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Iron County Recycling Committee March 16, 2011

- 1. Meeting called to order at 5:00 by Chairman Luke. Members present: Luke, Smith, Wiita, Mullard, and Koski. Others present: Mikula, Brunello, Nicholls, and Prenderville.
- 2. The committee recognized the meeting was properly posted and advertised.
- 3. Motion by Mullard, seconded by Wiita to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. All in favor.
- 4. Status of Recycling Program: Governor Walker has proposed the elimination of the requirement that a municipality or county operate a recycling program and to eliminate financial assistance for local government recycling programs in the proposed budget bill. Motion by Wiita, seconded by Mullard to sign on to a letter drafted by the Associated Recyclers of Wisconsin, the Solid Waste Association of North America, the Wisconsin Counties Solid Waste Management Association, and the Wisconsin Council on Recycling to Governor Walker and State Legislators urging them to reconsider the elimination of the program and the elimination of funding and requesting a reinstatement of recycling grants at a funding level consistent with the last state budget, and to recommend to the Iron County Board of Supervisors they pass a resolution opposing the elimination of municipal recycling requirements and opposing the elimination of the recycling grant program. All in favor.
- 5. Waste Management Contract: The WM contract automatically renews every 3 years. The County has between 60 and 180 days to notify WM if they choose not to renew the contract. The contract will renew August 1st of this year. Motion by Wiita, seconded by Mullard to have Prenderville get quotes from JB Disposal and Veolia Environmental Services. All in favor. The companies will be informed the County owns the 2 compactors and the 20 yard roll-off boxes and their equipment will have to be compatible. Any contract entered into will be contingent on State funding of the recycling program.
- 6. Motion by Smith, seconded by Wiita to approve the bills as presented. All in favor.
- 7. Motion by Mullard, seconded by Wiita to accept the financial report as presented and place it on file. All in favor.
- 8. School Update: Tabled

- 9. Oil Filters: Jerry's Amoco will accept oil filters at a minimal charge. The Town of Sherman will be contracting with JB Disposal at the cost of \$1/filter.
- 10. CFL Spiral Bulbs: Although residents are not required to recycle CFL spiral bulbs, it is highly encouraged. Iron County does not have a local drop off for them, but residents (and businesses) may contact companies such as Waste Management or EcoEllies.com to order boxes in which they may send light bulbs in to be recycled.
- 11. Brochures: The City of Montreal is not listed on the current brochure. The brochures will be updated when we know the status of the program and who we will be contracting with.
- 12. Motion by Mullard, seconded by Smith to pay the Iron County Youth Camp \$500 to be used for recycling education. All in favor.
- 13. Mercer County J Road Restrictions: Received a waiver for the cardboard container to be moved while the weight restrictions are on County J.
- 14. 2010 Annual Report: Tabled
- 15. Public Comment: Mr. Mikula read an article about the phasing out of incandescent light bulbs.
- 16. New Business: Brad Mattson is filling in for Kenny Wells in the Town of Sherman.
- 17. Future Agenda Items: The next recycling meeting will be on April 20th at 5:00. Agenda items will include discussing quotes, status of recycling program, and the 2010 annual report.
- 18. Motion to adjourn made by Smith, seconded by Wiita. All in favor.