

Beaver Island Waste Management Committee
Peaine Township Hall
36825 King's Hwy, Beaver Island, MI 49782
Tuesday, January 18, 2022 at 1:30PM

DRAFT - Minutes

PRESENT: Roll Call of Board Members Present: Paul Cole, Chair; Frank D'Andraia, Recording Secretary; Committee members Vicky Fingerroot, Travis Martin, Brock Rosema, Sheri Richards, and Doug Tilly

ABSENT - None

OTHERS: Bob Marsh (Transfer Station and Recycle Center Manager)

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Cole called to order a regular meeting of the Beaver Island Waste Management Committee at 1:32pm on January 18, 2022.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Moved by Richards, supported by Martin to approve the (revised draft) Minutes of the December 21, 2021 meeting of the Waste Management Committee:
MOTION APPROVED - Unanimous.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Chair): Vicky Fingerroot, who replaced Joe Moore as the St. James, representative on the Board, was introduced.

REPORTS

Budget: Tilly provided a budget update and noted revenues and expenses for FY 2021/22 were in line with projections and indicated single stream processing of waste continues to be delayed because of the temporary unavailability of a backordered electrical switch and the need to purchase appropriate metal containers —since the containers provided by Charlevoix County were not the correct size. Motion made by Cole and seconded by D'Andraia to approve the Transfer Station & Recycle Center budget report. MOTION APPROVED - Unanimous.

Tilly then advised committee members he was concerned about preliminary revenue/cost projections for FY 2022/23. Tilly explained that an initiatory review of financial data indicates that Station's expenses are projected to exceed the Station's revenues in 2022/23. Why? His answer was across the board cost increases. For example, Tilly explained the cost of barging waste to the mainland was going up, as are American Waste charges for trucking refuse from the Charlevoix barge dock to the AW disposal facility. He added, with the expected departure of Daryl Butler, personnel replacement costs are expected to rise. He reiterated his December statement to the committee about the cost of plastic (green bags) and equipment repair/replacement fees are on the rise too. He gave as an example the cost of repairing the tree grinder. Tilly noted some of the costs may need to be passed on to Station users. He observed the last round of price increases for green bags and disposal fees went into effect on October 1, 2020. Tilly did share with the committee that the Station's millage renewal goes before the voters in 2022 and a request for an increase is another option to be explored. Tilly then addressed several questions made by committee members regarding what economies could be contemplated to bring down expenses, as well as what new services could be initiated

to develop new revenue sources or enhance existing revenue streams. Martin asked about an approximate departure date for Butler. Tilly indicated Butler's retirement was set for spring and in the interim every effort is being made to identify duties he is responsible for at the Station. Martin asked if any other Station retirements are imminent. Tilly's response, "I'm not aware of any other Station personnel having formally announced their intention to retire at this time." Marsh concurred.

Transfer Station & Recycle Center Manager Report (Marsh) - No Report

OLD BUSINESS: The Chair then led a discussion about the looming budget concerns for FY 2022/23 and the implications for the Committee's top three priorities: space, staffing & equipment. Several committee members asked questions and it quickly became apparent that more data was needed before any recommendations could be acted upon. The Chair proposed, and the committee agreed, the Budget Sub Committee should review the data and make observations and recommendations to the full Committee.

NEW BUSINESS - None

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

ADJOURNMENT: MOTION D'Andraia, second Richards to adjourn the meeting. MOTION APPROVED - Unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 2:47pm.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting of the Committee is set for Tuesday February 15, 2022 @ 1:30 pm at the Peaine Township Hall.

Respectfully Submitted:

Frank D'Andraia, Recording Secretary