

Recycling Solid Waste Disposal Committee Minutes-May 6, 2019

Town of Brooklyn-Green County, WI-Recycling Committee

Committee Members Present: Kevin Santulis, Russ Cichy, Gordy Miller

The meeting of the Town of Brooklyn Recycling Committee was called to order at 1 PM at the Brooklyn Town Hall by Santulis. Santulis posted the agenda for public review on May 4, 2019 prior to the meeting.

- Minutes of the February 9, 2019 meeting were reviewed. Move was made by Cichy to approve, second by Santulis. Motion carried and minutes approved.
- Action Plan items discussed
 - Committee discussed the transition to the new Town clerk and actions that may be required for filing future annual recycling reports and grant applications.
 - The annual grant application from the State of Wisconsin was received in the amount of \$5026.39.
 - Pelliteri has added a “temporary” surcharge for recycling bins due to negative market pressures. Santulis was told by our Pelliteri representative that the surcharge could vary month to month. The first charge was applied for the bill in May was \$79.03. Santulis noted that prior to this surcharge the difference between a trash bin and recycle bin was \$28.62 per bin. The surcharge in May reduced the difference to \$2.28 per bin. Santulis will monitor and question Pelliteri if the surcharge goes higher.
 - The Committee discussed a public complaint to the Fire Marshall and planned electrical upgrades:
 - Santulis and Cichy discussed a walk through of the facility with the Town Chairman.
 - Santulis reported the attendants have already removed combustible material that was stored over the rear entrance and were in the process of decreasing combustible material such as cardboard in the facility where possible.
 - We will no longer have an annual burn at the facility and this will require more frequent pickups of the overflow dumpster.
 - Santulis met with a local licensed electrician who delivered an estimate of \$2,250 for all the electric work. Santulis will request authorization from the Board to do the electric work at a not to exceed of \$2500.
 - Cichy will arrange for “employee only” signs to restrict access to the facility for public safety.
 - The Committee discussed options for storage of tires outside the facility. Cichy proposed presenting these options and request funds from the Board not to exceed \$4000 for obtaining a temporary storage unit for the tires. Second by Santulis. Motion carried.
 - The Committee reviewed the 2018 budget to actual.

- The Committee discussed the impact of the increased use of the overflow dumpster, the new temporary surcharge from Pelliteri and unbudgeted expenses for fire safety and needed electrical work. Two new dumpsters were budgeted to be added in July but the attendants and the Committee agreed they would not be needed until December at the earliest. We may have to monitor expenses and income going forward and depending on decisions made by the Board, we may have to revisit bag fees and other costs to the public in the near future.
- Operations
 - Cichy requested Santulis to ask the Board for a status update on the old John Deere backhoe.
 - Cichy also requested Santulis ask the Board if there were any anticipated impact on our operations of the planned Bug Tussle tower on the property.
 - Santulis will report to the Town Board on May 13.
- Informational Items-none.
- Santulis moved to adjourn, second by Cichy. Motion carried. Adjourned at 2:00 PM.