

MINUTES
CLAY COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
8:00 A.M. THURSDAY, APRIL 29, 2021
ROOM B, 3RD FLOOR, CLAY COUNTY COURHOUSE

Members Present: Kevin Campbell, Jenny Mongeau, Cliff Bang, Russ Colson, Chuck Hendrickson, Wayne Lepper, Russ McDougall, Everett Nelson, Joe Pederson, Roger Richman

Others Present: Kirk Rosenberger, Shannon Thompson, Stephen Larson, Todd Bratlien, Brett Rice, Jeff Rehder, Kathy Ihle, and joining virtually: Julie Kennedy, Matt Evans, Dave Overbo, Jenn Pickett, Heidi Ringhofer, David Crowell

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

On motion by Jenny Mongeau, seconded by Chuck Hendrickson, and unanimously carried, the Committee approved the minutes from March 25, 2021.

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

Felton Request for Funding of Recycling Center – Jeff Rehder

Jeff Rehder presented on behalf of the Felton City Council with a financial assistance request to build a recycling center on tax-forfeited property. A handout with an estimated quote for building materials was provided.

Kevin Campbell said the intentions are good, but the request exceeds what Felton qualifies for on an annual basis. The County budget is very tight for recycling money.

Roger Richman suggested setting up a committee to establish a formula to handle requests for additional money.

On motion by Roger Richman, seconded by Jenny Mongeau, and unanimously carried, the Committee approved the request to reestablish the committee to work on a formula for requests for additional recycling money.

Landfill Pricing – Brett Rice

Brett Rice came before the SWAC members to propose a price increase for landfill tire/rim recycling charges. An environmental fee will be included into the new charge. The pricing would be good through 2022.

On motion by Joe Pederson, seconded by Roger Richman, and unanimously carried, the Committee approved the request to present the tire/rim fee increase to the County Board.

Landfill Construction – Matt Evans

Matt Evans reported the landfill construction project is going well. The boiler is being installed and parts are coming in. The flare gas collection system is running well.

Perham Update – Kevin Campbell

Kevin Campbell said the plant is running well. Many of the \$2 million bond projects are almost complete. There is a need to improve the internal service fund with projects coming up that are expensive, and the County cannot afford to take those projects out of the budget.

There is opportunity for another company to provide insurance between four entities to save \$1.2 million in premiums which would be a significant savings for Perham.

General Updates – Kirk Rosenberger

Kirk Rosenberger reports many residents attended the April 17 collection held in Barnesville for HHW and Electronics. The next collection will be Saturday, May 1 in Moorhead at the HHW facility. The last collection will be in Hawley on Saturday, May 15th. The Business Electronics and Fluorescent Bulb Collection will be on Thursday, May 20 from 8:30 – 10 am at the Clay County Landfill and Noon – 4 pm at the Electronic Recycling Shed in North Moorhead.

Costs for the transfer station project are rising. Final drawings are being done and will be complete May 3. Construction Engineers will advertise for bids May 4. The bids will be due May 18 and hope to go to the County Board on May 25 with a maximum guaranteed price.

The meeting adjourned at 9:08 am.