

Town of Onalaska
Refuse and Recycling Committee Meeting
Tuesday, April 25, 2017

The Refuse/Recycling committee meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at the Town of Onalaska Town Hall, N5589 Commerce Road, Onalaska, WI. Members present were James Burch, Frank Fogel, Stan Hauser, Harry Helfrich, Sara Kessler, Josh Storandt, Steve Wage. Jerry Bonsak was excused.

Motion to approve the agenda by Hauser; seconded by Burch. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve the minutes of the March 28, 2017 meeting. Motion by Hauser and seconded by Storandt to approve the March 28, 2017 meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Feedback from the board. Fogel reported that the board made the recommended changes to the hours of the grass and leaf drop off site. Saturday hours were adjusted to 8-4 from the recommended 8-5 to avoid paying a staff person overtime.

Discussion on sale of recycle dumpsters. The town owns large recycle dumpsters that have no use going forward. Motion by Hauser and seconded by Burch to recommend to the Board that they offer them for sale or recycle them. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on existing recycle totes. Existing town recycle totes will not be used once service is converted to the cart system. Motion by Kessler, seconded by Burch to recommend that residents be allowed to keep them or drop them off at the town shop during lawn & leaf drop off site hours. Any totes dropped off at the Town Shop can be made available to residents at no cost during those same hours. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on review and updates to refuse and recycling ordinances. Motion by Kessler, seconded by Burch to open the floor. Motion passed unanimously. Gerry Monti, chair of the ordinance committee, recommended the Refuse & Recycling committee review neighboring communities' ordinances that have already converted to the cart system. He further suggested that the revised ordinances move from the Refuse & Recycling committee to the Town Board and then the Town Board would forward them to the Ordinance committee for final adoption process. Motion by Hauser, seconded by Storandt to close the floor. Motion passed unanimously. Motion by Hauser, seconded by Burch to request permission from the Board to review solid waste ordinances and then the Town Board refer directly to the ordinance committee. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to adjourn by Helfrich; seconded by Fogel. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Sara Kessler.