

SOLID WASTE COORDINATING COMMITTEE

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Meeting Location
via ZOOM

Minutes: Wednesday, May 5, 2021

Members in Attendance:

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| ✓ Jim Goetz (Co Comm) 12/22 - Chair | A Kasee Johnson (Health Field) 12/23 |
| ✓ John Tuckerman (At Large) 12/22 - VChair | ✓ Jim Palmer (Outlying Community) 12/24 |
| ✓ Greg Elliott (City of Adrian) 12/22 | ✓ Leo Oswald (Twp. Official) 12/24 |
| A Jim May (Solid Waste Industry) 12/23 | ✓ Keeley Pape (Environmental Group) 12/24 |
| ✓ Dan Swallow (City of Tecumseh) 12/23 | |

Also Present: Martin Marshall and Becky Borton

J. Goetz opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

I. Introductions

II. Consent Agenda

A. Approve Minutes: April 7 , 2021 meeting

B. Finance Report

C. Waste Hauler Tonnage Logs: A total of 4,996.11 ton of waste was generated in Lenawee County and transported out.

County-wide Recycling: There was a total of 1,850.70 ton was collected for recycling and diverted from the landfill; of this total 176.21 tons was residential.

D. Recycling DOS Reports: A total of 28.43 ton of mixed fibers and 19.25 tons of rigid materials were collected. There were 2 days effected by closures/reduced hours in April and there have been no contaminated loads in 2021.

Motion by L. Oswald, seconded by J. Palmer, to approve the consent agenda items. Motion carried.

III. Discussion Items

A. Part 115 Solid Waste: Part 115 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act that governs solid waste planning was passed out of the House Committee and will now move on to the Senate.

Overview provided by the Michigan Recycling Coalition, MI Assoc of Counties (MAC): Materials Management, and the Michigan Municipal League were shared.

M. Marshall provided some background. The Solid Waste Plan was adopted in 1997, amendments were made in 2016 and submitted to the state. The state has not approved those amendments. Amendments to the Part 115 focus on landfill diversion; and their goal is to reach a municipal recycling rate of 30% by 2029 through Materials Management.

J. Palmer liked what he had found on the changes, he thought it sounded encouraging and he is hopeful that some positive direction will come from it.

B. Program Coordinator's Update: R. Borton provided updates.

Part 115 Letter of Support: The MRC has an electronic letter supporting Part 115.

Resolution of Support for Updating Part 115: A sample resolution was submitted for consideration.

Motion by J. Palmer, seconded by L. Oswald, to refer the resolution of support for updating Part 115 on to the Board of Commissioners and recommend adoption. Motion carried.

EGLE Infrastructure Grant: The 2021 EGLE Infrastructure Grant has opened. This is a 20% matching fund grant opportunity. A resolution seeking the Board of Commissioners approval was submitted for review.

Motion by J. Palmer, seconded by J. Tuckerman, to refer the resolution of approval on to the Board of Commissioners and recommend adoption. Motion carried.

MRC Conference: The Michigan Recycling Coalition conference sessions have been recorded and are available www.michiganrecycles.org

SW Calendar/Solid Waste Brochure: J. Palmer donated a brochure holder and has been hung up.

Community Outreach: 4/22/21 WLEN interview conducted.

Scrap Tire Cleanup Grant: The 2020 EGLE grant has been extended through 12/31/21.

Tentative Fall Tire Collection Date: September 11, 2021

J. Goetz inquired if it would be possible to bring a large load of tires & semi-truck tires during the tire collection event. The farmer is willing to pay for tire disposal.

R. Borton will look into this further.

HHW Collection Event: Looking to host a fall collection.

Lenawee County Fair: Reservation applications have yet to be distributed.

2021 Calendar: Solid Waste Coordinating Committee meets at 10:00 am:

June 2

August 4

October 6

July 7

September 1

November 3

December 1

IV. Other Business

Ag plastic jug recycling: K. Pape continues to work on setting up a recycle site for plastic pesticide containers. There is a collection date set for August 20th, but she is seeking storage space (garage or trailer) to use until that date for early collections. If anyone has space or other suggestions; please contact her.

V. Public Comment: There were no public comments.

VI. Adjournment

Motion by J. Tuckerman, seconded by J. Palmer, to adjourn the meeting at 10:43 a.m. Motion carried.

**The next Solid Waste Coordinating Committee meeting is scheduled for
WEDNESDAY, June 2, 2021 at 10:00 A.M.**

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LENAWEE COUNTY SOLID WASTE

Resolution of Support for

Updating Part 115, Michigan's Solid Waste Law

WHEREAS, the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy has been working with a wide range of stakeholders to substantially update and amend Part 115, Michigan's solid waste statute, to prioritize sustainable materials management, specifically the recovery and diversion of discarded materials for productive use;

WHEREAS, XXXX County's last Solid Waste Plan was updated and approved in XXXX and is long overdue for an update. XXXX County would receive funding to facilitate a new planning process, in which all pertinent local stakeholders would work to update the county's plan under the updated system. Plans will be required to show how progress will be made to meet established benchmark recycling standards and State recycling goals based on the needs and interests of the county as determined by local participants. These new plans will be designated as Materials Management Plans, reflecting the shift in priorities to reduce the disposal of resources;

WHEREAS, Part 115 updates aim to support sustainable materials management methodologies such as recycling, composting, anaerobic digestion, and other beneficial utilization activities, by:

- x Incentivizing counties to set recycling goals and plan for holistic discards management.
- x Consider and plan for the development of facilities necessary to manage these materials in ways that protect human health and the environment, as well, as making materials available for remanufacturing.
- x Making funding available with the goal of tripling Michigan's recycling rate. The funding would cover:
 - o County Materials Management Planning,
 - o Recycling infrastructure development,
 - o Development of markets for recyclable materials, and
 - o Education to help residents use recycling systems effectively.

WHEREAS, XXXX County recycles less than XX% of its municipal waste stream and would benefit from a fresh take on waste, funded planning, and state grants, including funding for:

- x Improved recycling infrastructure and services
- x Public education

WHEREAS, Public Act 588 enrolled in the 2018 Legislative makes annual funding available to support the amendments proposed to Michigan Solid Waste Laws;

ACCORDINGLY, it is hereby resolved that the County of XXXX supports the substantial update of Michigan solid waste laws, Part 115, for the advancement of local, county, regional, and state recycling goals and county materials management planning.

Adopted by the Count of XXXX on this day,

Signed:

Chairman of the XXXX County Board of Commissioners

Certification

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF XXXX)

I, _____, Clerk of the County of XXXX, Michigan, do hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the XXXX County Board of Commissioners on the _____ day of _____, 2021

In TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the Seal of the County of XXXX, Michigan this of _____, 2021.

County Clerk

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Recycling Drop Off Station Grant

WHEREAS, the Lenawee County Board of Commissioners understands the importance of recycling and the impact it has on our community, environment, and our economy; and

WHEREAS, the Board recognized our community's challenges and has made known its intent to provide recycling opportunities for all county residents by establishing a centrally located Lenawee County Recycling Drop Off Site; and

WHEREAS, the County Drop Off Site has diverted an average of 500 tons of materials from landfills on an annual basis, which amounts to approximately 22% of the residential recycling materials collected in Lenawee County; and

WHEREAS, while the compactors remain in good condition, an additional compactor and upgrades to the existing chutes will minimize jamming due to over-sized objects being deposited, compaction cycles will be regulated, and recycling will continue to grow; and

WHEREAS, these improvements will provide a safe and efficient collection site and offer a more consistent service to all residents thereby encouraging the continuation of recycling efforts; while realizing a cost savings to the County through maintenance personnel; and

WHEREAS, upgrades and improvements to our recycling drop off site will also increase the amount of materials diverted from landfills, cut green-house gas emissions by reducing transportation and avoiding the use of virgin materials for manufacturing; and add to the statewide recycling rate goal of 45 percent statewide by 2025.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Lenawee County Board of Commissioners approves applying for EGLE Recycling Infrastructure Grant funding and hereby approves a local match in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.

PASSED BY ROLL CALL VOTE of the Lenawee County Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting held Wednesday, May 11, 2021, in, Adrian, Michigan.

David Stimpson, Chair

Roxann Holloway, County Clerk