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**GREEN TEAM/RECYCLING COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Thursday, June 24, 2021  
8:30 a.m.

Manistee County Courthouse & Government Center  
Board of Commissioners Meeting Room

**MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Eric Gustad (Zoom, Filer Township), Nikki Koons (Zoom, Norman Township) and Margaret Batzer, Chairperson (Zoom, City of Manistee)

**Members Absent:** None

**Others Present:** Lisa Sagala, Administrator/Controller, Sarah Archer, Iris Waste Diversion Specialist; Renee Mallison, Manistee County Conservation District; Bruce Schimke, Maintenance Supervisor; Lindsey Marquardt, Chief Deputy Clerk

The meeting was called to Order at 8:30 a.m.

**NOTE – Items requiring Board Action are indicated in BOLD**

The County Board and its Committees are operating remotely and electronically by Zoom under the Manistee County Board of Commissioners Resolution #2020-17, which declared a Local State of Emergency through December 31, 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**P.A. 69 RECYCLING UPDATE**

Sara Archer presented the P.A. 69 Recycling Update Report of June 23, 2021. (APPENDIX A) Volume has increased from April to May of this year but has decreased 7% from May of 2020.

Total program costs through May are \$7,231.19 higher than this time in 2020. The increase in costs is mainly due to several occurrences of oil contamination to the containers.

The EGLE Scrap Tire even is set for Saturday, June 26, 2021, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Bay Area Recycling for Charities site in Kaleva. The Waste Advisor recycling directory went live on the County's website on June 23, 2021. The Manistee News Advocate will be doing an article about options for recycling oil in Manistee County. Ms. Archer will ask the reporter to also include some information on the new Waste Advisor recycling directory.

An application for the EGLE Rural Electronics Recycling Grant will not be submitted this round due to the uncertainty of the Onekama site. An application for the EGLE Recycling Grant will be prepared and submitted by August 18, 2021, so long as a suitable location for the Onekama site relocation can be identified.

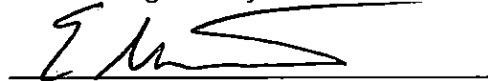
Ms. Archer met with the Onekama Township Board regarding suitability of the site for relocation of the recycling bins and PCA trainer. Supervisor David Meister proved a potential set of 8-mile Road near Blarney Castle. The site is not owned by Blarney Castle but by Northwest Michigan Health Services based in Traverse City. Northwest Michigan Health Services is not interested in leasing the property but rather selling it. Margaret Batzer inquired if ARPA funds could be use for this project. Further inquiry will be made regarding the possible relocation of the Onekama Recycling site.

New labels have been placed on all containers throughout the county. (APPENDIX A-2) Nikki Koons inquired of possible literature available to hand out in Norman Township. Margaret Batzer would like the City contacted regarding the recycling trailer at Manistee Catholic Central. The trailer was closed for 3 straight days as it was full. Ms. Archer will contact the City regarding the trailer issues.

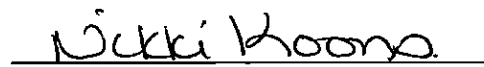
#### OTHER ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

None.

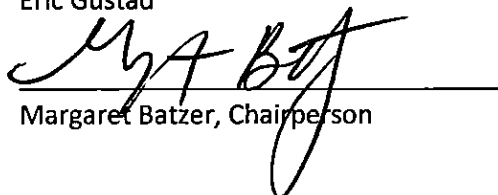
The meeting was adjourned at the Call of the Chair at 9:00 a.m.



Eric Gustad



Nikki Koons



Margaret Batzer, Chairperson

**Manistee County Green Team  
Recycling Program Report – June 23, 2021  
Sarah Archer, Iris Waste Diversion Specialists, Inc.**

The following is a summary of Recycling Program activity since May 26, 2021.

Meeting Attendance

- Green Team – May 27, 2021 - virtual
- Onekama Township Board – June 9, 2021 - in person

Current Volume Report

Total weight (pounds) of materials collected from 7 PA69 Recycling Program drop-off sites. **See attached Volume Report for site specific data.**

January	41,876	April	17,236	July		October	
February	26,602	May	35,030	August		November	
March	39,720	June		September		December	
						Total To-Date	160,464

- There was a 7% decrease in volume for May 2021 compared to May 2020.
- Total program costs through May are \$7,231.19 higher than this time in 2020.

Education

- Monthly e-newsletter sent.

Grant Projects

- EGLE SCRAP TIRE GRANT
  - Upcoming events – Saturdays, June 26, 2021 – 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. – Bay Area Recycling for Charities, Kaleva.
- EGLE 2020 RECYCLING QUALITY IMPROVEMENT GRANT
  - The Manistee County online “Waste Advisor” recycling directory went live June 23 with promotion to media and communities to follow.
- EGLE RURAL ELECTRONICS RECYCLING GRANT – The grant deadline is July 2, 2021. An application will not be submitted this round.
- EGLE RECYCLING GRANT
  - An application will be prepared for submission by August 18, 2021 deadline, given a suitable location can be identified for relocation of the Onekama Township recycling site.

Operations

- Archer met with the Onekama Township Board regarding suitability of the site for relocation of the recycling bins and PCA trailer. Supervisor Meister provided a lead to a potential site off 8-mile Road near Blarney Castle. Upon inquiry, Archer learned the site is not owned by Blarney Castle but is owned by Northwest Michigan Health Services based in Traverse City. Archer will contact property owner to determine potential for use of the site.
- Large volumes of contamination or disposal of used motor oil have continued to plague the recycling sites in Onekama, Kaleva, and Copemish. The cost of clean up and disposal from May incident in 2 of the bins at the Onekama site cost the program \$850.00. Contamination fees to-date are \$3,200.00.
- All PA69 Recycling Program bins have been updated with new labels that were purchased with funding from the 2020 EGLE/The Recycling Partnership Recycling Quality Improvement grant.



# RECYCLE

## Metal



**Aluminum and Steel Cans**  
(empty and clean)

## Paper



**Paper and Cartons**  
(all colors and types)

## Glass



**Glass Bottles and Jars**  
(empty and clean)

## Cardboard



**Cardboard**  
(empty and clean)

## Plastic



**Plastic Bottles, Jars and Jugs**  
(empty and clean)

### NO!



**Do not Bag Recyclables**  
No Garbage



**No Plastic Bag or Plastic Wrap**



**No Tangles**  
(no hoses, wires, chains, or electronics)



**No Foam**



**No Hazardous Waste**  
(no motor oil)



**No Bulky Items**



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Manistee County PA 69 Recycling Program Monthly Volume Data Report

May 2021

Month	LBS	% Change from Previous Month	Month	LBS	% Change from Previous Month
<b>JANUARY</b>			<b>JULY</b>		
Arcadia Twp	9,128.0	-35%	Arcadia Twp	0.0	
Brown Twp	5,079.0	0%	Brown Twp	0.0	
Cleon Twp	3,807.0	0%	Cleon Twp	0.0	
Dickson Twp	1,119.0	N/A	Dickson Twp	0.0	
Maple Grove Twp	7,617.0	0%	Maple Grove Twp	0.0	
Onekama Twp	12,171.0	-26%	Onekama Twp	0.0	
Springdale Twp	2,955.0	-29%	Springdale Twp	0.0	
<b>JANUARY TOTALS</b>	<b>41,876.0</b>	<b>-15%</b>	<b>JULY TOTAL</b>	<b>0.0</b>	
<b>FEBRUARY</b>			<b>AUGUST</b>		
Arcadia Twp	5,431.0	-68%	Arcadia Twp	0.0	
Brown Twp	3,076.0	-65%	Brown Twp	0.0	
Cleon Twp	1,987.0	-92%	Cleon Twp	0.0	
Dickson Twp	604.0	-85%	Dickson Twp	0.0	
Maple Grove Twp	3,973.0	-92%	Maple Grove Twp	0.0	
Onekama Twp	9,225.0	-32%	Onekama Twp	0.0	
Springdale Twp	2,306.0	-28%	Springdale Twp	0.0	
<b>FEBRUARY TOTALS</b>	<b>26,602.0</b>	<b>-57%</b>	<b>AUGUST TOTAL</b>	<b>0.0</b>	
<b>MARCH</b>			<b>SEPTEMBER</b>		
Arcadia Twp	9,341.0	72%	Arcadia Twp	0.0	
Brown Twp	4,152.0	35%	Brown Twp	0.0	
Cleon Twp	3,116.0	57%	Cleon Twp	0.0	
Dickson Twp	1,316.0	118%	Dickson Twp	0.0	
Maple Grove Twp	6,227.0	57%	Maple Grove Twp	0.0	
Onekama Twp	12,452.0	35%	Onekama Twp	0.0	
Springdale Twp	3,116.0	35%	Springdale Twp	0.0	
<b>MARCH TOTALS</b>	<b>39,720.0</b>	<b>-49%</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER TOTAL</b>	<b>0.0</b>	
<b>APRIL</b>			<b>OCTOBER</b>		
Arcadia Twp	3,741.0	-60%	Arcadia Twp	0.0	
Brown Twp	2,795.0	-33%	Brown Twp	0.0	
Cleon Twp	1,026.0	-67%	Cleon Twp	0.0	
Dickson Twp	945.0	-28%	Dickson Twp	0.0	
Maple Grove Twp	2,494.0	-60%	Maple Grove Twp	0.0	
Onekama Twp	4,987.0	-60%	Onekama Twp	0.0	
Springdale Twp	1,248.0	-60%	Springdale Twp	0.0	
<b>APRIL TOTALS</b>	<b>17,236.0</b>	<b>-57%</b>	<b>OCTOBER TOTAL</b>	<b>0.0</b>	
<b>MAY</b>			<b>NOVEMBER</b>		
Arcadia Twp	8,459.0	126%	Arcadia Twp	0.0	
Brown Twp	3,760.0	35%	Brown Twp	0.0	
Cleon Twp	2,820.0	175%	Cleon Twp	0.0	
Dickson Twp	951.0	1%	Dickson Twp	0.0	
Maple Grove Twp	4,940.0	98%	Maple Grove Twp	0.0	
Onekama Twp	11,280.0	126%	Onekama Twp	0.0	
Springdale Twp	2,820.0	126%	Springdale Twp	0.0	
<b>MAY TOTALS</b>	<b>35,030.0</b>	<b>103%</b>	<b>NOVEMBER TOTAL</b>	<b>0.0</b>	
<b>JUNE</b>			<b>DECEMBER</b>		
Arcadia Twp	0.0		Arcadia Twp	0.0	
Brown Twp	0.0		Brown Twp	0.0	
Cleon Twp	0.0		Cleon Twp	0.0	
Dickson Twp	0.0		Dickson Twp	0.0	
Maple Grove Twp	0.0		Maple Grove Twp	0.0	
Onekama Twp	0.0		Onekama Twp	0.0	
Springdale Twp	0.0		Springdale Twp	0.0	
<b>JUNE TOTALS</b>	<b>0.0</b>		<b>DECEMBER TOTAL</b>	<b>0.0</b>	
<b>YEAR TO DATE (in lbs.)</b>			<b>160,464.0</b>		
<b>YEAR TO DATE (tons)</b>			<b>80.2</b>		

Year to date comparison by site

Totals in pounds	May-20	May-21	Totals in tons	May-20	May-21
Arcadia Twp	9,240.0	8,459.0	Arcadia Twp	4.6	4.2
Brown Twp	4,106.0	3,760.0	Brown Twp	2.1	1.9
Cleon Twp	2,841.0	2,820.0	Cleon Twp	1.4	1.4
Dickson Twp	N/A	951.0	Dickson Twp	N/A	0.5
Maple Grove Twp	6,158.0	4,940.0	Maple Grove Twp	3.1	2.5
Onekama Twp	12,319.0	11,280.0	Onekama Twp	6.2	5.6
Springdale Twp	3,080.0	2,820.0	Springdale Twp	1.5	1.4
<b>Totals in pounds</b>	<b>37,744</b>	<b>35,030</b>	<b>Totals in Tons</b>	<b>18.9</b>	<b>17.5</b>