

MINUTES
CLAY COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
8:00 A.M. THURSDAY, JULY 26, 2018
Meeting Room B, Clay County Courthouse

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

Members Absent: Russ Colson

Others Present: Kirk Rosenberger, Julie Kennedy, Larry Henry, Steve Moore, Dave Olek, Jon Buck, Kathy Ihle

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

On motion by Roger Richman, seconded by Everett Nelson, and unanimously carried, the Committee approved the minutes from June 28, 2018.

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

Landfill Update – Larry Henry

Larry Henry stated things are going well and the landfill site looks good. The landfill shut down a couple of times because of winds more than 25-30 MPH. A new landfill cell will allow an alternative area where waste will not be exposed to extreme wind conditions.

The landfill is waiting for delivery of the new transfer trailer. The tractor to pull the trailer will also need to be updated in the future.

Household Hazardous Waste – Julie Kennedy

Julie Kennedy reported a good turnout in Ulen, MN, at the Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) free pesticide collection on July 10th.

Kennedy said HHW applied and has been approved to set up and become a Very Small Quantity Generator (VSQG). The program will take small amounts of waste product from businesses when set up and running. Businesses would have to contact Julie to make an appointment.

Perham Update – Kevin Campbell

Kevin Campbell reported that stack testing in Perham has been done and has the capability to produce more steam.

The budget meeting is on August 17, and the recommended budget will go to the board on August 22. Campbell did not think there would be a need for much change. Each county must sign off on the exchange(s).

General Update – Kirk Rosenberger

Kirk Rosenberger reported that notices have gone out to TV and radio stations regarding the next empty pesticide collection on August 17th at the landfill.

Rosenberger said he attended a circular economy meeting in the Twin Cities last week. Recyclers throughout the country are having a problem getting rid of recyclable products. The listed industry price for paper is negative \$5/ton. Economic development for recyclables is critical and the PCA would like to develop markets in Minnesota. This will take time.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.