

Buffalo County Minutes

Committee/Board: Recycling Committee

Date of Meeting: March 26th, 2026

The meeting was called to order by Max Weiss at 6:00 p.m.

Max Weiss opened the meeting for the Recycling Committee and Rich Bauer took roll call.

Roll Call of Members: Mary Lisowski, Calvin Loewenhagen, Jeannie Czaplewski, Claire Waters, Jamey Davis, Bruce Kees, Perry Pronschinske, Michelle Loken (absent), Bob Traun, Kevin Theismann (absent), Brian Michaels, Dwight Ruff, Max Weiss,

Public Present: None

Public Comment Regarding Posted Agenda Items: None

Review/Discussion/Action – Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting: Bruce Kees made a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting. Dwight Ruff second the motion. Motion carried

Review/Discussion/ Action – Year End Report: Rich Bauer gave a recap of 2025, Revenue was \$144,518 verses Expenses of \$143,771 16.9% below the budget of \$168,012. # of loads 544, 440 hauled with average weight of 813lbs per load. 540 tons of recycling for 2025 for Buffalo County. La Crosse Milling loads 42. These are now being hauled directly to Green Circle in La Crosse. 114 Refrigerated appliances. 5197lbs of electronics. 5.95 tons of tires. Personnel changes with Tim not assisting at the recycling except to cover for vacations.

Review/Discussion – Site Contracts: Rich Bauer reported he is working on getting out the 2026 contracts for signature. Payments will be mailed out in June once they are signed and filed.

Review/Discussion –Clean Sweep for 2027: Rich Bauer is working with La Crosse County Household Hazardous Material Program to do more of a self-collection. If this work could reduce the amount spent on the collection compared to using a contracted company. This would require assistance from some individuals or groups to replace the contracted crew. More details to come at our fall meeting.

Review/Discussion –La Crosse Milling Rate: The rate for La Crosse Milling was raised to \$250 from \$175. The load is now also being hauled directly to La Crosse for processing instead of being brought back to Mondovi.

Chairmans Report: None

Department Manager Report. Rich Bauer discussed improvements to the Mondovi building's back wall. He is suggesting placing cement barriers to push against instead of

the wooded back wall which it is not designed for. Bruce Kees has a contact he will reach out to and for possible products for this purpose.

Public Comment Unrelated to Agenda Items: None

Review/Discussion/Action - Next Meeting Date and Time: The next Recycling meeting was set for Thursday, August 6th @ 6pm.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Max Weiss at 659pm
Respectfully Submitted:

Richard Bauer
Recycling Coordinator