

Iron County Recycling Committee
September 20th, 2017

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1. Meeting called to order at 4:00 by Chairman Mullard. Present: Mullard, Thompson, Hanson, Saari, Pinardi. Others present: Denny Stever, Patricia Stever, and Lori Prenderville.
2. The Committee recognized the meeting was properly posted and advertised.
3. Motion by Thompson, seconded by Saari to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. All in favor.
4. Eagle Waste Update – Discussion: No representatives from Eagle Waste present. They did not provide answers to the committee’s list of concerns. Thompson reported when they pull the box in Mercer, it creates a mess with recyclables falling out. Stever agreed they still do not have the net that is necessary to prevent that. On Sept 12, EW pulled the Hurley compactor box while the site was open. Stever had to put the plastics and glass in the fiber containers. EW is supposed to be providing a switch-out box. Stever checked the box Whittinghill had told the committee was falling apart. It needs minor repairs, but does not need to be replaced. If/when Eagle Waste provides a switch-out box, our box can be repaired. Stever reported the yellow light is coming on the compactor when it is not full. Pinardi will ask Highway mechanical personnel to look at the compactor and bill recycling. The committee instructed Prenderville to draft a letter to EW informing them they need to provide a switch-out box as stated in the contract.
5. Approval of Bills: Eagle Waste had not emptied the box on County FF in the month of June. As directed by the Committee, Prenderville did not request a check for EW for that site for June. EW is charging a \$5 late fee. EW office personnel informed Prenderville the driver could not find the box when he went to pull it in June, so they pulled it twice in July. Motion by Saari, seconded by Thompson to pay their original bill, but not the \$5 late fee. All in favor.

Motion by Hanson, seconded by Thompson to pay the remaining bills as presented. All in favor.

The EW contract states \$490/month for the 5 fiber boxes in Mercer pulled weekly. Since we went to 2X/week pickup due to high volume, they are charging \$1350. Thompson told Prenderville to let EW know we can go back to 1X/week pickup.

6. Motion to accept the Financial Report and place it on file made by Thompson, seconded by Saari. All in favor.
7. Motion by Thompson, seconded by Saari to approve the 2018 Grant Request. All in favor.
8. HHW, Electronics, White Good, and Tire Collection: Tabled. No information received from Afterlife Electronics yet.
9. Oma Trailer: The Town of Oma paid \$6200 for a trailer for collecting recycling and solid waste. The DNR Equipment Rates allows \$10.26/hour for a trailer with a capacity of less than one ton. Motion by Thompson, seconded by Hanson to pay \$5.13/hour, ½ of the allowable amount as the trailer is used for recycling and solid waste, as long as the budget allows. All in favor.
10. Public Comment: At the August meeting, Whittinghill had stated he would be coming to the Hurley site to speak with Stever. He did not. Stever requested Whittinghill be contacted to come to the Hurley site. Stever told the Committee about a brush pile behind the shed. Pinardi will get the City of Hurley to pick it up. Stever expressed concern with the list of items EW supplied as to what they do and do not accept. Not all members of the committee had the list. Mullard will get Prenderville a list and she will distribute to committee members so this can be discussed at the October meeting.
11. The next meeting will be held on October 18th. Agenda items to include: Collection Totals, Compactor Update, and Eagle Waste Discussion.
12. Motion by Thompson, seconded by Saari to adjourn. All in favor.