

June 23, 2015

Minutes of the **Florence County Recycling Management Board** meeting conducted on June 3, 2015 at 6:00 P.M. in the 2nd floor conference room of the courthouse, Florence, WI.

Present: Tim Bomberg, Gary Steber, Betty Bock, Elinor Trosin, Fran Modschiedler, John Halada, Matt Brunette, Frank Smith, Fred Erwin

Absent: None

Others Present: Rich Wolosyn, Trish Kelly

Chairperson Bomberg called the meeting to order and took roll call. He introduced Frank Smith, new member representing the Town of Fence. Roundtable introductions were made by the townships and county representative present.

Chairperson Bomberg asked for approval of the agenda. **Motion by Fred Erwin to approve the agenda, second by Gary Steber, vote nine (9) ayes, zero (0) nays, motion carried.**

Chairman Bomberg asked for a motion on the minutes of the meeting conducted on May 6, 2015. **Motion by Betty Bock to approve the minutes of the meeting conducted on May 6, 2015, second by Matt Brunette.** Elinor Trosin wanted clarification on a couple of items discussed at last month's meeting. She wanted to know if the grant will be reduced this year. The grant money has been received for 2015. The grant will be reduced in 2016 and reinstated in 2017. The Commonwealth curbside pickup route may be split between the Towns' of Aurora and Florence. There was a suggestion of the possibility of a drop-off site for the Town of Homestead. This was discussed last month as ways to reduce the cost to the program. **Vote was taken, nine (9) ayes, zero (0) nays, motion carried.**

The current bills were reviewed as presented for payment and recommended to Audit & Budget Committee for approval. **Motion by Gary Steber to approve the bills and recommend to the Audit & Budget Committee for approval, second by Matt Brunette, vote nine (9) ayes, zero (0) nays, motion carried.**

**Under discussion/action regarding reduction in the recycling grant program.** The full grant amount of \$78,997.00 for 2015 was received on June 1, 2015. The budget reduction will reflect the 21 percent for 2016, which is calculated out to be a \$16,589.37 reduction. As was discussed last month, this could be split up by per capita across the county, each township pay a certain percent by population. The other option would be to budget the reduction through the county, as this is a county wide program and ask the county to cover the 21 percent difference for one year, being 2016.

Elinor Trosin reported that she took the reduction concern to the Homestead Town Board last week and they were in favor of this being handled by the county. Also, the consensus of individuals she talked with wanted to continue curbside service in Homestead.

Wolosyn would recommend budgeting through the county. If the board is interested in this a motion could be passed tonight to head in that direction. A budget would be put together and he asked for a motion not to exceed \$17,000.00, however would be to the actual amount. He suggested to place the item on the Audit and Budget agenda as soon as possible, should the county deny the request, there is still time for the towns to prepare their budgets. **Motion by Betty Bock to bring this item to the Audit and Budget committee and ask if the County would cover the 21 percent reduction in the 2016 recycling grant, not to exceed \$17,000.00, one time, one year request. This was seconded by Elinor Trosin, vote eight (8) ayes, zero (0) nays, motion carried. Gary Steber abstained from voting.**

**Motion by Fran Modschiedler to adjourn, second by Elinor Trosin, vote nine (9) ayes, zero (0) nays, motion carried.**

Trish Kelly

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Recycling Coordinator