

**Town of La Pointe
Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) Work Group
Tuesday, January 14, 2020
9:00 a.m. at Town Hall
Minutes**

Members present: Michael Childers, Gwen Smith Patterson and Michael Brenna
Members present via speakerphone: Norm Castle
Members absent: Michael Collins, Chuck Irvine and Joe Scarry
Staff present: Lisa Potswald, Town Administrator

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

The MRF Work Group meeting was called to order by M. Childers, Chair on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at 9:04 a.m. A quorum of the committee is present as shown by members listed above.

2. Public Comment

None

3. Minutes of the following MRF Work Group meeting to be considered for approval:

A. January 3, 2020

Motion by M. Brenna, second by G. Smith Patterson to approve the MRF Work Group minutes of January 3, 2020. All in favor, all aye. Motion Carried.

4. General Updates and comments from Work Group members.

A. Financial Analysis

- J. Scarry was unavailable for this meeting due to Jury Duty.
- M. Childers summarized a report by J. Scarry e-mailed to committee members on 1/13/2020.
- M. Brenna volunteered to help work on the organic waste portion with J. Scarry

B. Community Outreach

- G. Smith Patterson created an Introductory paragraph for the MRF Survey and updated questions previously submitted. The committee will look and give feedback.
- G. Smith Patterson will look into costs to mail this survey to the tax payers and registered voters.

C. MRF Input – Landfill Possibilities

- Ted has not been available to work on landfill possibilities.

D. Other updates

- M. Brenna is working on a list of facilities to visit with T. Pallas and C. Baxter
- N. Castle requested information from Chicago Iron regarding automobile disposal and it waiting to hear back from them.

- N. Castle shared his thoughts on:
 - How to ban or discourage use of single use plastic bottles.
 - Make Madeline Island an example of how to manage their own waste instead of passing it on.
 - Educating residents/visitors while on the ferry of our recycling efforts.
 - Unrecyclable packaging
 - How to pass on costs

M. Childers asked N. Castle to send his notes to Clerical Assistant to distribute to the all committee members.

5. Public Comment

None

6. Set Next Meeting Agenda and Date

Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 28, 2020 at 9 a.m.

M. Childers and G. Smith Patterson will not be available for the next meeting.

N. Castle mentioned again the importance of T. Pallas being at these meetings.

7. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 9:23 a.m.

Minutes taken from recorder and respectfully submitted by Dorgene Goetsch, Clerical Assistant.
Minutes approved as presented January 28, 2020. Dorgene Goetsch, Clerical Assistant