



THE SOUTHEAST MINNESOTA RECYCLERS' EXCHANGE

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SEMREX JOINT POWERS BOARD (JPB)

SPECIAL MEETING

Friday, January 8, 2015

10:00 a.m.

Location:

Mower County Courthouse/Government Center – Main Floor - Eastview Room

201 First Avenue NE, Austin, MN

AGENDA

- 10:00 Call Meeting to Order – Roll Call & Introductions
- 10:02 Approve June 5, 2015 Minutes
- 10:04 Approve Professional Services Agreement Retroactive to January 1, 2016
- 10:07 Approve Fiscal Agent Agreement Retroactive to January 1, 2016
- 10:10 Approve 2016 Budget Retroactive to January 1, 2016
- 10:15 Adjourn

If you cannot attend or cannot get an alternate, please notify Sharon Schriever at (507) 328-7022 or by e-mail at schriever.sharon@co.olmsted.mn.us.

Minutes of SEMREX Joint Powers Board Meeting held at Dodge County Courthouse on December 5, 2014

Board Members Present: Ken Brown, Olmsted County; Tim Tjosaas, Dodge County; Polly Glynn, Mower County; Mike Lee, Freeborn County; Jake Gillen, Rice County; Mark Piepho, Blue Earth County; and Doug Johnson, Steele County.

Tech Committee Members Present: Jean Lundquist, Blue Earth County; Jeff Schneider, City of Red Wing; Mark Goskeson, Freeborn/Steele Counties; Jeff Weaver, Mower County; Paul Piper, Rice County; Scott Martin, Olmsted County; and Mark Gamm, Dodge County.

Others Present: Sharon Schriever, SEMREX Executive Director and Arlene Vee, MPCA.

Meeting called to order at 9:30 AM by Chairperson, Doug Johnson. A quorum was present.

Minutes from June 6, 2014 JPB meeting: Commissioner Tjosaas motioned to approve minutes as written, second by Commissioner Gillen; motion passed unanimously.

Directors Report: Schriever presented Report dated December 2014. Sharon summarized key observations including a 1000-ton increase in tonnage from 2013 and difficulty in predicting future market value of commodities. Commissioner Johnson stated that the Report shows that SEMREX has a good success story to tell; especially considering the steady increase marketed tons over the last 12 years.

Budget: Schriever presented 2014 Budget report as of 11/17/2014. Sharon summarized key observations including cash reserves of approximately \$130,000; Commissioner Johnson mentioned that this amount would cover about 2 years of SEMREX administrative expenses. Motion by Gillen to approve the Directors Report and the 2015 Budget, second by Piepho; motion passed unanimously.

Fiscal Management Agreement: Schriever presented proposed 2015 Fiscal Management Agreement; stating that agreement calls for \$2,750 payment to Olmsted County for fiscal services. Motion by Commissioner Brown to approve the 2015 Fiscal Management Agreement, second by Commissioner Lee; motion passed unanimously.

Legislative Update: Arlene Vee presented "MPCA Updates for Counties – November 2014" and provided a "Guide to MN Statutes Related to Solid Waste and Recycling". Board discussion included questions about the potential for a landfill ban on aseptic packaging. Arlene said she would research question and report back to SEMREX.

Collaborative Health and Safety Training Update: Maggie Mattacola of RAM presented PowerPoint entitled "SEMREX Training – How RAM can help with your training needs". Discussion focused on training needs, location, and timing. Maggie said she typically brings together 2 to 3 people to help plan training. Costs for RAM training events typical cost from \$30 to \$100 per participant.

Member Updates: written summaries were provided and members discussed relevant information.

Election of Chairperson: Commissioner Johnson called for nominations; motion by Commissioner Glynn to nominate Commissioner Gillen as SEMREX JPB Chairperson in 2015, second by Commissioner Tjosaas. Chairperson Johnson called for additional nominations, none was offered; ballot was unanimous. Motion by Commissioner Lee to elect Commissioner Jake Gillen as SEMREX JPB Chairperson for 2015, second by Commissioner Piepho; motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Gillen and other SEMRX members thanked Commissioner Johnson for his excellent and steady leadership.

Next Meeting: Board agreed to schedule the next JPB meeting on June 5, 2015. Dodge County agreed to host meeting.

Adjourn: Motion by Commissioner Johnson to adjourn the meeting, second by Commissioner Gillen; motion passed unanimously at 11:45 AM.

Minutes prepared by Mark Gamm