

Recycling Board Minutes

Meeting Date: Monday, March 6, 2017 8:30am Council Chambers City Hall

Attendance: Diane Dimich, Katelynn Essig, Gordie Blevins, Phil Yerby and Ed Lambrecht

Phil Yerby was introduced as a new member of the recycling board.

There was a motion by Gordie to accept the minutes of 2/6/2017 as written. It was seconded and approved.

There was discussion on the recycling survey. A handout of ½ sheets of the questions was distributed and discussed. No changes were recommended. The survey can be put out online using Google Survey for no fee. It will be placed online to take with announcements to be done with social media links. No changes to the survey were recommended.

The dates for the survey will be March 21st through the 31st. In addition to online there will be paper surveys completed in the following manner/distribution.

- Online survey with Google Survey
- Red Lodge Senior Center
- Sent home in Red Lodge School Folders
- Assistance from the High School Green Team
- Articles in the newspapers. (there has been one article done covering history of the Recycling Center and what items are recycled)
- Distribution of the survey at Red Lodge Recycling Center

Mr. Blevins suggested that the newspaper articles should state the benefits of recycling. It helps to promote a cleaner community and is good for the environment.

Katelynn discussed the upcoming events that are planned for Earth Day, April 22, 2017.

- Parks cleanup from 9:00 am to 11:00 am\
- There will be a celebration after cleanup by the Tesla recharging stations next to the City Restrooms and the Arts Guild. There will be food for the volunteers. We are hoping to have the climbing wall available for use.

Katelynn is going to get a newspaper article to the Carbon County News with more information. Julia Jones, Republic Waste Rep, was at the meeting and said that they will provide a large yard receptacle to put the cleaned up items in.

There was further discussion on composting. Mr. Blevins said that he will check with ProCut and Baldwin's to see what they are doing with their lawn clippings and branches. He will report back at the next meeting.

There was discussion on glass recycling. It was stated that no one in the area was recycling glass.

There was discussion about electronics recycling and we will look into this further on the options of this now that Rewind is no longer recycling for the city. It was stated that AY Supply will recycle appliances for a fee.

There was discussion on fund raising for recycling. Could the green team be part of this or can we have the city involved with fund raising.

Cynthia Rasmusen asked if the people at the Recycling Center got paid?

Diane Dimich answered that the solid waste budget has \$30,000 in a line item for Beartooth Industries for recycling. Ed Lambrecht stated that the money was for all of the contracts for Beartooth Industries.

Diane corrected him and said that all the various contracts that Beartooth Industries have are each a separate line item in the budget. Ed asked Maryvette Laurie and she confirmed that it is true.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Lambrecht
Secretary