

MATERIALS MANAGEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE

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MEMBERS

Dave Pixley, Jim May
B. Bollwahn, J. Gagnon, J. Hurt, J. Williams, J. Michalec, L. Jones, V. Riddle, D. Stimpson, M. Tomaszewski
301 N. Main St, Adrian, MI 49221

MEETING LOCATION

Chambers

Minutes: Wednesday, March 5, 2025

I. Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes: 02/05/2025

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by Dave Pixley

Present: Bollwahn, Pixley, Commissioner Stimpson, Gagnon, Williams, May, Michalec, Riddle, Tomaszewski

Also Present: Solid Waste Program Coordinator Julie Maurer, Environmental Health Director

Kasee Johnson, County Administrator Kim Murphy, Commissioner Jim Van Doren, Administrative Coordinator Carissa Zubke

Motion by Commissioner Stimpson, Second by Riddle to Approve the 2/05/25 Minutes of the MMPC. Votes in Favor: Bollwahn, Pixley, Commissioner Stimpson, Gagnon, Williams, May, Michalec, Riddle, Tomaszewski. Opposed: None. Motion Passed.

II. Reports - Solid Waste

A. Waste Hauling and Recycling Reports

Maurer presented the recycling and waste hauling reports for January 2025. Current waste diversion rate is 10 percent.

B. Program Coordinator's Report

Julie Maurer presented her Solid Waste Program Coordinator's report. Most significantly of note, at the Feb. 27 Day of Compost in Lansing, composters shared that MDARD is showing up and inspecting compost sites and charging \$.35 a ton. Several associations, including composers, landscapers, and recycling professionals are coming together to try to work out a solution. MDARD and EGLE have clashing regulations for composting sites.

III. Existing Business

A. Materials Management Planning Update

Maurer shared that the updated Work Program has been shared with EGLE, so the recycling and organics pilots can launch once the funds are approved. She noted that she has reached out to the locations of the recycling/organics bins and all are ready for them when the time comes. Maurer also has started working on some of the educational handouts that will be included in the program, including a flayer on composting to go in the food licensing renewal packets.

B. Quote from GoZero

In the packet, Maurer shared the quote GoZero submitted for the organics compost pilot this summer. She added that if more locations, such as restaurants, come on board, the costs will go down.

IV. New Business

A. Discussion: Siting process for new facilities

Maurer shared the existing siting regulations in the current Solid Waste Plan to kick off discussion on what should be included in the Materials Management Plan. She noted that many of the siting regulations are currently set at the state level, and the committee needs to decide what they want to regulate locally. The committee requested she bring back examples from other counties.

B. Discussion: Enforcing MMP

Maurer shared the current Solid Waste Ordinance enforcement policy, and noted that the steps were unclear. The MMPC will have to include enforcement mechanisms as part of the new Materials Management Plan, and this info was to kick off the discussion. Pixley requested that the county sheriff attend the May meeting to discuss enforcement. Comm. Stimpson also noted that this topic would require extended conversation with the corporate council.

C. Business for next meeting

No additional business to bring forward to the next meeting other than what was requested in other agenda items.

V. Public Comment

No public comment

VI. Adjournment

Motion by Michalec, Second by Gagnon to adjourn the meeting at 10:42 AM. Motion Passed.