



ST. CLAIR COUNTY

MATERIALS MANAGEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 2024 | 10:00AM

CONFERENCE ROOM A | 2ND FLOOR | ST. CLAIR COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
200 GRAND RIVER, PORT HURON, MI 48060

1. Call to order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by Wallace

Present: Thompson, Habalewsky, Williams, Usakowski, Ball

Excused: None

Absent: Simasko, Griffin, Karll

Guests: Fielitz, Opperthausen, Pasienza, HDR (Consultants via Zoom)

Staff: Wallace, Donaldson, Klomprens

2. Bylaws- Draft

Discussion on the draft bylaws as presented, MPC Staff will make edits as discussed by the committee and will have them ready for the February meeting.

Some comments included; duties and responsibilities of Vice Chairperson, language about having a recording secretary that could be a non-voting participant, and Ethics and Conflict of Interest language.

3. Election of Officers (Action)

A. Chairperson- Fred Thompson

Motion by Thompson supported by Williams. **Motion carried unanimously.**

B. Vice- Chair- Matt Williams

Motion by Williams supported by Thompson. **Motion carried unanimously.**

4. Citizens Wishing to Address the Commission

Fielitz: Does the county have an estimate of the amount of recyclable materials going into the landfill?

Williams: There is not a good way to gauge.

Fielitz: How do we know if we are approaching the recycling goals?

5. Communication/Discussion

Discussion on how much recycling does our county landfill currently collect, is it an asset vs a liability, potential partnerships within the county, adjustment to tipping fees moving forward, waste generation, and waste audits.

Thompson brought up the County's long-standing policy of self-sufficiency (no import/export) and how it would be addressed in the MMP as this will greatly impact both disposal and recycling.

6. New Business

A. Materials Management Planning Overview

Geoff Donaldson gave a presentation of the new Materials Management Planning Process, which included the regulations, overview, impact, and timelines and expectations.

B. Work Plan (**Action**)

HDR, the consultants hired by St. Clair County to develop the Materials Management Plan presented the Work Plan to the Planning Committee, it is required to have the Work Plan approved by the Planning Committee.

Motion by Usakowski supported by Ball. **Motion carried unanimously.**

7. Next Meeting Date

Lindsay Wallace will send out a Doodle Poll early next week to determine a date and time for the next meeting.

8. Adjournment

Motion by Usakowski supported by Williams, to adjourn at 11:54am.

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Prepared by Lindsay Wallace