



SOUTHEAST MINNESOTA RECYCLERS' EXCHANGE
*Cooperative marketing * market development * materials exchange*
507-328-7022

SEMREX Technical Committee Meeting
Friday, March 23, 2018
10:00 a.m.
Mower County Highway Department
(across the parking lot from the Recycling Center 1111 8th Avenue NE)
Austin, MN

Please park in the lot on the East side of the Recycling Center

AGENDA

-  10:00 Call Meeting to Order & Approve Minutes
-  10:05 Director's Update – Sharon Schriever
-  10:20 Recycling Education Committee (REC) Update
-  10:30 RAM Carton Outreach Proposal
-  10:40 Update on Product Stewardship
-  11:00 MPCA Updates
-  11:10 Member Updates – All
-  9:55 Adjourn

If you cannot attend, please contact Sharon

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- Present: Rita Cole-Dodge Co., Jean Lundquist-Blue Earth Co., Scott Martin-Olmsted Co., Jeff Weaver-Mower Co., Mark Goskeson-Freeborn Co., Julie Runkel-Rice Co., Sharon Schriever-Olmsted Co., Jeff Schneider-City of Redwing and Katie Barden-Steele Co., Anna Kerr-MPCA,
- 9:05a.m. Meeting called to order. Jeff-Mower County motioned to approve November 16th minutes, 2nd by Rita. Motion passed.
- Director's Sharon reported on current market prices. Metals starting off to a good start. January tin up \$15 per ton and UBC up 4 Cents per lb.
- Update Plastics becoming harder to move. Glass remains steady. Envirolastech, only taking clear glass when in need.
- JPB Planning Resolution updates.
Mower County-Not yet signed. Reviewing a max of \$10,000
Waseca County- Is no longer interested with the recent closing of Quad Graphics.
Rice County- Will not be signing at this time. Unsure with the location hub.
Olmsted County-Signed
Dodge County-Signed
Blue Earth County-Not signed. questioned equal portions/payments.
Freeborn County-Signed.
Steele County-Not signed. Going to the board Tuesday January 23, 2018 for approval.
City of Redwing-Not signed. Going to the council Monday January 22, 2018 for approval.
- 9:20a.m. Jean Lundquist-Arrived.
- 9:25a.m. Jeff Schneider-Arrived.
- MPCA N/A at the time.
Update
- Member Updates:
Jeff Schneider- City of Redwing: Recent building fire, moving forward with phase one. Construction projected to start in June and finishing November-December. SIG brining waste down 20-40 tons per day. Recycling is being shipped all but clean cardboard.

Rita Cole-Dodge- County: Self-serve portion of the building is built, not up and running yet. Grant money helped pay for 75% of the new site. Currently has composting for yard waste, working on organics for this coming May.

Jean Lundquist- Blue Earth County: Received tons of contaminated flour.

Jeff Weaver – Mower: Cardboard volumes up. New drop off location is going great! Added onto the existing building and added a drop off site. Glass is moving. Hauler \$140 charges \$30 a ton for transportation for a 100-mile round trip!

10a.m. Anna Kerr-Arrived.

Julie Runkel-Rice County: Switched to Dicks Sanitation, seems to be going well! New construction bids going out soon. Current building is maxed out! Design includes a drop floor. Front loader will be able to push load into the truck down below. Start negotiations with haulers to do weekly pick-ups.

Mark Goskeson-Freeborn County: December's prices went up. Out of all months last year, November was the only month prices fell negative for rebates.

Katie Barden-Steele County: Scott Golberg, former Director of Environmental Services accepted the Steele County Administrator's position. Scott's job duties being dispersed among other county departments.

Scott Martin-Olmsted County: Business had a good year, revenue was around \$1.6 million. Joe the recycling center manager will be retiring this year, sad to see him leave. Great work ethic! County is serving about 70 thousand paying customers a year. Sharon Schriever added that there is a new Olmsted Waste-to-Energy Facility video on-line.

Meeting
Adjourned
10:30a.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Katie Barden-Steele Co.