

Town of Onalaska
Refuse and Recycling Committee Meeting
Tuesday, June 27, 2017

The Refuse/Recycling committee meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 27, 2017 at the Town of Onalaska Town Hall, N5589 Commerce Road, Onalaska, WI. Members present were James Burch, Frank Fogel, Stan Hauser, Sara Kessler, Josh Storandt. Harry Helfrich and Steve Wage were absent.

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

Approve the minutes of the April 25, 2017 meeting. Motion by Hauser and seconded by Storandt to approve the April 25, 2017 meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Feedback from the board. Fogel reported that he would like a broader definition of this agenda item in this and future meetings to specifically include short-term and long-range planning for the town's drop-off site. Hauser reported that the board has approved a recommendation to sell the old green recycle bins via the state surplus website.

Discussion on purchase of a sun canopy for the yard waste drop off staff. Motion by Burch, seconded by Kessler to recommend approving the purchase of a sun canopy for the yard waste drop off staff. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on staffing of yard waste drop off site. Fogel would like the committee to begin thinking about long-term planning for the drop off site. Staffing the site with volunteers may not be sustainable. Various options were discussed. Motion to open the floor by Kessler, seconded by Hauser. Motion passed unanimously. Gerry Monti, board member, provided other feedback for future planning. Motion by Burch, seconded by Storandt to close the floor. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Hauser, seconded by Burch to recommend to the Board that the Town Crew staffing issues for drop off site be addressed by either hiring temporary or full time employees as soon as possible to catch up on delayed projects. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on review and updates to refuse and recycling ordinances. Committee reviewed another community's ordinances. Fogel will ask Clerk Rinehart to send the document to committee members to compare to our current ordinances. Each member will compare the documents and be prepared to have a draft of suggestions at the July meeting.

Motion to adjourn by Storandt; seconded by Burch. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Sara Kessler.