

MINUTES
CLAY COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
8:00 A.M. THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 2018
ROOM B, 3RD FLOOR, CLAY COUNTY COURHOUSE

Members Present: Kevin Campbell, Grant Weyland, Russ Colson, Chuck Hendrickson, Wayne Lepper, Russ McDougall, Everett Nelson, Joe Pederson, Roger Richman, DiAnn Streifel, Sara Watson-Curry

Members Absent:

Others Present: Kirk Rosenberger, Shannon Thompson, Julie Kennedy, Larry Henry, Marlon Mackowick, Dave Overbo, Mary Aldrich, Jenn Pickett, Brian Berg, Steve Moore, Todd Bratlien, Maggie Gruber, Matt Evans, Paul Kalibabky, Dave Olek, Todd, Jason Hartmann, Bob Craggs, Mandy Peterson, Dick Popp, Kathy Ihle

On motion by, seconded by Roger Richman, seconded by Chuck Hendrickson, and unanimously carried, the Committee approved the meeting agenda.

On motion by Wayne Lepper, seconded by Russell McDougall, and unanimously carried, the Committee approved the minutes from November 30, 2017.

Recycler of the Year

Grant Weyland presented Dick Popp and Mandy Peterson of ACE Hardware-Moorhead, the Clay County Recycler of the Year Award in appreciation of their hard work providing a drop-off location to the citizens of Moorhead, and collecting, storing, and hauling fluorescent bulbs for recycling.

Landfill Construction Update – Marlon Mackowick

Marlon Mackowick presented a PowerPoint to summarize landfill operations from October 22, 2016, through November 2017, and 2019 construction operations. During this period the landfill took in 35,998 tons of waste. Total tonnage including ADC (alternate daily cover) materials such as fines, contaminated soil, and ash is 51,448 tons. Total airspace utilized by landfill operations – 37,980 cubic yards. Total compaction rate – 1,896 pounds/cubic yards, (not including ADC). Industry’s compaction rate goal - 1,200 to 1,400 pounds/cubic yards. The landfill has almost 3 million yards of waste capacity remaining.

Mackowick recommends expanding leachate recirculation in the new area to help offset construction costs. The landfill has a lot of capacity remaining, approximately 70 years based on 40,000 tons/yearly; 70 years at 1,996 pounds cubic yard compaction rate; 52 years at 1,400 pounds/cubic yard compaction rate; 44 years at 1,200 pound/cubic yard compaction rate. Mackowick also recommended fill sequence and identified the recommended fill sequence areas.

Plastic Bag Task Force – Laura Wessberg

Kirk Rosenberger reported the Plastic Bag Taskforce started. A discussion regarding a plastic bag contest with the public schools is planned.

Recycling Update – Shannon Thompson

Shannon Thompson reports she attended the Rollag board meeting and talked about placing recycling bins, which was well received. Participants interested in the Master Recycler/Composter class will be able to register through Moorhead Community Education in April and May. Participants will volunteer 30 hours as part of their certification process.

Landfill Update – Larry Henry

Larry Henry reported there have been a few windy days where the landfill shut down. A power outage at the landfill brought about the problem of how to work with the scale shut down. Roster help has been hired at the landfill to help get caught up with paper picking and/or anything else that needs to be done.

Household Hazardous Waste Update – Julie Kennedy

Julie Kennedy reports things are going well, traffic has slowed down because of winter. A lot of the product coming in is frozen and needs time to thaw out. Kennedy is preparing the HHW annual report that is due to the state. The amounts brought in last year, compared to the year before, were up 3% on amounts, down 2% on the number of households. The exchange is down 6% which is dependent on product coming in. Twelve percent of product brought in last year was put through the exchange and the county did not pay for. Paperwork is being prepared so ProBuild can be a PaintCare drop off site.

Perham Update – Kevin Campbell

Kevin Campbell reports he attended the budget meeting in Perham on January 24th. The financial situation is good. There is some concern that all counties are not paying the same tipping fee. A method to ensure fair costs and risks for all counties will be discussed at the next Prairie Lakes Board Meeting.

During March there will be a major construction project to correct pieces that haven't worked. Ottetail will bond the project over 10 years. Repayment will be incorporated into the Prairie Lakes budget with little impact to each of the member counties. In the meantime, there will be some downtime. There will be fewer tons able to go in there because of that portion being shut down.

Solid Waste Update – Kirk Rosenberger

Kirk Rosenberger reports information for the annual landfill report is being gathered and will be completed by the end of February. Copies will be available.

Request For Purchase (RFP) for the single-sort MRF (Material Resource Facility) public/private partnership has generated interest from companies and surrounding counties. The proposals are due February 7th. Steve Moore, Kevin Campbell, Grant Weyland, Chuck Hendrickson, Sarah Watson-Curry, and Burns and McDonnell will be part of the review panel. Rosenberger informed SWAC members that Clay County was not included in the governor's bonding proposal.

The next SWAC meeting will have a tutorial on water monitoring, intervention levels, wells, and aquifers. A well west of the landfill exceeded the intervention level for vinyl chloride.