration.

**Recycling Coordinators Report:**

- a. Education Outreach:** Sorenson reported that she has continued working with local schools for presentations on recycling and composting. She has also been working with AROW for a social media campaign leading up to Earth day. The Burning News and Yellow Program Flyers have been printed and will be going into papers in the next two weeks. Sorenson has also started advertising for the compost bin sale.
- b. Program Updates:** Sorenson reported that she had submitted our MRF Self Certification report to the DNR. The PTF processed 563.80 tons of table 1 recyclables last year. Sorenson reported that she is waiting for one more number verification from the CAWS site and then she will be able to submit the Recycling Final Report to the DNR. The PTF is prepping for HHW intake and the appliance round up, both which begin May 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Director Report:** Francis handed out a copy of the final end of 2018 budget report and discussed the various aspects of how it all worked out for 2018. There was discussion about the report.

**Upcoming Meetings:** The next meeting was scheduled for May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 3:30 pm at the Courthouse.

**Adjourn:** Motion by Boyer, seconded by Koeppen to adjourn. Motion carried without a negative vote.

The meeting adjourned at 4:37 pm

Submitted by,

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