

RECYCLING COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS
January 11, 2023

The Amery Recycling Committee met on January 11th, 2023, at the Amery City Center. The meeting was called to order at 4:45pm

Roll Call: City Deputy Clerk-Treasurer, Taylor Larson conducted Roll Call.

Present: Mike Manor; Sharon Paulson, Gloria Lansin, Eric Elkin and Ariel Humpal

Absent: None

Others Present: Deputy Clerk-Treasurer, Taylor Larson

New Business

- 1. Recycling Education Discussion:** There was much discussion in the group about educating the community about recycling. Children are already being targeted at school, but adults also need education about recycling. There was some discussion about how adults could be reached. The library, churches, the City newsletter, and social media were all suggested as ways to contact adults. There was also some discussion about the recycling program at a county level. The county can only take some plastics, so it is important to make sure people know what the county can actually take. Tina Riley works for Polk County and is connected with the recycling facility. Gloria offered to contact Tina to see if it would be possible for the group to tour the facility and see what happens to the recycling when it arrives there. There was a consensus in the committee that part of the problem is people don't know what actually happens to their recycling once it leaves their can. There was also some discussion about why Lincoln doesn't have recycling bins come to their township ever to alleviate some of the use in Amery. Mike said he would talk to Dick Waterman since he is on Lincoln's town board. There was also some discussion about whether Ariel would be able to find some curriculum materials for recycling through the school to go with some of the materials the county already has. Ultimately, each committee member will think of two ideas for the next meeting.
- 2. Single Stream Service Discussion:** Committee of the Whole will be presented with the single stream idea that was discussed at the last Recycling Committee meeting on Wednesday, January 18th. No decision has been made at this time.

Motion by Humpal; seconded by Lansin; to adjourn at 5:42 pm.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Taylor Larson
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer
January 17, 2023