

Antrim County Solid Waste and Recycling Council

**Minutes
July 22, 2019**

Members Present: Terry Vanalstine, Heather Butler, David Kotwick, Melissa Zelenak, Bob Ricks, Kathleen Peterson

Members Absent: Joel Fredette

Others present: Mark Bevelhymmer, Travis Youatt, Wendy Warren

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 by Melissa Zelenak

2. Public Comment

None.

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Kotwick, seconded by Butler, to approve the minutes from the March 11, 2019 meeting as presented.

Motion carried - unanimous

4. American Waste Presentation – Mark Bevelhymmer

Mark Bevelhymmer, American Waste, provided an update on the American Waste transfer station facilities in Elmira, Michigan. Mr. Bevelhymmer indicated the site should be open this year. He went into detail about American Waste, types of materials that can be recycled, and how their intake is recycled. He said most of the recycled products stay in the Midwest, specifically Michigan.

5. Antrim Conservation District (ACD) Update

Recycling Brochure

Wendy Warren, Conservation District Manager, presented the council with the new ACD recycling brochure. She asked for suggestions on how to distribute the brochures and mentioned a few ideas. Members suggested dropping the brochures off at village offices and posting it to the ACD website.

Recycling Drop-off Sites

Ms. Warren gave an update on the sites. The next Hazardous Waste is being held in Bellaire, MI on August 3rd.

Recycling Electronic Grant Information & Status

Ms. Warren informed the committee about the grant that she will be writing. She clarified the grant is actually only for \$10,000.00 in total, not \$10,000.00 per year.

Recycling Facilities Upgrade Grant Ideas

The board discussed adding more recycling drop-off sites.

Compost

The group asked Mr. Bevelhymmer about possible compost sites in Antrim County. The discussed exploring the possibility of encouraging community compost sites.

Household Hazardous Waste Update

The next event will be held at the high school in Bellaire, MI on August 3rd.

6. 2019 Quarters 1 & 2 Recycling Totals (Information Only)

The Administration Office provided quarterly recycling totals as part of the agenda packet.

7. Various Matters

None.

8. Public / Member Comment

None.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 28th at 2:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 3:07 p.m.

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