

TOWN OF FIFIELD

Transfer Site Ad Hoc Advisory Committee

Minutes of December 5, 2019

**ROLL CALL:** The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm at the Fifield Town Hall. Present: J. Nelson, T. Lanham, T. Birchell, T. Fleming, J. Jontry and 7 others.

**MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 20, 2019:** A MOTION (Birchell, Lanham) was made to accept the Minutes of the November 20, 2019 Ad-Hoc Committee Meeting. Motion carried, voice vote (3, 0).

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** J. Nelson reviewed items from the previous meeting, including review of current fees, identification card distribution, residential vs. business and collector review.

**REVIEW FEES FOR ITEMS:** The Committee received updated fees from JB Disposal and Liberty Tire. Rock Oil fees fluctuate.

**COLLECTOR REPORT INFORMATION:** JB Disposal could accommodate containers for our compactors, which may save the town money over Waste Management. J. Jontry will check into the term of the current contract and the window for possibly soliciting bids. T. Fleming stated Waste Management is punctual and JB Disposal may not always be able to respond quickly.

**PENALTY REVIEW AND COMPLAINT REPORTING FOR SITE ATTENDANTS:** Both sites have signage stating there is a \$500 fine for illegal dumping, as cited in the Ordinance. Rocky has a complaint form; J. Jontry will send the form to Dan as well. Discussion regarding whether the penalty verbiage is "up to \$500" or just "500"; the Ordinance states a penalty of \$500, not "up to" \$500. The Committee agreed the fine is \$500 and will be drafting a new Ordinance for review and presentation to the Board.

**Public Comment:** A question was raised about notifying residents about what is and is not accepted and the corresponding fees. J. Jontry will post the fee information at the town hall, post office and fire station. A question regarding whether the signs at the sites will be changed; the committee stated not at this time. J. Ocker inquired about whether his farm is allowed to bring items to the transfer site; B. Felch stated he had spoken with the Wisconsin Towns Association about classification of a farm as a business. T. Birchell asked how the farm reports taxes and if they are writing off expenses; Mr. Ocker replied that they are. T. Birchell then stated they are therefore a business and businesses are not permitted to use the transfer sites for trash disposal, and we can not make an exception for one business and not others. J. Jontry discussed the plastic sheeting dropped off by the farm for recycling, which contained barbed wire, which is not permitted. J. Hintz stated he has his own logging business, and keeps his refuse separate from household trash.

**Adjourn:** A MOTION (Birchell, Lanham) was made at 6:40 p.m. to adjourn. Motion carried, voice vote (3, 0).

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Jontry, Town Clerk