

MINUTES
CLAY COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
8:00 A.M. THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2019
ROOM B, 3RD FLOOR, CLAY COUNTY COURTHOUSE

Members Present: Kevin Campbell, Grant Weyland, Cliff Bang, Chuck Hendrickson, Wayne Lepper, Russ McDougall, Roger Richman, Sara Watson Curry, Russ Colson, Everett Nelson

Members Absent: Joe Pederson

Others Present: Kirk Rosenberger, Larry Henry, Shannon Thompson, Julie Kennedy, Steve Moore, Todd Bratlien, Darla Lewandowski, Jen Pickett, Stephen Larson, Dave Olek, Matt Evans, Elise Steger, Anthony Weigel, Kathy Ihle

Commissioner Kevin Campbell called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m., and initiated introductions.

On Motion by Roger Richman, seconded by Russ McDougall, and unanimously carried, the Committee approved the meeting agenda.

On Motion by Roger Richman, seconded by Wayne Lepper, and unanimously carried, the Committee approved the Minutes from January 24, 2019.

Recycling Update

Kirk Rosenberger provided the recycling update. The **Recycle at the Pump** program in Barnesville has been well received. The City of Hawley is interested in the program and is working with Thompson.

Thompson is working with an organization named **A Greener Read** out of the Cities to make book recycling available in the Barnesville and Hawley Recycling Centers. Books that are put in collection boxes are donated, sold or recycled to keep books out of the landfill. If the program is well received, Clay County would like to expand.

The Moorhead Library will have workshops for Earth Week on April 10 and April 17. Activities include a trash-to-art contest and exhibition will be April 22 – 27. There will also be story time and a t-shirt logo contest.

Spring Cleanup Week in the City of Moorhead will be May 6 – May 10. Clay County is working with Fuchs Sanitation for Spring Cleanup collection dates in Barnesville and Hawley.

Landfill Update – Larry Henry

Larry Henry reported there have been many cold weather issues with some of the equipment not starting. The transducer fell and parts have been ordered for that. Things have been running very well.

Plastic Bag Update – Jen Pickett & Darla Lewandowski

Jen Pickett & Darla Lewandowski reported the plastic bag program contest is going well. Moorhead schools have brought in 245 pounds of bags, West Fargo brought in 126 pounds and Fargo has brought in 78 pounds.

Pickett said the Fargo book recycling program is going on its 4th year. The collections have sparked a lot of interest and will continue.

Landfill Project Update – Matt Evans

Matt Evans of Burns & McDonnell updated the Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) on the meeting he had with Larry Henry and Elise Steger regarding the landfill design details. Evans said there are three primary pieces to the landfill project. The cell construction is where waste will be placed with the bottom liner that is being placed in a new area in the southwest corner of the existing active area. The second aspect is the cell closure and the third piece is the gas flow collection system and how it ties the three wells into the project.

Perham Update – Kevin Campbell

Kevin Campbell said things are running smooth. The year-to-date numbers are matching up and there will be funds for the first bond payment due in May. One burner is down for routine maintenance. The tonnage being delivered is matching up and being processed with what we anticipated for the year.

Solid Waste Update – Kirk Rosenberger

Kirk Rosenberger reported that the meetings went well at local legislative conference in St. Paul.

There will be more discussion on the landfill design next month at the SWAC meeting. Rosenberger will recommend a tipping fee increase, which will be challenging as those fees have not been increased in quite a while.

Larry Henry will retire the end of March.

PaintCare is no longer offered in Hawley.