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GREEN TEAM/RECYCLING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Thursday, March 22, 2018
9:30 a.m.

Manistee County Courthouse & Government Center
Board of Commissioners Meeting Room

MINUTES

Members Present: Karen Goodman and Margaret Batzer

Members Absent: Brook Shafer, Chairperson

Others Present: Julie Schmeling, Administrative Secretary; Sarah Archer, Iris Waste Diversion Specialists; David Kieft, County Administrator/Controller; Bruce Schimke, Maintenance Supervisor; Phil Landis, Stronach Township; Jill M. Nowak, County Clerk

The meeting was called to Order at 9:30 a.m.

NOTE – Items requiring Board Action are indicated in BOLD

P.A. 69 RECYCLING UPDATE

Sarah Archer of Iris Waste Diversions Specialists, presented the Manistee County Green Team Recycling Program Report of March 22, 2018. (Appendix A) Ms. Archer explained there was no volume report for February 2018 because of a discrepancy in billing and the weight ticket. However, a report will be forthcoming. The monthly Newsletter has been sent out. Iron Fish Distillery is a new business sponsorship. The Distillery is also interested in recycling glass bottles at PA 69 sites. Ms. Archer will be reviewing the possibility of this, including the location and the pricing of the heavier glass materials. A fee policy for recycling business materials and quantities needs to be set. Ms. Archer will draft some parameters for business sponsorship possibly by the pound, ton or volume, for review.

The 3R Project (Regional Resource Recovery) next meeting is this afternoon at the AES Building at 1 p.m. The Project Team is working to identify priorities and activities.

The MDEQ scrap tire collection grant was awarded for the full amount requested of \$8,000. The event will be held in the fall and the Manistee Fairgrounds in Onkama will be the event location. Details of the event are still being worked out with more information to follow.

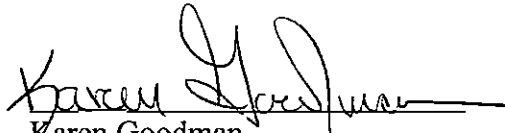
OTHER ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

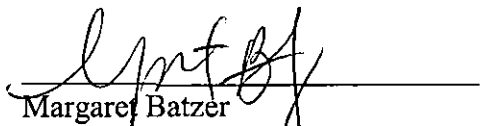
E-Waste was discussed that the County has computer equipment piling up and it was reported that a company can come from Traverse City for \$50 per load. The main thing is to make sure that the company is registered with the State as a Recycler. Another thought was maybe E-Waste could be coordinated with the HHW Event.

The Bay Area Recycling Center (BARC) in Kaleva that had a fire a few months ago, plans to rebuild and will hopefully will be open in the summer 2018.

The meeting was adjourned at the Call of the Chair at 10:03 a.m.

ABSENT
Brook Shafer, Chairperson


Karen Goodman


Margaret Batzer

APPENDIX A

**Manistee County Green Team
Recycling Program Report – March 22, 2018
Sarah Archer, Iris Waste Diversion Specialists, Inc.**

The following is a summary of Recycling Program activity since February 22, 2018

Meeting Attendance

- Green Team Meeting – February 22, 2018

Current Volume Report

Total weight (pounds) of materials collected from 5 recycling drop-off sites.

January	48,242	April		July		October	
February		May		August		November	
March		June		September		December	
Total To-Date							48,242

Education

- Monthly e-newsletter sent

Sponsorship

- New Business Sponsor - Iron Fish Distillery \$100 – Interested in recycling glass bottles at PA69 sites.

Regional Resource Recovery (3R) Project

- A meeting was held on February 22, 2018 at the Alliance for Economic Success office. The meeting notes are attached. The Project Team is working through a process to identify priority activities.
- The next meeting will be held on March 22, 2018 at the Alliance for Economic Success from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. The meeting agenda is attached.

Other

- The MDEQ scrap tire collection grant was awarded for the full amount requested. The grant agreement is expected in the coming weeks. An announcement of the grant award and event dates will be made upon receipt of fully executed agreement from State of Michigan.
- Benzie County Recycling Coordinator, David Schaffer has accepted a new position as the Resource Recovery Manager for Grand Traverse County beginning the first week of April.

Regional Resource Recovery Project - Team Meeting

February 22, 2018 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Alliance for Economic Success - Conference Room

395 Third St. Manistee, MI 49660

Meeting Notes

Facilitator: Sarah Archer, Iris Waste Diversion Specialists

Project Team members in attendance:

AES, Lisa Leedy and Christina Karnisz; Benzie County, David Schaffer; Filer Township, Shirley Ball; Manistee Conservation District, Susan Spencer; Manistee County, Tom Kaminski and Dave Kieft Jr.; Mason County, Fabian Knizacky; Onekama Township, Dave Wallace;

Welcome, Introductions, Updates

The new County Administrator, Dave Kieft Jr. was introduced, and he provided a brief overview of his background and experience. The group thanked Tom Kaminski for his work on the project and to the County and invited him to continue to serve on the Project Team.

Archer announced the project has received authorization for an extension through April. Meetings will continue on the fourth Thursday of March and April from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. at the Alliance for Economic Success office. Archer provided an update on Governor Snyder's funding proposal to support resource recovery and information received from a webinar on the subject. Karnisz also listened in on the webinar and suggested that the group send a letter to Matt Flechter at his invitation to identify challenges people see with the funding proposal and pending legislation.

Evaluate Goals and Desired Outcomes

The Project Team continued from the February meeting with the process of evaluating goals using the following factors:

1. Potential Benefits and Impacts
2. Likely challenges
3. Degree of Difficulty – Low, Medium, High
4. Potential Impact – Low, Medium, High
5. Stakeholders - Those who would support and those who would oppose
6. Address Objections

Goal 1C – Multiple Jurisdiction Service Contracts

I. Benefits

- Price
- Range of services
- Uniformity
- Added services
- Hauler appeal for consistent number of households to serve
 - Potential for longer term contracts
- Fewer trucks on road
 - Reduced wear and tear to roads
 - Reduced noise from trucks
 - Safety – less opportunity for encounter with public/children
- Easier, simplified service to residents
- Centralized administration
- Authority Model
 - Own trucks and employ drivers
 - Competitive costs to private haulers

2. Challenges

- Residents perspective of the "Right" to choose hauler
- Keeping officials happy
- Agreement on level of service
 - Fee structure
- Hauler options
- Reduce push back by providing information on what the program is rather than offer choices

3. Degree of Difficulty - High

4. Potential Impact -

5. Stakeholders

- Every citizen who wants "choice"
- Hauler with contracts
- Officials

Goal 1D – Multi Jurisdiction Events

1. Benefits

- More likely to happen
- Collaboration
 - Trust, relationship, benefit
- Commitments to fund
- Broader services on Clean Up Days
- Community unification
- Networking
- Feel good
- Shared expenses and promo
- Opportunity to educate about materials
- Opportunity to experience collaboration as work towards broader regional goals

2. Challenges

- Agreeing on what services to offer
- Support of officials
- Scheduling, coordination
- Location of event to serve participating jurisdictions
- Insurance
 - Rider on Policy
- Charge for hard to recycle materials

3. Degree of Difficulty - Medium to Low

4. Potential Impact -

5. Stakeholders

- Officials
- Site
- Volunteers

At the March meeting, the Project Team will evaluate the final goal; the feasibility of a resource recovery drop-off center to serve the region, then compare all goals to determine the most feasible to work towards.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Next meeting: March 22, 2018 1:00 - 3:00 p.m., Alliance for Economic Success

**Regional Resource Recovery Project
Team Meeting**

Thursday, March 22, 2018
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Alliance for Economic Success
395 Third St. Manistee, MI 49660
231-723-4325

Agenda

1:00 pm – Welcome, Introductions, Updates

1:15 pm – Continue to Evaluate Goals and Desired Outcomes

Goal 2 - Investigate Feasibility of a Resource Recovery Center/Super Drop-Off Center

Evaluation Factors

1. Potential Benefits and Impacts
2. Likely challenges
3. Degree of Difficulty – Low, Medium, High
4. Potential Impact – Low, Medium, High
5. Stakeholders - Those who would support and those who would oppose
6. Address Objections

3:00 pm – Adjourn

Next Meeting – Thursday, April 26, 2018; same time and location