

Town of Onalaska
Refuse and Recycling Committee Meeting
November 5, 2015

The Refuse/Recycling Committee meeting was called to order by Chairman Frank Fogel at 7:00 pm at the Town of Onalaska Town Hall, N5589 Commerce Road, Onalaska, WI. Members present were Frank Fogel, Jerry Bonsack, Stan Hauser, Steve Wage and Mary Rinehart. Harry Helfrich and Joel Miller were absent.

Motion to approve the agenda made by Hauser, seconded by Rinehart. 4 ayes, 1 no (Bonsack) Motion carried.

Motion to approve June 10, 2015 meeting minutes made by Hauser seconded by Rinehart. Motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence: None

Public Comment: Resident Al Steck, N6745 CTH M, Holmen, spoke against the closure of the recycling center.

Discussion and possible action on gates and signs for the Town's Shop back yard drop off area. Motion by Rinehart seconded by Wage to recommend to board to follow through with signage previously recommended to board. Motion passed unanimously. No action taken on gates.

Discussion and possible action on referendum questions in regards to transition to curbside refuse and recycling carts. Motion to open floor by Hauser seconded by Bonsack. Motion passed unanimously. Al Steck of N6745 CTH M, Holmen and Gary Harter of 2850 Larson St, addressed the committee. Motion to close floor by Bonsack second by Hauser. Motion passed unanimously. Motion by Hauser seconded by Bonsack to recommend to board referendum question of: Will you approve \$180 per year for the cart system of Refuse and Recycling pick-up be billed as special assessment on the tax roll in place of current bag system? Motion passed unanimously. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and possible action on referendum questions in regards to increasing the cost of town garbage bags. Motion by Rinehart second by Hauser to recommend to board referendum question of: Will you approve increasing the bag cost to \$2.00 per bag until transition to cart system? Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and possible action on public informational meetings to be held prior to referendum voting. Motion by Wage seconded by Hauser to recommend to board 3 public informational meetings be held prior to referendum, post informational flyers at posting sights and points of bag sales, and have handouts available at town hall and bag sale sights where appropriate to business. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and possible action on dealing with shortfall of current recycle bins prior to changing to carts. No action.

Motion by Rinehart second by Wage to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Mary Rinehart, Deputy Clerk.