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Iron County Recycling Committee July 27, 2011

- 1. Meeting called to order at 5:00 by Chairman Gerald Luke. Present: Luke, Wiita, Mullard, Smith, and Koski. Also present: Sandy Brunello, Ken Nicholls, and Lori 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. Nothing has changed in the status of the recycling program since the last meeting.
- 5. A letter was sent to the Town of Sherman requesting they remove the electric meter for the recycling building, which will save \$30/month on the meter charge.
- 6. Motion by Koski, seconded by Smith to pay the bills as presented. All in favor.
- 7. Motion by Mullard, seconded by Koski to accept the financial report as presented and place it on file. All in favor.
- 8. Monthly Savings with Program Eliminations: An estimate was prepared indicating approximately \$3000/month savings with the eliminations made to the recycling program.
- 9. Discuss/Act Upon Any Further Financial Changes: None at this time.
- 10. Auditors: The auditors had questioned the need for a 5 member recycling committee. Prenderville spoke with the DNR, who advised although the DNR does not require a committee, most municipalities have their coordinator report to some type of committee. They strongly recommended not making any changes in Iron County as "Iron County's Recycling Committee has done a great job with coordinating recycling activities, including vendor/hauler contracting, education and outreach activities, and compliance in the county. I believe the Committee's coordination efforts have actually saved your member municipalities money, time, and effort in the long run; and it is also a sounding board for upcoming recycling, solid waste, and open burning issues. The Committee seems to also provide you with guidance on how to proceed with recycling projects in the county."
- 11. Public Comment: Prenderville will be joining a committee at the Hurley K-12 School, who is implementing a recycling program.
- 12. New Business: Received the contract back from Waste Management.
- 13. Future Agenda Items and Set Meeting Date: The next meeting will be held on August 24 at 5:00. Agenda items to include: Service Contract, Monthly Savings with Program Eliminations, Discuss/Act Upon Any Further Financial Changes.
- 14. Motion to adjourn made by Wiita, seconded by Smith. All in favor.