

**EMMET COUNTY  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
Meeting held at 8:30 a.m.  
Emmet County Drop-Off Center  
7363 Pleasantview Rd. Harbor Springs, MI.**

Members Present: D. Keiser, Chairperson; B. Dohm, Vice Chairperson; D. Fuller; Secretary, D. Mapes, B. Gutowski, J. Kargol  
Members Absent: A. Bawkey  
Members of Public: G. Muir  
Staff Members: J. Steffel; A. McMurry; M. Keiser; J. Brubacher

**Call to Order**

D. Keiser called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

**Minutes**

The minutes of the January 2, 2025 DPW meeting were reviewed. B. Dohm motioned to approve the February 6<sup>th</sup> minutes; B. Gutowski, supported. All present voted in Favor.

**Financials**

The January financial report was reviewed by J. Steffel. D. Mapes motioned to approve the January financials; D. Fuller supported. All present voted in favor.

**Operations Update (OLD BUSINESS)**

Personnel: All positions are currently filled.

Part 115: The planning meetings have been put on hold until the state releases the funding to continue the planning process.

**Other Business (NEW BUSINESS)**

Tote Lids: Totes with lids are a big request by customers, but with the cost of the lids and shipping, those costs need to be covered. J. Kargol motioned to charge \$10 for the lids, B. Gutowski supported. All present voted in favor.

Harbor Springs Excavating: The rubble recycling contract is up and Harbor Spring Excavating agreed to extend our contract for one year. B. Gutowski motioned to recommend to the Board of Commissioners to renew the contract for one year; D. Fuller supported. All present voted in favor.

GeoCycle: We are waiting to hear back from them with an answer.

BARC Contract: We have not heard from them, but we are expecting a price increase.

Dynamic LifeCycle Innovations: Recommendation for one year renewal of electronics recycling contract. There are no changes to the contract or the pricing. B. Dohm motioned to recommend to the Board of Commissioners to renew the electronics recycling contract for one year; J. Kargol supported. All present voted in favor.

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Grapple bucket RFP: It's out for bid. 2-3 companies have inquired about the project. Our current bucket is more than 20 years old, coming from a smaller machine. A replacement is necessary.

Compactor Bid: The bid opening was on Thursday February 27th. Two RFP's were released; one for the actual compactor; one for the deconstruction of the current compactor. Two bids were received for the Compactor project: Speed-Tech Equipment came in with the lowest bid and below the projected budget at \$268,540.00. Reaction Distributing (Canada) bid the project at \$277,394.00. Zero bids were received for the decommission RFP. A new decommission RFP/Rebid will be broken into smaller individual jobs and released for re-bid this month. We are scheduling for a late fall installation. Decommission needs to happen first. Taking out the old compactor, the demolition of the concrete, the electrical work is second, and then the reconstruction. There is a 90-day lead time on the build time for the compactor itself. B. Gutowski motioned to recommend to the Board of Commissioners to accept the low bid from Speed-Tech Equipment for \$268,540.00; D. Mapes supported. All present voted in favor.

#### **Public Comments**

n/a

#### **Round Table Discussion:**

West Traverse Township: We are working through their concerns of being curbside resident recycling.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:05 am

**Next Meeting:** Thursday April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 8:30 am, at the Emmet County Drop Off Center, 7363 Pleasantview Rd. Harbor Springs.