



# Solid Waste Management Board Meeting

Tuesday, April 4, 2023 – 10:00 a.m.

Barron County Government Center – Room 2151  
335 East Monroe Avenue – Barron, Wisconsin 54812

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## MINUTES

**Members Present:** Bob Rogers, Terry Skaar, Dan North, Bob Heil, Jim Gores, Bill Schradle, Craig Fowler, Pete Olson

**Absent:** Bun Hanson

**Others Present:** Louie Okey, Brent Bohn, Jodi Busch, John Muench, Jeff French, Ray Zeman

The Solid Waste Management Board meeting was called to order by Chair Schradle at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 4, 2023.

French provided the public meeting notification confirming compliance with open meeting requirements.

Special Matters and Announcements (Non-Action Items): None

**Motion:** (Olson / Skaar) to approve the agenda as presented. Carried

Public Comment: None

**Motion:** (Olson / Gores) to approve the minutes of February 7, 2023. Carried

2023 Financial Update: Busch reviewed financials for February. Recycling will show a loss until the Recycling Surcharge is transferred in May. Cash is strong at \$754,000. WTE is showing a gain of \$68,000. Operating cash is up from the same time last year. Funds for the Acid Gas Removal System are held in the fund which is generating additional interest.

Replacement of Recycling Baler and Infeed Conveyor: Bohn & Hanson received quotes and are putting information together for a new baler and infeed conveyor. Discussion. Topic postponed until next month so Bohn can get additional information.

### Staff Reports & Updates

- a. Mattress Disposal Rate Increase: Staff is now burning mattresses and it is going well. Rates will be raised to \$25/mattress to cover costs.
- b. Stack Testing for PAH Compounds: Testing was completed March 20-22 and went well. Results should be coming within 4-6 weeks.



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- c. BSTG Turbine Replacement: When the turbine was rebuilt in 2022, a nozzle was missed in the construction. Without the additional nozzle, the turbine is limited in energy production. ROI was discussed. Bohn is working to get a price and time frame to correct the problem.
- d. Acid Gas Removal System: Bohn is waiting for the signed contract to come from Air Clean.
- e. Flow Control: Flow Control Ordinance and Agreement were discussed. Bohn and Muench answered general questions from the board.
- f. Staffed Recycling Sites: Bohn gave an update on manned and unmanned sites to the Board. Staffing challenges were discussed.
- g. Landfilling – City of Rice Lake: Topic covered through Flow Control discussion.

Review Voucher Edit Lists: No questions.

Suggestions for Future Agenda Items: Stack Test Results, BSTG Turbine Replacement, Recycling Baler and Infeed Conveyor, Acid Gas Removal System

Set Date for Next Meeting: May 2, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

Adjournment by Unanimous Consent at 11:17 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Jodi Busch, Finance Director

***Minutes are not official until approved by the Solid Waste Management Board at their next meeting.***