



Solid Waste Management Board Meeting

Tuesday, March 4, 2025 – 10:00 a.m.

Barron County Government Center – Room 2151

335 E Monroe Ave – Barron, WI 54812

MINUTES

Members Present: Bill Schradle, Fran Langman, Steve Johnson, Jim Gores, Louie Okey (alternate for Burnell Hanson), Bob Heil, Kevin Jacobson, Bob Rogers

Others Present: Jeff French, Jodi Busch, Wendy Coleman, John Muench, Brent Bohn

The Solid Waste Management Board was called to order by Chair Schradle at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 4, 2025.

Public meeting notification was provided by French confirming compliance with open meeting requirements.

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

Motion: (Okey / Heil) to approve the agenda as presented. Carried

Public Comment: None

Motion: (Gores / Rogers) to approve the minutes of February 4, 2025. Carried

Escrow Agreement with Sterling Bank - Owner Financial Responsibility (OFR) Requirement for WI DNR: French requested approval of the escrow agreement with Sterling Bank. The DNR will work directly with Sterling Bank for the required documents for the owner financial responsibility paperwork. Discussion. **Motion:** (Rogers / Gores) to approve the escrow agreement and authorize the County Board Chair and County Clerk to sign agreement. Carried

Staff Reports & Updates

- City of Barron Request to Allow Curbside Recycling: Bohn provided an update on request from the City of Barron and it is unlikely that they will move forward with curbside. Discussion.
- Acid Gas Removal System Project Update: Bohn provided an update on the acid gas removal system project. Working on sourcing fly ash augers for the ash house to install this spring / summer. May need to raise the height of the silo but no other concerns with the project at this time.
- Chetek Recycling Shed: Bohn has decided to keep the shed and use it at the Waste to Energy facility for storage of DEF fluids.
- Wisconsin Integrated Resource Management Conference Update: Bohn recently attended the conference and feels like it was very beneficial to attend.

Review Voucher Edit Lists: No questions or concerns.

Suggestions for Future Agenda Items: Acid Gas Removal System Update

Set Date for Next Meeting: April 1, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

Acid Gas Removal System – Update & Discussion Regarding Project Completion and Payment of Associated Costs

Motion: (Rogers / Langman) to go into closed session pursuant to 19.85(1)(e) for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, investing public funds, other specific business, or whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session and 19.85(1)(g) for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel with respect to current or potential litigation with French, Muench, Bohn and Busch to be included in the closed session.

Carried with roll call: Rogers, Schradle, Langman, Johnson, Gores, Okey, Heil and Jacobson voting in favor.

Motion: (Langman / Rogers) to return to open session. Carried

Motion: (Rogers / Gores) for approval of payment to close out project expenses related to Alltech Engineering (\$321,591.63); B&B Electric (\$80,000.00); Red Cedar Steel (\$186,955.750 and Dawes Rigging & Crane Rental (\$9,592.52). Carried

The Solid Waste Management Board adjourned by unanimous consent at 11:02 a.m.

Open Session Minutes by:

Wendy Coleman, Executive Assistant

Closed Session Minutes by:

Jodi Busch, Finance Director

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