

Beaver Island Waste Management Committee Monthly Meeting  
Peaine Township Hall  
36825 Kings Highway, Beaver Island, MI 49782  
February 23, 2021 at NOON

Meeting held via Zoom due to the Covid-19 Pandemic and limitations on the number of persons permitted in a meeting hall.

MINUTES

**PRESENT**

Roll Call of Board Members Present/Participating: Paul Cole, Chair (St. James, MI); Frank D'Andraia, Recording Secretary (St. James, MI); Travis Martin, (Peaine, MI); Joe Moore (St. James, MI); Sheri Richards (Peaine, MI); Brock Rosema (Peaine, MI); and Doug Tilly (Peaine, MI). All members present.

**ABSENT**

None

**OTHERS**

Members of the public present at the start of the meeting and asking to be identified: Bob Marsh, Transfer Station Manager (Peaine, MI).

**GENERAL**

Chair Cole called to order a regular meeting of the Beaver Island Waste Management Committee at 12:01pm on February 23, 2021

Committee Member Rosmea requested to add the following item to the agenda: Tire Disposal

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Moved by Moore, supported by Richards to approve the following minutes as presented: Minutes of the December 15, 2020 and January 19, 2021 meetings of the Waste Management Committee. MOTION APPROVED - Unanimous.

**REPORTS**

Budget: Heard update from Tilly, including projected costs for implementation of Single Stream Recycling. Tilly addressed financial questions asked by committee members Moore and Richards.  
Transfer Station & Recycle Center: Received update from Manager Marsh

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Single Stream: The Chair announced he envisioned Peaine Township Trustees moving forward with the single stream recycling concept once final budget figures were reviewed and approved and that St. James Township was like minded.

**Old Business**

Single Stream Recycling Explained: The Chair invited committee members to address how to encourage resident participation regarding single stream recycling, as well as the initiative to bring a scrap metal baler to the island that could compact small and large vehicles, appliances, and other metal items.

Discussion followed. The Chair formed two working sub-committees: (1) Single Stream Incentives - Rosema, Richards and Tilly and (2) Metal Baler Incentives - Cole, Martin, and Tilly

Base Wage Adjustments: The Chair reported that both Peaine and St. James Township Trustees have approved base wage adjustments for Transfer Station and Recycle Center personnel effective April 1, 2021.

Increase Information on Transfer Station Single Stream Operations and Services: The Chair indicated he will work with the Transfer Station and Recycle Center Manager to educate the public on and about Single Stream Recycling.

Credit Card Machine/Charges: Marsh and Moore indicated acceptance of credit cards for payment of TS services should be up and running by April 1, 2021. The remaining issues are staff training and the input and linking of email addresses for about 35 existing TS accounts.

Green Strip: Cole and Marsh reported that a 150 feet green or buffer strip located on the east side of TS property needs to be maintained in accordance with a written agreement entered into with the neighboring landowner more than a decade ago. The Chair advised the Committee that the property line will be marked and signage would be put in place to advise current and future TS personnel that the 150 foot buffer or green strip must remain free of debris.

Tire Disposal: Rosema led a brief discussion on the need to up-date TS policy regarding the removal of old tires from the Island. Rosema noted the current policy is restrictive and makes removal dependent upon intermittent grants from Charlevoix County. It was the sense of the committee to investigate the cost of acquiring a tire shredder and rim crusher. The Chair proposed that the routinization of tire disposal be added to the Committee's list of goals and committee members concurred.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION Moore, second Martin to adjourn the meeting. MOTION APPROVED - Unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 1:07pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Frank D'Andraia, Recording Secretary