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STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
LANSING



DAN WYANT
DIRECTOR

March 18, 2013

Mr. Skip Dyes, Chair
Cass County Board of Commissioners
120 North Broadway Street, Suite 116
Cassopolis, Michigan 49031

Dear Mr. Dyes:

The locally approved amendment to the Cass County Solid Waste Management Plan (Plan Amendment) received by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) on December 6, 2012, is hereby approved.

The Plan Amendment creates the following changes:

- Adds Michiana Recycling and Disposal as a "Type A Transfer Station/Solid Waste Processing/Material Recycling Facility" to the facility descriptions and solid waste disposal areas inventory.
- Revises the Reliable Disposal Inc. facility type to "Solid Waste Processing/Material Recycling Facility" in the solid waste disposal areas inventory.
- Identifies Michiana Recycling and Disposal as automatically consistent with and included in the plan as a "Type A Transfer/Solid Waste Processing/Material Recovery Facility."

The DEQ would like to thank Cass County for its efforts in addressing its solid waste management issues. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Rhonda S. Oyer, Chief, Sustainable Materials Management Unit, Solid Waste Section, Office of Waste Management and Radiological Protection, at 517-373-4750; oyerr@michigan.gov; or DEQ, P.O. Box 30241, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7741.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth M. Browne, Chief
Office of Waste Management and
Radiological Protection
517-373-9523

cc: Senator John Proos
Representative Matt Lori
Representative David Pagel
Ms. Jackie Taylor, Cass County
Mr. Dan Wyant, Director, DEQ
Mr. Jim Sygo, Deputy Director, DEQ
Ms. Maggie Datema, Legislative Affairs, DEQ
Mr. Fred Sellers, DEQ
Ms. Rhonda S. Oyer, DEQ
Mr. Steve Sliver/Ms. Christina Miller, DEQ\Cass County File

Cass County

2012 Solid Waste Management Plan Amendment

As proposed by the Solid Waste Planning Committee

April 2, 2012

- Section II-6 FACILITY DESCRIPTIONS OF DISPOSAL AREAS
UTILIZED BY CASS COUNTY

- o Add Michiana Recycling and Disposal Company Type A Transfer Station / Solid Waste Processing / Material Recycling Facility to inventory of facility descriptions of disposal areas.
- o Revise the Reliable Disposal Inc. facility "Type" by adding , "Solid Waste Processing/Material Recycling Facility," in the inventory

Please see attached amended page II-9

- Section III-5 SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL AREAS

- o Add Solid Waste Processing Facility
Michiana Recycling and Disposal Company
Reliable Disposal Inc.

Please see attached amended page III - 5

- Section III-6 FACILITY DESCRIPTIONS

- o Add Michiana Recycling and Disposal Company

Please see attached amended page III - 6

- o Revise the Reliable Disposal Inc. facility "Type" by adding , "Solid Waste Processing/Material Recycling Facility," in the inventory

Please see attached amended page III-12

Facility Name: Reliable Disposal Inc.

Facility Type: Solid Waste Transfer Station/ Solid waste processing / Material Recycling Facility

County: Berrien **Location:** **Town:** 5S **Range:** 19W **Section:** 33

Owner: Reliable Disposal, Inc. (private)

Final Disposal Area: Forest Lawn, SE Berrien County, Orchard Hills

Operating Status: Open, licensed

Waste Types Received: Residential, Commercial, Industrial, Construction & Demolition,
Contaminated Soils

Site Size:

Total area of facility property: 5 acres

Total area of sited for use: 5 acres

Total area permitted: N/A

Current capacity: N/A

Estimated Lifetime: N/A

Estimated days open per year: N/A

Estimated yearly disposal volume: N/A

Annual energy production:

Landfill gas recovery projects: N/A

Waste-to-energy incinerators: N/A

Facility Name: Michiana Recycling and Disposal Services

Facility Type: Solid Waste Transfer Station / Solid waste processing / Material Recycling Facility

County: Cass **Location:** **Town:** 7S **Range:** 16W **Section:** 31

Owner: Michiana Recycling and Disposal Company

Final Disposal Area: South East Berrien County, Westside Recycling and Disposal Facility

Operating Status: Open, licensed

Waste Types Received: Residential, Commercial, Industrial MSW, Construction & Demolition, Yard
Waste, Concrete, Wood

Site Size:

Total area of facility property: 10 acres

Total area of sited for use: 10 acres

Total area permitted: N/A

Estimated Lifetime: N/A

Estimated days open per year: 300 plus Days

Estimated yearly disposal volume: N/A

Annual energy production:

Landfill gas recovery projects: N/A

Waste-to-energy incinerators: N/A

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL AREAS

The following identifies the names of existing disposal areas which will be utilized to provide the required capacity and management needs for the solid waste generated within the County for the next five years and, if possible, the next ten years. Pages III-6 through III-12 contain descriptions of the solid waste disposal facilities which are located within the County and the disposal facilities located outside of the County which will be utilized by Cass County for the planning period. Additional facilities within the County with applicable permits and licenses may be utilized as they are sited by this Plan, or amended into this Plan, and become available for disposal. If this Plan update is amended to identify additional facilities in other counties outside the County, those facilities may only be used if such import is authorized in the receiving County's Plan. Facilities outside of Michigan may also be used if legally available for such use.

Type II Landfill:

Arbor Hills Landfill
Autumn Hills RDF
C&C Landfill
City Environmental Services Landfill Inc.
Forest Lawn Landfill
Northern Oaks RDF
Orchard Hills Landfill
Ottawa County Farms Landfill
Pitsch Landfill
Sauk Trial Hills
Southeast Berrien County Landfill
Westside Recycling and Disposal Facility
Vienna Junction Landfill
Woodland Meadows RDF

Type A Transfer Facility:

Cork Street Transfer Station
Waste Mgt. of MI – Western Transfer Station
Michiana Recycling and Disposal
Reliable Disposal, Inc.

Solid Waste Processing Facility

**Michiana Recycling and Disposal Services
Reliable Disposal, Inc.

Type III Landfill:

Westside Recycling and Disposal Facility

Type B Transfer Facility:

Landfills Located in Indiana:

Earth Movers Landfill
Elkhart County Landfill
Deercroft RDF
National Serv-All

**Michiana Recycling and Disposal Services is deemed automatically consistent with and included in the plan as a Type A Transfer / Solid Waste Processing / Material Recovery facility.

Letters from or agreements with the listed disposal areas owners/operators stating their facility capacity and willingness to accept the County's solid waste are in the Attachments Section.

FACILITY DESCRIPTIONS

Cass County intends to continue to use the facilities listed in Section II for disposal. See Section II (pages II-6 through II-9) for facility descriptions of the following disposal areas:

Deercroft Recycling and Disposal Facility

Earth Movers Landfill

Elkhart County Landfill

Forest Lawn Landfill

Michiana Recycling and Disposal Services

Reliable Disposal Inc.

Southeast Berrien County Landfill

Westside Recycling and Disposal Facility

Facility Name: Arbor Hills Landfill

Facility Type: Type II Solid Waste Landfill

County: Washtenaw, Salem Township

Owner: BFI Waste Systems of North America, Inc. (private)

Operating Status: Open

Waste Types Received: residential, commercial, industrial, construction & demolition, contaminated soils, special wastes (non-hazardous solid & semi-solid wastes, no hazardous or liquid wastes)

Site Size:

Total Area of facility property: 936 acres

Total area sited for use: 356 acres

Total area permitted: 217 acres

Operating: 113 acres

Not excavated: 104 acres

Current Capacity: 30,500,00 yds³ airspace or 61.5 million yd³ capacity

Estimated lifetime: 176 years

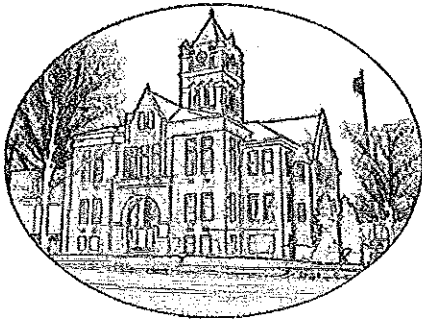
Estimated days open per year: 265

Estimated yearly disposal volume: 3,500,000 yd³

Annual energy production:

Landfill gas recovery projects: 18 megawatts

Waste-to-energy incinerators: N/A



Cass County County Administrator

To: Solid Waste Management Unit
Solid Waste Program Division
Waste Management Division
Department of Environmental Quality
P.O. Box 30241
Lansing, MI 48909

From: Jackie Taylor, Administrative Specialist
Commissioner Carl Higley, Chair, Solid Waste Planning Committee

Enclosed are the documents needed for approval of the amendment to our Solid Waste Plan. If you have any questions or if there is something that we failed to include please call Jackie at 269-445-4421 or e-mail jackiet@cassco.org. You can contact commissioner Higley at 269-663-2265.

Please notify us as soon as a decision is made. Thank you.

AFFP

Public Hearing NoticeThe Cass

Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF MICHIGAN }
COUNTY OF CASS } SS

Public Hearing Notice

Donna Knight, being duly sworn, says:

That she is Classified Manager of the Dowagiac Daily News, a daily newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in , Cass County, Michigan; that the publication, a copy of which is attached hereto, was published in the said newspaper on the following dates:

May 22, 2012

The Cass County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing on the Amendment to the Cass County Solid Waste Plan on June 21, 2012 at 7:15 p.m. in the Commission Chambers, Cass County Building, 120 N. Broadway, Cassopolis, Michigan.

The public is invited to present oral and written comments at that time.

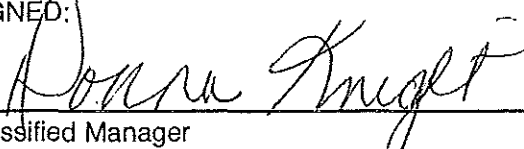
The Amendment is available for anyone interested in viewing it in the Cass County Administrators Office, 120 N. Broadway, Suite 116 Cassopolis, Michigan.

Minnie Warren, Chairperson

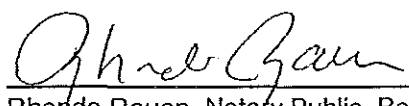
Posted 05/17/12

That said newspaper was regularly issued and circulated on those dates.

SIGNED:


Classified Manager

Subscribed to and sworn to me this 22nd day of May 2012.


Rhonda Rauen, Notary Public, Berrien County, MI

My commission expires: September 20, 2014

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Tara Myer
Cass County Board of Commissioners
120 N. Broadway Suite 217
Cassopolis, MI 49031

Timeline for Solid Waste Amendment

- 2-27-12 Meeting held by the Cass County Solid Waste Committee – Solid Waste Plan Amendment presented by Henry Valkema (Michiana Recycling)
- 3-20-12 Notification letter sent to all municipalities in regards to upcoming mailing of amendment
- 3-23-12 Mailing of amendment to all municipalities
- 4-2-12 Meeting of Solid Waste Planning Commission
- 4-3-12 Amendment mailed out again for 90 day consideration
- 5-22-12 Notice of Public Hearing published in newspaper
- 6-21-12 Public Hearing on proposed amendment
- 7-10-12 Meeting held by Solid Waste Committee
- 7-19-12 Board of Commissioners approved amendment being sent to State

SOLID WASTE PLANNING COMMITTEE

2-Year Terms Meet as necessary

Tommy Harman	6/1/14 (a)
Henry Valkema	6/1/13 (a)
Eric Shaffer	6/1/14 (a)
Katie Harman	6/1/13 (a)
Roger Bowser	6/1/13(b)
Bill Westrate	6/1/13 (c)
Mike Laufer	6/1/14 (c)
Carl Higley	6/1/13 (d)
Irving Frost, Jr.	6/1/14 (e)
Larry Shaw	6/1/14 (f)
Jim Snow	6/1/13 (g)
Richard J. Accoe	6/1/14 (h)
<i>Vacant</i>	6/1/12 (h)
<i>Vacant</i>	6/1/12 (h)

members

Appointed by BOC as follows:

- (a) Four solid waste industry representatives
- (b) One industrial waste generator representative
- (c) Two representatives from environmental interest groups
- (d) One representative from County government
- (e) One representative from Township government
- (f) One representative from City government
- (g) One representative from the regional planning agency
- (h) ~~Three representative from the general public~~

SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY

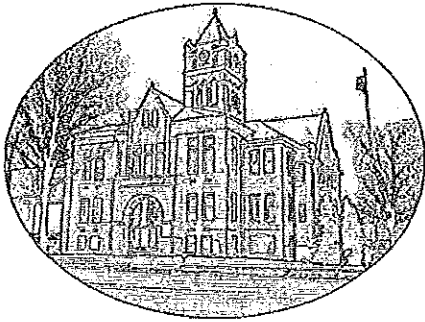
1-Year Term 3rd Wednesday, 6:30 P.M.

Clark Cobb	12/31/12
Minnie Warren	12/31/12

SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN PLANNING COMMISSION

3-Year Term for citizen member 4th Tuesday, Jan., Apr., Jul., and Oct., 9:30 A.M.

Robert Ziliak (chair appoint)	12/31/12 Commissioner (two-year term)
Johnie Rodebush (chair appoint)	12/31/12 Commissioner (two-year term)
Robert Powers	12/31/12 Citizen (three-year term)
Barb Cook	12/31/12 Planning Commission Member (three-year term)
Joe Silvia	12/31/12 Citizen (three-year term)
Jim Sayer	12/31/13 Citizen (three-year term)



Cass County
Board of Commissioners

**There will be a meeting of the
Cass County Solid Waste
Planning Commission on
Monday, February 27, 2012 at
4:00 p.m. in the Kincheloe
Room of the Cass County
Building, 120 N. Broadway,
Cassopolis, Michigan.**

Solid Waste Planning Committee
Minutes of February 27, 2012

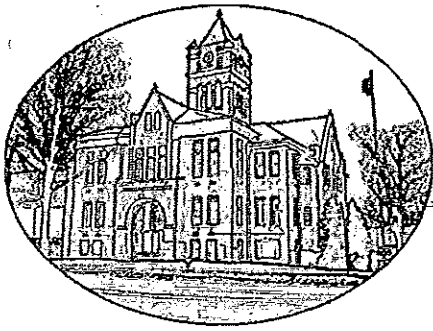
Members present: Carl Higley, Roger, Bowser, Henry Valkema, Bill Westrate, Irving Frost, Tommy Harman and Katie Harman.

Mr. Valkema explained the changes in our Solid Waste Plan at State.

A motion was made by Mr. Bowser to approve the Solid Waste amendment plan as proposed by Cass County Solid Waste Planning Commission. Seconded by Mr. Frost and motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,


Carl Higley



Cass County Board of Commissioners

REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CASS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Cass County Road Commission
Conference Room
340 North O'Keefe Commission Chambers
July 19, 2012

6:00 P.M. Tour of Maintenance Building at Lawless Park

7:00 P.M. – CALL TO ORDER – *Chairperson Warren – please turn off cell phones*

INVOCATION – *Commissioner*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG – *Commissioner*

ROLL CALL – *Clerk-Register Barb Runyon*

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS – *Chairperson Warren*

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – *Commissioner*

PRESENTATION – *Tom Deneau and Alan Smaka, Wightman & Associates – Cedar Lake Project*

PRESENTATION – *Commissioner Ziliak, Household Hazardous Waste and Recycle Event*

PUBLIC COMMENT

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 5, regular meeting – *Commissioner*

COMMITTEE REPORTS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

To approve claims – M- -12 – Commissioner Higley

Resolution – Cedar Lake Project - R- -12 – Commissioner Wagel

To approve forwarding Solid Waste Plan Amendment - M- -12 – Commissioner Higley

Resolution - Interim Administrator/Controller contract - R- -12 – Commissioner Francis

To approve appointments and reappointments - R- -12 – Commissioner

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

CALENDAR-

Regular Meeting, August 2, 2012, 7:00 p.m. – held at Cass County Road Commission

Regular Meeting, August 16, 2012, 7:00 p.m. – held at Cass County Road Commission



CASS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
July 19, 2012

The County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Thursday, July 19, 2012 in the Board of Commissioner's Chambers.

Chairperson Minnie Warren called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Marchetti provided the Invocation. Commissioner Arnold led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Chief Deputy Clerk/Register Monica Kennedy called roll:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Robert Wagel; Edward Goodman; Cathy Goodenough; Skip Dyes; Gordon Bickel, Sr.; Charles Arnold; Roseann Marchetti; Carl Higley, Sr.; Ronald Francis; Dixie Ann File; E. Clark Cobb; Minnie Warren; Johnie Rodebush, Dale Lowe and Robert Ziliak.

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Monica Kennedy, Chief Deputy Clerk/Register.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

Visitors introduced themselves.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Goodman moved, seconded by Commissioner Higley, to approve the July 19, 2012 Cass County Board of Commissioner's Amended Agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

PRESENTATION

Tom Deneau and Alan Smaka of Wightman & Associates discussed the Cedar Lake Project.

PRESENTATION

Commissioner Ziliak presented on the Household Hazardous Waste and Recycle Event.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Lowe moved, seconded by Commissioner Marchetti, to approve the July 5, 2012 Board of Commissioner meeting minutes. Motion carried by voice vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioners File, Marchetti, Bickel, Ziliak and Francis provided committee reports.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Interim County Administrator Louis Csokasy presented the Administrator's Report as well as the Proposed FY2013 Budget.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

M-81-12

Commissioner Higley moved, seconded by Commissioner Goodman, to approve the claims dated 6/22/12 as submitted by the Claims Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

R-82-12

Commissioner Wagel moved, seconded by Commissioner Higley, to approve the following resolution:

COUNTY OF CASS

STATE OF MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH AND PROVIDE FOR THE CASS COUNTY SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM (LAKES AREA SEWER AUTHORITY SECTION - EXTENSION NO. 1)

WHEREAS, Act 185 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1957, as amended ("Act 185") authorizes a county, acting through its Department of Public Works, upon the request of a local unit of government to acquire, improve, enlarge and extend sewage disposal systems and water supply systems in said local unit of government; and

WHEREAS, the County of Cass ("Cass County") has (a) established a Department of Public Works under the terms of Act 185 with authority to acquire, improve, enlarge, and extend sewage disposal systems and water supply system improvements for local units of government and (b) appointed a Board of Public Works in accordance with Act 185; and

WHEREAS, Cass County acting by and through its Board of Public Works, the County of Van Buren, Michigan ("Van Buren County"), acting by and through its Board of Public Works, the Township of Marcellus, a general law township located in Cass County ("Marcellus Township"), the Township of Porter, a general law township located in Van Buren County ("Porter Township"), the Township of Volinia, a general law township located in Cass County ("Volinia Township"), the Village of Marcellus, a general law village located in Cass County (the "Village"), and the Lakes Area Sewer Authority (the "Authority"), are parties to that certain Cass County Sewage Disposal System (Lakes Area Sewer Authority Section) Bond Contract dated as of August 1, 2008 (the "Contract") in accordance with the terms of which Cass County issued bonds pursuant to Act 185 to pay a portion of the costs of acquiring and constructing the Cass County Sewage Disposal System (Lakes Area Sewer Authority Section) (the "LASA System"), duly established by Cass County as a county sewage disposal system to serve areas adjacent to Gravel Lake in Porter Township, Fish Lake and Saddlebag Lake located in Marcellus Township, and Finch Lake located partially in Volinia Township and partially in Marcellus Township, and in addition, to serve the Village, which areas were together duly established by Cass County as a county sewage disposal district designated as the Cass County Sewage Disposal District (Lakes Area Sewer Authority Section) (the "LASA District"); and

WHEREAS, Volinia Township, Marcellus Township and Porter Township incorporated the Authority pursuant to Act 233 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1955, as amended, to operate, maintain and administer the LASA System; and

WHEREAS, Porter Township, located in Van Buren County, in conjunction with the Authority, is proposing to extend the LASA System and the LASA District to serve areas adjacent to Cedar Lake in Porter Township (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the current pre-design estimate of cost of the Project is \$3,120,000, with an additional pre-design estimate of cost of \$1,320,000 to extend the LASA System and the LASA District to also serve areas adjacent to Pine and Hemlock Lakes in the Township of Marcellus located in Cass County (the "Marcellus Township Extension"); and

WHEREAS, Cass County has previously applied to United States Department of Agriculture/Rural Development ("USDA – Rural Development") for a low-interest loan and grant to fund the cost of the Project and the Marcellus Township Extension; and

WHEREAS, Porter Township, by resolution of its Township Board adopted on June 13, 2012, requested "the assistance of Cass County and Van Buren County with the acquisition, construction and financing of the Project by Cass County and Van Buren County, acting through their respective County Boards of Public Works, in accordance with Act 185 and to the extent practicable, the Township requests that the Project be coordinated and handled by Cass County and Van Buren County on behalf of the Township"; and

WHEREAS, the Authority, by resolution of its Commission adopted on June 25, 2012, made a similar request for assistance with the Project by Cass County and Van Buren County; and

WHEREAS, Wightman & Associates, Inc., as proposed Project engineer, has recommended that, as a matter of prudent utility planning, Cass County issue the necessary bonds in accordance with Act 185 for the Project, regardless of whether or not the Project is ultimately expanded to include the Marcellus Township Extension, because (1) the proposed Project is an extension of the current Cass County owned LASA System, (2) maintaining ownership of the LASA System and the extensions thereto (including the proposed Project) in a single-entity, e.g. Cass County, will simplify the related contracts and agreements, and (3) consistent with the USDA – Rural Development requirement that the USDA – Rural Development borrower own the sewer infrastructure to be financed, Cass County has applied for USDA – Rural Development loan and grant funding for the Project, thereby positioning Cass County to be the USDA – Rural Development borrower for the Project; and

WHEREAS, Section 8 of Act 185 authorizes a county operating under Act 185 to “acquire any part of a...sewage disposal system...in an adjoining county...upon the consent expressed by...resolution of the governing body of the municipality or municipalities in such adjoining county...in which such part of the system...is to be located...” and, accordingly, the acquisition and ownership of the Project by Cass County, to the extent the Project is located in Porter Township (Van Buren County), together with the issuance of bonds by Cass County for the Project, is subject to the consent and approval by Van Buren County in accordance with Act 185; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Public Works, having considered the proposed Project has recommended that the Cass County Board of Commissioners provide the requested assistance pursuant to Act 185 and adopt this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Board of Commissioners of Cass County, by a majority vote of its members-elect, hereby authorizes and directs that there be established under the provisions of Act 185 and other applicable state law, a county sanitary sewage disposal system to provide for the Project.

2. The county sewage disposal system shall be known as the "Cass County Sewage Disposal System (Lakes Area Sewer Authority Section - Extension No. 1)" and the area to be served thereby shall be known as the "Cass County Sewage Disposal District (Lakes Area Sewer Authority Section - Extension No. 1)."

3. The Board of Public Works is hereby directed to obtain and submit to this Board of Commissioners for approval, maps, plans, design specifications and estimates of cost for the Project as requested by Porter Township and the Authority in their resolutions addressed to Cass County and to negotiate and to submit to this Board of Commissioners for approval, one or more appropriate contracts with Porter Township, the Authority, the County of Van Buren, and, if applicable, Marcellus Township, with respect to the acquisition, construction and financing of the Project, which contracts shall be binding upon Cass County only upon subsequent approval by majority vote of the members-elect of the Board of Commissioners.

4. As requested by Porter Township and the Authority, Cass County and the Board of Public Works shall employ the following professional firms in connection with the Project:

As engineers: Wightman & Associates, Inc.
Benton Harbor, Michigan

As bond counsel: Mika Meyers Beckett & Jones PLC
Grand Rapids, Michigan

As financial advisor: Bendzinski & Co. Municipal Finance Advisors
Detroit, Michigan.

5. Cass County and the Board of Public Works shall cooperate with Porter Township and the Authority, so that there may be issued as promptly as possible, Cass County Bonds in one or more series in an amount sufficient to pay the cost of the Project, currently estimated in the amount of \$3,120,000 or, if the Marcellus Township Extension is also included, \$4,440,000. Said Bonds shall be retired solely out of payments to be made by Porter Township, and if applicable, Marcellus Township (with respect to the Marcellus Township Extension), to Cass County in amounts fully sufficient to meet all principal and interest requirements thereon. The full faith and credit of Cass County may be pledged, by subsequent resolution of the Board of Commissioners adopted by a 3/5 majority vote of its members-elect, as additional secondary security for the Bonds.

6. Porter Township in accordance with its resolution, shall reimburse Cass County and the Board of Public Works for all expenses incurred in connection with the Project, including all costs of Cass County associated with the authorization and issuance of the proposed bonds and any bond anticipation notes and all related county administrative fees and expenses in the event that the acquisition, construction and financing of the Project, for any reason, is not completed by Cass County.

7. To the extent required, Cass County shall serve on behalf of Porter Township, the Authority and, if applicable, Marcellus Township (with respect to the Marcellus Township Extension), as the applicant for the USDA - Rural Development loan and grant to fund the cost of the Project, and if applicable, the Marcellus Township Extension. The Chair of the Board of Public Works is hereby designated as the authorized representative of the County for the Project, and if applicable, the Marcellus Township Extension, in connection with the USDA - Rural Development loan and grant program and in such capacity is authorized and directed on behalf

of the County to complete and file with Rural Development all necessary applications and other documents required by the Rural Development loan and grant program for the Project, and if applicable, the Marcellus Township Extension, and all such filings made prior to the date of adoption of this resolution are hereby confirmed and ratified.

8. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the acquisition and financing of the Project, to the extent located in Porter Township (Van Buren County), is subject to the consent of Van Buren County in the manner required by Act 185.

9. All resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict herewith shall be and the same are hereby rescinded.

Discussion followed.

The Chair instructed the Clerk to call roll:

Yes (15): Commissioners Wagel, Goodenough, Dyes, Bickel, Arnold, Marchetti, Higley, Francis, File, Cobb, Rodebush, Lowe, Ziliak, Goodman and Warren.

No (0): None.

Absent (0): None.

Resolution R-82-12 carried by roll call vote.

M-83-12

Commissioner Higley moved, seconded by Commissioner Ziliak, to approve the forwarding of the Solid Waste Plan Amendment to the Department of Environmental Quality for their review and approval. Motion carried by voice vote.

R-84-12

Commissioner Francis moved, seconded by Commissioner Goodman, to approve the following contract for an Interim Administrator/Controller:

INTERIM

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR/CONTROLLER CONTRACT

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this 19th day of July 2012, by and between the County of Cass, State of Michigan, a municipal corporation, hereinafter called "Employer", as party of the first part, and Louis R. Csokasy, hereinafter called "Employee", as party of the second part, both of whom understand as follows:

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Employer desires to employ the services of said Employee as Interim Administrator/Controller of the County of Cass, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Commissioners or "Board", to provide certain benefits, establish certain conditions of employment and to set working conditions of said Employee; and

WHEREAS, Employee currently serves as the Managing Director of the Cass County Road Commission (CCRC) a position from which he will take an unpaid leave of absence upon approval of this contract by the Cass County Board of Commissioners and the Cass County Board of Road Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, The CCRC has approved the leave of absence and further approved arrangement set forth in this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Employee desires to accept temporary employment as Interim Administrator/Controller of said County;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, the parties agree as follows:

Section 1. Duties

Employer hereby agrees to employ said Employee as Interim County Administrator/Controller of said Employer to perform the functions and duties specified, including but not limited to:

A. Exercise all powers and functions assigned to the Office of County Controller by Act 49, Public Acts of 1969, as amended. Throughout the fiscal year, analyze the County operating budget to establish compliance with budget limitations and to determine future needs/revisions in the spending process. Direct the gathering and analysis of data for use in monitoring County finances and formulating recommendations to the Board.

B. Work with the Board committees, and all department heads, prepare and submit to the Board a recommended, balanced budget advising on all expenditures.

C. Oversee and coordinate the preparation and maintenance of accounts of every office, officer and department of the County, according to State statute. Employee may prescribe and direct the keeping of other accounts, records and reports as necessary.

D. Receive broad procedural guidelines/financial limitations in labor matters and in turn assist in labor negotiations, research compensation, fringe benefits, pending legislation and personnel rules. Make authoritative recommendations to the Board of Commissioners on these matters.

E. Direct staff in the orderly maintenance of the Personnel management and hiring system including Job Classification/ Evaluation/Market Analysis/Recruiting/Training and personnel policy. Provide integrated reports for use in effective management planning, personnel policy development.

F. Exercise responsibility for selection of all non-elected department heads, subject to Board approval.

G. Exercise responsibility and have final approval for the hiring and termination of all personnel in departments, which are not headed by elected officials. Monitor employee performance, initiate training and/or discipline up to and including termination as necessary. Arrange joint personnel use by departments whenever possible.

H. Develop and maintain a system of central purchasing with related record keeping and analysis to reduce costs and prevent duplication.

I Supervise and oversee the maintenance and repair of County buildings and grounds, including the county jail; Information Systems, Parks Department, Emergency Management and Veterans Affairs.

J. Research availability and conditions of grant funding. Advise Board and department heads of available funds and grant conditions and prepare and assist in the preparation of applications.

K. Assist County boards and committees in policy development. Receive broad goals and objectives from the Board of Commissioners. In turn, develop operating systems and alternatives to accomplish such goals and objectives and monitor same to insure existing policy compliance.

L. Analyze and monitor legislative and administrative changes, and potential changes, in light of their effect upon the County and advise the Board accordingly.

M. Prepare agenda for County Board meetings and committee meetings in concert with committee chairpersons and the Board Chairperson.

N. Act as County Board spokesman and public relations liaison to community groups and interested parties as required or as directed by the Board.

O. Perform all lawful duties and complete all lawful tasks which may be assigned from time to time by the Board of Commissioners or its designated representative.

P. Engage legal counsel on behalf of the County as he deems necessary to advance and/or protect the interests of the County.

Section 2. Terms

A. Employee is to serve at the pleasure of the Board of Commissioners. Nothing in this agreement shall prevent, limit or otherwise interfere with the right of the Board of Commissioners to terminate the services of Employee, for no reason, or for any reason whatsoever with or without notice; Subject only to the provisions set forth in Section 3, paragraph A of this Agreement.

B. Nothing in this agreement shall prevent, limit or otherwise interfere with the right of the Employee to resign at any time from his position with Employer, subject only to the provision set forth in Section 3, paragraph B, of this Agreement.

C. Employee agrees to begin work for the County of Cass no later than the 9th day of July, 2012, and to remain in the exclusive employ of Employer, devoting his full time and energy to Employer, until the close of business on Friday, March 8, 2013, at which time this Agreement and Employee's employment with the County shall automatically terminate unless extended in accordance with paragraph 2(D) below. He further agrees to neither accept other employment, nor engage in any other outside, for profit activity", while employed with the County except, this Agreement shall not be construed to prohibit occasional teaching, farming, writing, military reserve, private or consulting services performed on Employee's time off so long as those

activities are approved by the Chairperson of the Board in advance, are occasional in nature and do not interfere in the performance of Employee's duties to Employer. Employee shall notify the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners a reasonable time in advance of his desire to engage in such activities. Such services shall in no way create or appear to create a conflict of interest for the County or the Employee.

D. This agreement may be extended by a written agreement of the parties signed by Employee, Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners and the approval of the full Board of Commissioners.

Section 3. Termination and Severance Pay

A. In the event Employee is terminated by the Board of Commissioners for any or no reason before March 1, 2013 or during any mutually agreed extension period, Employee shall be entitled, except as limited below, to continuation of health and hospitalization insurance benefits for a three-month period after termination. All other benefits of every kind and nature shall terminate on the date set forth in the notice of termination from the Board. Employee shall not be entitled to the continuation of health insurance or any other accrued and unpaid vacation, holiday pay, if his termination was for (1) the commission of any felony; (2) commission of any act which offends common decency or morality, or which brings discredit upon the County or the Board, (3) theft, conversion, embezzlement or misappropriation of funds or other assets of the County or any affiliate thereof or any other act of fraud, dishonesty (i.e., a willful perversion of truth in order to deceive) or self-dealing with respect to the County or any affiliate thereof (including acceptance of any bribes or kickbacks); (4) intentional misconduct, grossly negligent conduct or unlawful misconduct in the performance of his duties hereunder, (5) continued incompetence or unsatisfactory performance; (6) the violation of any law regarding employment

Employee acknowledges that this is not a forty (40) hour per week job. Employee understands and agrees that to satisfactorily perform the duties of this position, he must devote a great deal of time outside the normal office hours to business of the Employer.

Section 7. Car Allowance

Employee shall receive a monthly car allowance of \$350 in the form of a reimbursement effective July 9, 2012 for the duration of his interim appointment.

Section 8. Benefits

Employee shall retain his current benefits and benefit schedule from the CCRC. The County shall reimburse the CCRC for the costs of those benefits on a monthly basis.

Section 9. Dues and Subscriptions

Employer agrees to budget and to pay dues and costs for membership in selected professional associations and for subscriptions to selected professional publications necessary for his continuation and participation in national, regional, state and local associations and organizations.

Section 10. Professional Development

A. Employer hereby agrees to budget for and pay the reasonable travel and subsistence expenses of the Employee incurred for professional and official travel, meetings and related occasions which are necessary for the professional development of Employee and to allow Employee to adequately pursue necessary official and other functions for Employer.

B. Employer also agrees to budget and to pay for the reasonable travel and subsistence expenses of Employee for short courses, institutes and seminars that are necessary for his professional development and for the good of the Employer.

Section 11. Indemnification

Employer shall defend, save harmless and indemnify Employee against any claim, charge, suit, demand or other legal action against employee (including actual attorney's fees and all costs of defense, settlements and/or judgments), whether such claims, suits or charges were groundless or otherwise, arising out of an alleged act or omission occurring in the good faith performance of the Employee's duties as Interim County Administrator/Controller. Employer may, in its discretion, compromise and settle any such claim or suit and pay the amount of any settlement or judgment rendered thereon without Employee's consent.

Section 12. Bonding

Employer shall bear the full cost of any fidelity or other bonds required of the Employee under any law or ordinance.

Section 13. Other Terms and Conditions of Employment

The Board of Commissioners, in consultation with the Employee, shall fix any such other terms and conditions of employment, as it may determine from time to time, relating to the performance of Employee, provided such terms and conditions are not inconsistent with or in conflict with the provisions of this agreement, or any other law.

Section 14. No Reduction of Benefits

Employer shall not at any time during the term of this agreement reduce the salary, compensation or other financial benefits of Employee, without the concurrence of Employee.

Section 15. Notices

Notices pursuant to this agreement shall be given by deposit in the custody of the United States Postal Service, postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

(1) EMPLOYER: The Cass County Board of Commissioners

(2) EMPLOYEE: Louis R. Csokasy

Alternatively, notices required pursuant to this agreement may be personally delivered by the Board to Employee and by Employee to the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners. Notice shall be deemed given as of the date of personal delivery or as of the date of deposit of such written notice with the United States Postal Service.

Section 16. General Provisions

A. The text herein shall constitute the entire agreement between the parties.

B. This agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the heirs at law and executors of Employee.

C. This agreement shall become effective commencing on the date Employee commences employment but not later than the 9th day of July, 2012.

D. If any provisions, or any portion thereof, contained in this agreement is held unconstitutional, invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this agreement, or portion thereof, shall be deemed severable, shall not be affected and shall remain in full force and effect.

E. This agreement may not be amended, altered, modified or revoked except in writing signed by both parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the County of Cass has caused this agreement to be executed on its behalf by its Chairperson and duly attested by its County Clerk, and the Employee has executed this agreement, both in duplicate, the day and year first above written.

Commissioner Lowe moved, seconded by Commissioner Rodebush, to add "with full approval of the Board of Commissioners" to paragraph D of page 5. Discussion followed. Motion carried by voice vote.

The Chair instructed the Clerk to call roll:

Yes (13): Commissioners Goodenough, Dyes, Arnold, Marchetti, Higley, Francis, File, Rodebush, Lowe, Ziliak, Goodman, Wagel and Warren.

No (2): Commissioner Bickel and Cobb.

Absent (0): None.

Amended Resolution R-84-12 carried by roll call vote.

M-85-12

Commissioner Cobb moved, seconded by Commissioner Francis, to approve the following reappointments:

Reappoint Walt Lehmann, David Kring and Tom Swartz to the Cass County Planning Commission for terms ending July 31, 2015.

Motion carried by voice vote.

M-86-12

Commissioner Dyes moved, seconded by Commissioner Goodenough, to approve decline the purchase of tax reverted properties as presented by Cass County Treasurer Linda Irwin. Motion carried by voice vote.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioners Marchetti, Goodman, Lowe, Bickel, Arnold and File offered comments or announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Wagel moved, seconded by Commissioner Bickel, to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Approved:

8-3-2012 Minnie Warren
Date Minnie Warren, Chairperson

Monica Kennedy
Monica Kennedy, Chief Deputy Clerk/Register

TO: Cass County Municipalities

FROM: Carl Higley, Chairperson, Solid Waste Planning Commission

DATE: March 20, 2012

RE: Amendment to Solid Waste Management Plan

A meeting of the Solid Waste Planning Committee has been set for April 2, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. in the Kincheloe Room of the Cass County Building, 120 N. Broadway, Cassopolis, Michigan. A copy of the proposed amendment to the Solid Waste Plan will be sent out shortly. Please contact Jackie Taylor by phone, 445-4421, e-mail jackiet@cassco.org or mail, 120 N. Broadway, Suite 116, Cassopolis, MI 49031 with any comments or questions you may have prior to the meeting date. If you wish, you may also contact Chairperson Carl Higley at 663-2265.

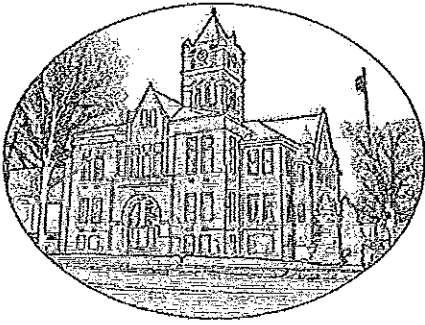
TO: Cass County Municipalities

FROM: Carl Higley, Chairperson, Solid Waste Planning Commission

DATE: March 23, 2012

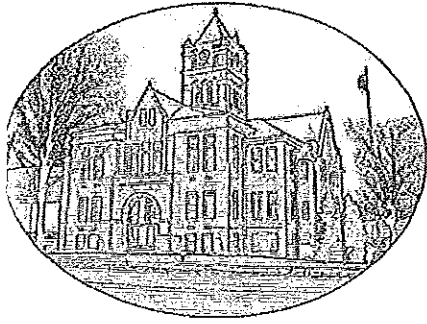
RE: Amendment to Solid Waste Management Plan

As stated in the letter sent to you on March 20, 2012 here is the Solid Waste Management Plan Amendment. Once again, the meeting of the Solid Waste Planning Committee has been set for April 2, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. in the Kincheloe Room of the Cass County Building, 120 N. Broadway, Cassopolis, Michigan if you are planning on attending. If you have any questions please call Jackie Taylor at 445-4421, e-mail jackiet@cassco.org or mail, 120 N. Broadway, Suite 116, Cassopolis, MI 49031 with any comments or questions you may have prior to the meeting date. If you wish, you may also contact Chairperson Carl Higley at 663-2265.



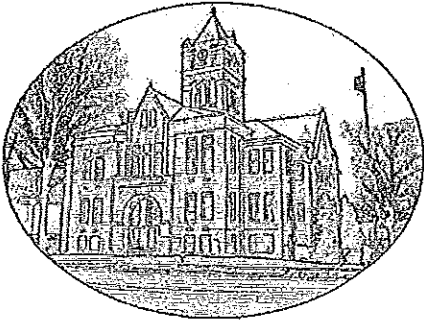
Cass County
Board of Commissioners

**There will be a meeting of the
Cass County Solid Waste
Planning Commission on
Monday, April 2, 2012 at 4:00
p.m. in the Kincheloe Room of
the Cass County Building, 120
N. Broadway, Cassopolis,
Michigan.**



Cass County
Board of Commissioners

**There will be a meeting of the
Cass County Solid Waste
Planning Commission on
Tuesday, July 10, 2012 at
2 p.m. in the Kincheloe Room
of the Cass County Building,
120 N. Broadway, Cassopolis,
Michigan.**



Cass County County Administrator

To: Solid Waste Committee members

From: Jackie Taylor

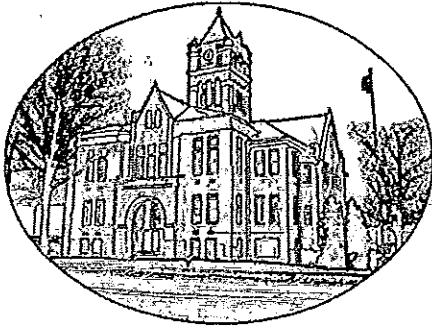
RE: Solid Waste Plan Amendment

The Solid Waste Plan Amendment is scheduled for Public Hearing on June 21, 2012 at the Board of Commissioner's meeting for any comments or concerns from any township entity or individuals.

A meeting of the Solid Waste Plan Committee needs to be held after that to discuss any comments that are made. I am scheduling a meeting on Tuesday, July 10, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. in the Kincheloe Room of the Cass County Building, 120 N. Broadway, Cassopolis, Michigan.

If you could please give me a call at 269-445-4421 and leave a message whether you will be attending or not so that we know if we have a quorum I would appreciate it.

Thank you.



Cass County Board of Commissioners

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CASS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Cass County Road Commission
Conference Room
340 North O'Keefe Commission Chambers
June 21, 2012**

7:00 P.M. – CALL TO ORDER – *Chairperson Warren – please turn off cell phones*

INVOCATION – *Commissioner File*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG – *Commissioner Bickel*

ROLL CALL – *Clerk-Register Barb Runyon*

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS – *Chairperson Warren*

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – *Commissioner Francis*

7:15 P.M. - PUBLIC HEARING – *Solid Waste Plan Amendment*

PRESENTATION – *CASA, Jim Ward, Director*

PRESENTATION – *Veteran's Affairs, Tom Green, Director*

PUBLIC COMMENT

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 7, 2012 Regular meeting, June 9, 2012 Workshop –
Commissioner Goodenough

COMMITTEE REPORTS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

To approve claims – M-70-12 – *Commissioner Higley*

To approve appointments and reappointments - M-71-12 – *Commissioner Ziliak*

Resolution – Opposition to Private Foster Care Rate Increase – R-72-12 – *Commissioner Higley*

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSED SESSION - To discuss the Cass Family Clinic - M-73-12 – *Commissioner Goodman*
ADJOURNMENT

CALENDAR-

Regular Meeting, July 5, 2012, 7:00 p.m. – held at Cass County Road Commission
Regular Meeting, July 19, 2012, 7:00 p.m. – held at Cass County Road Commission

CASS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

The County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, June 21, 2012 in the Cass County Road Commission Conference Chambers.

Chairperson Minnie Warren called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Commissioner File gave the Invocation; Commissioner Bickel led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Clerk/Register Runyon called roll:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Edward Goodman; Cathy Goodenough; Robert Wagel; Dwight Dyes; Gordon Bickel, Sr.; Charles Arnold; Roseann Marchetti; Carl Higley, Sr.; Ronald Francis; Dixie Ann File; E. Clark Cobb; Minnie Warren; Johnie Rodebush; Dale Lowe and Robert Ziliak.

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Barbara Runyon, Clerk/Register.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

Visitors introduced themselves.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Francis moved, seconded by Commissioner Rodebush, to approve the Amended June 21, 2012 Cass County Board of Commissioner's Agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

PRESENTATION

Jim Ward, Director of CASA for Cass County, presented on the CASA Program (Court Appointed Special Advocate). CASA has 22 active volunteers.

Tom Green, Veteran's Affairs Director, gave his annual report on the Cass County Veterans Affairs.

Chairperson Warren interrupted Director Green's report to go into public hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING

Chairperson Warren opened the public hearing on the Solid Waste Plan Amendment. Commissioner Higley explained that Henry Valkema from Michiana Recycling and Disposal Services would like to enlarge his facility. Michigan State indicated that the Solid Waste Plan would have to be amended in order to accomplish this expansion.

Chairperson Warren asked if there was any public comment. There was no public comment.

Commissioner Rodebush moved, seconded by Commissioner Higley, to close the public hearing. Motion carried by voice vote.

R-72-12

Commissioner Higley moved, seconded by Commissioner Rodebush, to adopt the following resolution:

COUNTY OF CASS, MICHIGAN
OPPOSITION TO RATE INCREASE FOR PRIVATE FOSTER CARE

WHEREAS, the Michigan Probate Judges Association has passed a resolution that strongly opposes a rate increase for private agencies supervising foster care and those agencies are already being paid an administrative rate of \$37.50 per day per child to grant these agencies a 22% increase after just one year is unconscionable. Many courts and counties are paying for multiple children. It is not uncommon for a family of 4-5 children to be placed in relative care. (In just one example, a court paid an agency \$37.50 per day per child, for a total of \$5,625 per month and \$67,500 per year. The five children were with a grandmother and the agency did not provide any special services. A caseworker saw them once per month.), and;

WHEREAS, the courts report that when special services to children are ordered, the response can vary from compliance to "we are not being paid for that" and the state mandated preference for private agencies has changed the ideal of placing children in their home communities. We now see frequent instances where children must be placed with an agency that only has beds available in distant counties. Courts and counties are paying higher dollars for reduced services and case workers who are unfamiliar with the community in which the parent is supposed to be served, and;

WHEREAS, Courts and counties are at the breaking point with the current \$37.50 administrative fee and there is nothing to ensure the accountability, competition, and improved services which privatization is intended to provide. The State Department of Human Services is conducting a study to determine appropriate rates for private agency administrative fees, and that research is not concluded, and rate increase is premature and unwarranted. It now makes more fiscal sense for courts to use that rate money to hire local social workers who are under the control of the court to supervise foster care arrangements. Under the current system there is no accountability, no competition, and no way to recognize credible agencies or sanction poor ones. Furthermore, it is not appropriate to single out private agencies for massive fee increases when, in every other area of social welfare, the state is cutting costs and reducing reimbursements to local governments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cass County Board of Commissioners opposes the rate increase for private foster care agencies. Copies of the resolution will be sent to the Michigan Department of Human Services Director, Senator John Proos, and State Representatives Matt Lori and Sharon Tyler, and Michigan Association of Counties.

The Chair instructed the Clerk to call roll:

Yes (15): Commissioners Dyes, Bickel, Arnold, Marchetti, Higley, Francis, File, Cobb,

Resolution #24-2012
Solid Waste Plan Amendment – Solid Waste Planning Committee

Under provisions of law and Statute provided, the following Resolution is hereby adopted by the LaGrange Township Board, Cass County, Michigan in a meeting assembled this 21st day of August 2012, at the LaGrange Township Hall, 58253 M-62, Cassopolis, Michigan.

RESOLVED:

That the Township Board of LaGrange Township, County of Cass, State of Michigan, does hereby acknowledge and approve the Solid Waste Management Plan Amendment which was received from the Solid Waste Planning Committee of Cass County in March of 2012.

Motion By: Supervisor Rob Wright **Support By:** Trustee Jay Brackensick

Roll Call Vote:

Rob Wright	<u> Y </u>
Naomi Criswell	<u> Y </u>
Amy Juroff	<u> Y </u>
Paul File	<u> Y </u>
Jay Brackensick	<u> Y </u>

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CASS COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Resolution Adopted 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of a resolution agreement adopted by the LaGrange Township Board at a meeting held on the 21st day of August, 2012 at the LaGrange Township Hall and that notice of said meeting was made and given in accordance with the provisions of the Michigan Open Meetings Act.



Amy J. Juroff, LaGrange Township Clerk

August 21, 2012
Dated

Resolution #2012-07

**Resolution for the Adoption of the 2012 Amendment to the Cass County 2000
Solid Waste Management Plan (Approved September 2000)**

**VILLAGE OF MARCELLUS,
COUNTY OF CASS, STATE OF MICHIGAN**

At a regular meeting of the Council of the Village of Marcellus, County of Cass, State of Michigan, held in said Village on September 27, 2012, there were:

Present: Dentler, Ludlow, Simmons, Thomas, Webb and Schick.

Absent: None.

The following resolution was offered by Webb and seconded by Simmons.

Resolution for the Adoption of the 2012 Amendment to the Cass County 2000 Solid
Waste Management Plan (Approved September 2000)

WHEREAS, Cass County, as well as all counties in the State of Michigan are required by Part 115 of PA 451 of 1994 (the Act), as amended, and the rules promulgated thereunder, to have a Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners, authorized an amendment to the current 2000 Cass Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners appointed the Department of Public Works as the Designated Solid Waste Planning Agency (DPA) to prepare the amendment with the advice and consultation of a Solid Waste Management Planning Committee (SWMPC); and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners appointed a SWMPC, pursuant to Section 11534 of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the DPA sent copies of the proposed Plan amendment to all municipalities; held a public hearing on the proposed amendment; and has revised the proposed amendment in response to comments made at the hearing as appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the SWMPC approved and submitted the proposed amendment to the Cass County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners stated its objections of the Plan amendment; and

WHEREAS, within thirty (30) days of receipt of the objections to the Plan amendment, the SWMPC submitted its response to the Cass County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Act requires approval of the Plan amendment by the County Board of Commissioners and at least sixty-seven percent (67%) of the municipalities in the County; and

WHEREAS, on April 2, 2012, the Cass County Board of Commissioners approved the Plan amendment with changes as stated in the Board's objections.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Marcellus APPROVES AND ADOPTS THE 2012 Plan amendment as its guide for addressing solid waste management in Cass County.

Adopted September 27, 2012 by a roll call vote of:

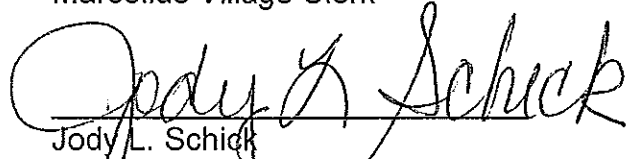
Yeas: Dentler, Ludlow, Simmons, Thomas and Schick.

Nays: Webb.

Dated: September 28, 2012


Krista D. Jourdan
Marcellus Village Clerk

Dated: September 28, 2012


Jody L. Schick
Marcellus Village President

Certification: I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the Village Council of the Village of Marcellus, County of Cass, State of Michigan, at a meeting held on September 27, 2012, the original of which is on file in my office and available to the public. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, including in the case of a special or rescheduled meeting, notice by posting at least 18 hours prior to the time set for said meeting.

Dated: 10/8/12


Krista D. Jourdan
Marcellus Village Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-1

**FOR ADOPTION OF THE 2012 AMENDMENT TO THE CASS COUNTY 2000 (APPROVED
September 2000) SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

At a regular meeting of the Marcellus Township Board, County of Cass, State of Michigan, held at Marcellus, Michigan on the 18th day of September, 2012, the following took place.

Present: Kish, Webb, Bainbridge, Birt, Davis

Absent: None

Kish offered the following resolution and moved for its support; the motion was supported by Bainbridge.

WHEREAS, Cass County, as well as all counties in the State of Michigan, are required by Part 115 of PA 451 of 1994 (the Act), as amended, and the rules promulgated thereunder, to have a Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners authorized an amendment to the current 2000 Cass Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners appointed the Department of Public Works as the Designated Solid Waste Planning Agency (DPA) to prepare the amendment with the advice and consultation of a Solid Waste Management Planning Committee (SWMPC); and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners appointed a SWMPC, pursuant to Section 11534 of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the DPA sent copies of the proposed Plan amendment to all municipalities; held a public hearing on the proposed amendment; and has revised the proposed amendment in response to comments made at the hearing as appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the SWMPC approved and submitted the proposed amendment to the Cass County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners stated its objections of the Plan amendment; and

WHEREAS, within thirty (30) days of receipt of the objections to the Plan amendment, the SWMPC submitted its response to the Cass County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Act requires approval of the Plan amendment by the County Board of Commissioners and at least sixty-seven percent (67%) of the municipalities in the County; and

Whereas, on April 2, 2012, the Cass County Board of Commissioners approved the Plan amendment with changes as stated in the board's objections.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Marcellus Township Board approves and adopts the 2012 Plan amendment as its guide for addressing solid waste management in Cass County.

YEAS: Birt, Brinkley, Kish, Webb

NAYS: Davis

ABSTAIN: —

ABSENT: —

Resolution declared adopted.

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of Marcellus Township, Cass County, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the proceedings taken at a regular meeting of the Marcellus Township Board held on the 18th day of September, 2012, a copy of which is on file in my office. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with Act 267, PA 1976, as amended.

Ann M. Webb

Ann M. Webb

Marcellus Township Clerk

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**SILVER CREEK TOWNSHIP
RESOLUTION NO. 12-13**

CASS COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of public health, safety, welfare and quality of life of the citizens of Silver Creek Township.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Silver Creek Township does hereby resolve to support the Cass County Solid Waste Management Plan Amendments of April 2, 2012.

Upon motion made by: Supervisor Saunders Support by: Treasurer Kuriata

Ayes: Mr. Glynn, Mr. Lehmann, Mrs. Kuriata, Mr. Saunders

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Moore

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
)
COUNTY OF CASS)

I, Walter F. Lehmann, Clerk of Silver Creek Township, Michigan, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Board of Silver Creek, County of Cass, State of Michigan at a meeting held September 12, 2012.

Date: September 13, 2012



Walter F. Lehmann, Clerk

Resolution #09-11-12-04
Mason Township Board Meeting
September 11, 2012

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CASS COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Councilmember Arlene Chew offered and moved the adoption of the following resolution;
seconded by Councilmember Jerry Myers.

FOR ADOPTION OF THE 2012 AMENDMENT
TO THE CASS COUNTY 2000 (Approved September 2000)
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, Cass County, as well as all counties in the State of Michigan are required by Part 115 of PA 451 of 1994 (the Act), as amended, and the rules promulgated thereunder, to have a Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners, authorized an amendment to the current 2000 Cass Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners appointed the Department of Public Works as the Designated Solid Waste Planning Agency (DPA) to prepare the amendment with the advice and consultation of a Solid Waste Management Planning Committee (SWMPC); and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners appointed a SWMPC, pursuant to Section 11534 of the Act; and

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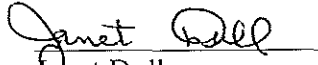
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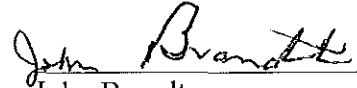
WHEREAS, the Act requires approval of the Plan amendment by the County Board of Commissioners and at least sixty-seven percent (67%) of the municipalities in the County; and

WHEREAS, on April 2, 2012, the Cass County Board of Commissioners approved the Plan amendment with changes as stated in the Board's objections.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Mason APPROVES AND ADOPTS THE 2012 Plan amendment as its guide for addressing solid waste management in Cass County.

Adopted this 11th day of September, 2012.


Janet Dull
Clerk


John Brandt
Supervisor

VILLAGE OF VANDALIA
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN
RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION

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CASS COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Councilmember Don Dumion offered and moved the adoption of the following resolution;
seconded by Councilmember Sam Fowler.

FOR ADOPTION OF THE 2012 AMENDMENT
TO THE CASS COUNTY 2000 (Approved September 2000)
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

- WHEREAS,** Cass County, as well as all counties in the State of Michigan are required by Part 115 of PA 451 of 1994 (the Act), as amended, and the rules promulgated thereunder, to have a Solid Waste Management Plan; and
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- WHEREAS,** within thirty (30) days of receipt of the objections to the Plan amendment, the SWMPC submitted its response to the Cass County Board of Commissioners; and
- WHEREAS,** the Act requires approval of the Plan amendment by the County Board of Commissioners and at least sixty-seven percent (67%) of the municipalities in the County; and
- WHEREAS,** on April 2, 2012, the Cass County Board of Commissioners approved the Plan amendment with changes as stated in the Board's objections.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Vandalia APPROVES AND
ADOPTS THE 2012 Plan amendment as its guide for addressing solid waste
management in Cass County.

Yeas: 5

Nays: 0

Resolution: 09102012

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PENN TOWNSHIP BOARD HELD the 10 day of September, 2012 at the Penn Township Hall, 60717 South Main Street, Vandalia, Michigan 49095.

PRESENT: Board Members: Fitzsimons, Mickey, Rutherford, Sparks

ABSENT: Board Members: Leach

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Board Member Fitzsimons and supported by Board Member Rutherford.

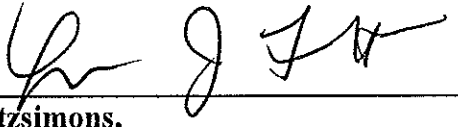
WHEREAS the Cass County Solid Waste Planning Committee previously had approved an Amendment to the Cass County Solid Waste Plan;

WHEREAS, the Township deems it advisable to support the Amendment;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Penn Township Board does hereby support the amendment to the Cass County Solid Waste Plan.

Ayes: 4
Nays: 0

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED



Lisa Fitzsimons,
Penn Township Clerk

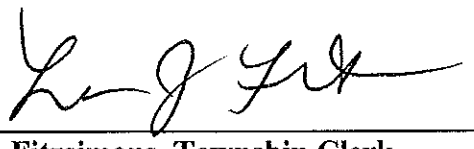
I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted by the Township Board of the Township of Penn, County of Cass, Michigan, at a regular meeting held on

9/10, 2012, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be made available as required by said Act.

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CASS COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR



Lisa Fitzsimons, Township Clerk

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**WAYNE TOWNSHIP
RESOLUTION #R-12-09-01**

CASS COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

**A Resolution to indicate Support of the Amendment to the Solid Waste
Management Plan as Adopted by the Cass County
Solid Waste Management Committee and the
Cass County Board of Commissioners**

WHEREAS, Cass County, as well as all counties in the State of Michigan, are required by Part 115 of PA 451 of 1994 (the Act), as amended, and the rules promulgated thereunder, to have a Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners, authorized an amendment to the current Cass County Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners appointed the Cass County Solid Waste Planning Committee to prepare the amendment; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners appointed the Cass County Solid Waste Planning Committee pursuant to Section 115344 of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Solid Waste Planning Committee sent copies of the proposed plan to all municipalities; held a public hearing on the proposed amendment; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Solid Waste Planning Committee approved and submitted the proposed amendment to the Cass County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners stated no objections to the Plan amendment; and

WHEREAS, the Act requires approval of the Plan amendment by the County Board of Commissioners and at least sixty-seven percent (67%) of the municipalities in the County; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners has approved the amendment to the Solid Waste Management Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Board of the Township of Wayne, Cass County, Michigan, approves the proposed amendment to the Solid Waste Management Plan in Cass County.

The foregoing resolution offered by Board Member Frank L. Butts.

Second offered by Board Member James K. Griggs.

Upon a roll call vote, the following voted:


AYE: Frank L. Butts
Kurt E. Reich
Judith Anne Fusko
Michael Krager, Jr.
James K. Griggs

NAY: none

The Supervisor declared Resolution R-12-09-01 adopted.

CERTIFICATE

I, Kurt E. Reich, the duly elected Clerk of Wayne Township, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Township Board of said Township at the regular meeting of said Board held on September 4, 2012, at which meeting a quorum was present, by a roll call vote of said members as herein before set forth by.



Kurt E. Reich, Clerk
Wayne Township

September 4, 2012
Date

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CASS COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Resolution #1
August 27, 2012

Councilmember Laylin offered and moved the adoption of the following resolution;
seconded by Councilmember Hunt.

FOR ADOPTION OF THE 2012 AMENDMENT
TO THE CASS COUNTY 2000 (Approved September 2000)
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, Cass County, as well as all counties in the State of Michigan are required by Part 115 of PA 451 of 1994 (the Act), as amended, and the rules promulgated thereunder, to have a Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners, authorized an amendment to the current 2000 Cass Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners appointed the Department of Public Works as the Designated Solid Waste Planning Agency (DPA) to prepare the amendment with the advice and consultation of a Solid Waste Management Planning Committee (SWMPC); and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners appointed a SWMPC, pursuant to Section 11534 of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the DPA sent copies of the proposed Plan amendment to all municipalities; held a public hearing on the proposed amendment; and has revised the proposed amendment in response to comments made at the hearing as appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the SWMPC approved and submitted the proposed amendment to the Cass County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners stated its objections to the Plan amendment; and

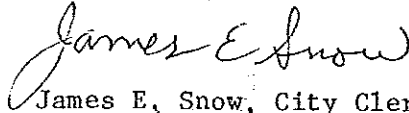
WHEREAS, within thirty (30) days of receipt of the objections to the Plan amendment, the SWMPC submitted its response to the Cass County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Act requires approval of the Plan amendment by the County Board of Commissioners and at least sixty-seven percent (67%) of the municipalities in the County; and

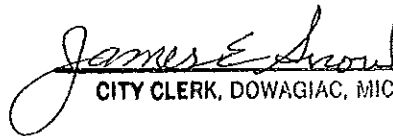
WHEREAS, on April 2, 2012, the Cass County Board of Commissioners approved the Plan amendment with changes as stated in the Board's objections.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Dowagiac approves and adopts the 2012 Plan amendment as its guide for addressing solid waste management in Cass County.

ADOPTED/~~REJECTED~~ unanimously.


James E. Snow, City Clerk.

CERTIFIED TO BE A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY

 29 AUG 2012
CITY CLERK, DOWAGIAC, MICH. DATE:

TOWNSHIP OF HOWARD
County of Cass, State of Michigan

AUG 27 2012

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CASS COUNTY 2012 SOLID WASTE PLAN
AMENDMENT**

WHEREAS, Cass County, as well as all counties in the State of Michigan are required by Part 115 of PA 451 1994 (the Act), as amended and the rules promulgated thereunder, to have a Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners, authorized an amendment to the current Cass County Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of Howard Township, Cass County, Michigan supports the Cass County 2012 Solid Waste Plan Amendment; and

WHEREAS, the Act requires approval of the Plan Amendment by the County Board of Commissioners and at least 67% of the municipalities in the County; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Howard Township Board of Trustees approves and adopts the 2012 Plan Amendment as its guide for addressing solid waste management in Cass County.

At a regular meeting of the Howard Township Board of Trustees, County of Cass, State of Michigan held in Howard Township, Niles, Michigan on the 21st day of August, 2012, a motion was made by Gordon, supported by Frost.


Upon roll call vote, the following voted "aye"

Fazi, Wozniak, Gordon, Bradfield, Patterson, Frost

The following voted "nay"

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned, as the duly elected and acting Clerk of the Township, hereby certifies that the within Resolution was duly adopted by the Township Board at a Regular Meeting of said Board, at which a quorum was present, held on August 21, 2012, and this resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval of the Township Board of Trustees.


Sheri Wozniak, Clerk

8-23-12
Date

Jefferson Township Member RUBEN BALCABA offered and moved the adoption of the following resolution; seconded by Jefferson Township Member CARMEN.

FOR ADOPTION OF THE 2012 AMENDMENT
TO THE CASS COUNTY 2000 (Approved September 2000)
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

- WHEREAS,** Cass County, as well as all counties in the State of Michigan are required by Part 115 of PA 451 of 1994 (the Act), as amended, and the rules promulgated thereunder, to have a Solid Waste Management Plan; and
- WHEREAS,** the Cass County Board of Commissioners, authorized an amendment to the current 2000 Cass Solid Waste Management Plan; and
- WHEREAS,** the Cass County Board of Commissioners appointed the Department of Public Works as the Designated Solid Waste Planning Agency (DPA) to prepare the amendment with the advice and consultation of a Solid Waste Management Planning Committee (SWMPC); and
- WHEREAS,** the Cass County Board of Commissioners appointed a SWMPC, pursuant to Section 11534 of the Act; and
- WHEREAS,** the DPA sent copies of the proposed Plan amendment to all municipalities; held a public hearing on the proposed amendment; and has revised the proposed amendment in response to comments made at the hearing as appropriate; and
- WHEREAS,** the SWMPC approved and submitted the proposed amendment to the Cass County Board of Commissioners; and
- WHEREAS,** the Cass County Board of Commissioners stated its objections to the Plan amendment; and
- WHEREAS,** within thirty (30) days of receipt of the objections to the Plan amendment, the SWMPC submitted its response to the Cass County Board of Commissioners; and
- WHEREAS,** the Act requires approval of the Plan amendment by the County Board of Commissioners and at least sixty-seven percent (67%) of the municipalities in the County; and
- WHEREAS,** on April 2, 2012, the Cass County Board of Commissioners approved the Plan amendment with changes as stated in the Board's objections.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Jefferson APPROVES AND ADOPTS THE 2012 Plan amendment as its guide for addressing solid waste management in Cass County.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

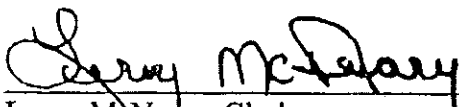
AYES: Carmen, Rubalcaba, Kirstein and McNeary

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Hass

ADOPTED: September 13, 2012

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Leroy McNeary", is written over a horizontal line.

Leroy McNeary, Clerk

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CASS COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Resolution #
August 27, 2012

Councilmember B. Rasmussen offered and moved the adoption of the following resolution;
seconded by Councilmember E. Walden.

FOR ADOPTION OF THE 2012 AMENDMENT
TO THE CASS COUNTY 2000 (Approved September 2000)
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, Cass County, as well as all counties in the State of Michigan are required by Part 115 of PA 451 of 1994 (the Act), as amended, and the rules promulgated thereunder, to have a Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners, authorized an amendment to the current 2000 Cass Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners appointed the Department of Public Works as the Designated Solid Waste Planning Agency (DPA) to prepare the amendment with the advice and consultation of a Solid Waste Management Planning Committee (SWMPC); and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners appointed a SWMPC, pursuant to Section 11534 of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the DPA sent copies of the proposed Plan amendment to all municipalities; held a public hearing on the proposed amendment; and has revised the proposed amendment in response to comments made at the hearing as appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the SWMPC approved and submitted the proposed amendment to the Cass County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners stated its objections to the Plan amendment; and

WHEREAS, within thirty (30) days of receipt of the objections to the Plan amendment, the SWMPC submitted its response to the Cass County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Act requires approval of the Plan amendment by the County Board of Commissioners and at least sixty-seven percent (67%) of the municipalities in the County; and

WHEREAS, on April 2, 2012, the Cass County Board of Commissioners approved the Plan amendment with changes as stated in the Board's objections.

Adopted by
Volinia Twp. Bd
9-10-12
Superior Supervisor

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CASS COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Resolution #
September 10, 2012

Councilmember Norm Krupp offered and moved the adoption of the following resolution;
seconded by Councilmember Paula Ralph.

FOR ADOPTION OF THE 2012 AMENDMENT
TO THE CASS COUNTY 2000 (Approved September 2000)
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, Cass County, as well as all counties in the State of Michigan are required by Part 115 of PA 451 of 1994 (the Act), as amended, and the rules promulgated thereunder, to have a Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners, authorized an amendment to the current 2000 Cass Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners appointed the Department of Public Works as the Designated Solid Waste Planning Agency (DPA) to prepare the amendment with the advice and consultation of a Solid Waste Management Planning Committee (SWMPC); and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners appointed a SWMPC, pursuant to Section 11534 of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the DPA sent copies of the proposed Plan amendment to all municipalities; held a public hearing on the proposed amendment; and has revised the proposed amendment in response to comments made at the hearing as appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the SWMPC approved and submitted the proposed amendment to the Cass County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners stated its objections to the Plan amendment; and

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WHEREAS, the Act requires approval of the Plan amendment by the County Board of Commissioners and at least sixty-seven percent (67%) of the municipalities in the County; and

WHEREAS, on April 2, 2012, the Cass County Board of Commissioners approved the Plan amendment with changes as stated in the Board's objections.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Ontwa APPROVES AND
ADOPTS THE 2012 Plan amendment as its guide for addressing solid waste
management in Cass County.

ADOPTED/REJECTED

Paula S. Ralph, Clerk

NK/MC

**ONTWA TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 10, 2012**

The regular monthly meeting of the Ontwa Township Board was called to order on September 10, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. in the township hall with Supervisor John Brielmaier presiding.

PRESENT: Supervisor John Brielmaier, Clerk Paula Ralph, Treasurer Meryl Christensen, Trustee Jerry Marchetti, Trustee Jerry Duck and Trustee Norm Krupp.

ABSENT: Trustee Jeff Kozinski

The minutes from the August 13, 2012 Regular Ontwa Township Board Meeting were approved as submitted upon motion by Treasurer Christensen seconded by Trustee Duck. Motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT: The treasurers' report, including the General Fund, Building Fund, Tax Fund, and Wastewater Treatment Funds were approved upon motion by Clerk Ralph seconded by Trustee Duck. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: Trustee Krupp moved to approve the General, and Wastewater bills, supported by Supervisor Brielmaier. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Planning Commission met on September 5th to discuss a special land use permit. The board will move forward with a change in the ordinance to allow "special events" in AR.

ZBA met on August 14th to hear a variance requests for 68390 M-62. The variance was granted.

Gary Foldenaur with Severn Trent submitted their monthly report. All stations ran well. A new electric panel was put into service at the May Street station. A total of 9,039,808 gallons was pumped to the Elkhart WWT from August 6, 2012 to September 5, 2012. All sampling requirements were completed on August 31, 2012.

The Building Inspectors' report consisted of 13 permits issued this month, total estimated valuation \$350,400.00.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Peddlers Permit-Trustee Duck made a motion for Ontwa Township to discontinue the issuing of Peddlers Permits. Motion was supported by Clerk Ralph and carried.

Emergency Alert System-Barb Dempsey gave an update on the survey taken.

NEW BUSINESS: Solid Waste Resolution-Trustee Krupp made a motion to adopt a Solid Waste Management Plan. Motion was supported by Clerk Ralph and carried.

Ordinance Amendments-Trustee Krupp made a motion to adopt text amendments to the Private Road, Zoning, Site Condominium and Subdivision Ordinances. In all four ordinances the applicant will file with the Zoning Administrator at least 30 days prior to the next scheduled Planning Commission meeting. Motion was supported by Trustee Duck and carried.

Eagle Lake SAD-At the request of the Eagle Lake Association, Supervisor Brielmaier made a motion to pass a resolution to establish the per parcel assessment amount for the 2012 winter tax bill. Motion was supported by Trustee Marchetti and carried.

Pleasant Lake Weed Control-Supervisor Brielmaier made a motion to continue another three (3) years with the Pleasant Lake Weed Control agreement. Motion was supported by Trustee Duck and carried.

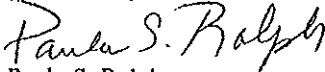
ANNOUNCEMENTS:

a. Fall Clean-Up: September 28th Noon-5:00 and September 29th 8:00-Noon.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40.

Next regular board meeting will be held on Monday, October 8, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paula S. Ralph".

Paula S. Ralph
Ontwa Township Clerk

Milton Township

32097 Bertrand Street, Niles, MI 49120 Phone (269)684-7262 Fax (269) 684-1742

Email: Milton@miltontwp.org Website: miltontwp.org

RESOLUTION: 2012-50R

During the Special Meeting of the Milton Township Board, Cass County, Michigan, held at the Milton Township Hall on the 28th of November, 2012 at 6:00pm, called to order by Supervisor Robert Benjamin, the following resolution was offered and adopted

FOR ADOPTION OF THE 2012 AMENDMENT TO THE CASS COUNTY 2000 (Approved September 2000) SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

- WHEREAS,** Cass County, as well as all counties in the State of Michigan are required by Part 115 of PA 451 of 1994 (the Act), as amended, and the rules promulgated thereunder, to have a Solid Waste Management Plan; and
- WHEREAS,** the Cass County Board of Commissioners, authorized an amendment to the current 2000 Cass Solid Waste Management Plan; and
- WHEREAS,** the Cass County Board of Commissioners appointed the Department of Public Works as the Designated Solid Waste Planning Agency (DPA) to prepare the amendment with the advice and consultation of a Solid Waste Management Planning Committee (SWMPC); and
- WHEREAS,** the Cass County Board of Commissioners appointed a SWMPC. pursuant to Section 11534 of the Act; and
- WHEREAS,** the DPA sent copies of the proposed Plan amendment to all municipalities; held a public hearing on the proposed amendment; and has revised the proposed amendment in response to comments made at the hearing as appropriate; and
- WHEREAS,** the SWMPC approved and submitted the proposed amendment to the Cass County Board of Commissioners; and
- WHEREAS,** the Cass County Board of Commissioners stated its objections of the Plan amendment; and
- WHEREAS,** within thirty (30) days of receipt of the objections to the Plan amendment, the SWMPC submitted its response to the Cass County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Act requires approval of the Plan amendment by the County Board of Commissioners and at least sixty-seven percent (67%) of the municipalities in the County; and

WHEREAS, on April 2, 2012, the Cass County Board of Commissioners approved the Plan amendment with changes as stated in the Board's objections.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Milton APPROVES AND ADOPTS THE 2012 Plan amendment as its guide for addressing solid waste management in Cass County.

Motion by: Robert Benjamin

Seconded by: Susan Flowers

Roll Call Vote: AYES: Kronewitter, Renken, Sweeney, Benjamin, Flowers

NAYS: None

MOTION: PASSED: 5 Yes Votes - 0 No votes

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of a resolution agreement adopted by Milton Township at a meeting held on November 28, 2012 at the Milton Township Hall and that notice of said meeting was made and given in accordance with the provisions of the Michigan Open Meetings Act.

Sue Kronewitter
Sue Kronewitter
Clerk Milton Township

11-28-2012
Date

PORTER TOWNSHIP
CASS COUNTY

November 13, 2012 Resolution

Township Board Member Russell offered and moved the adoption of the following resolution: seconded by Board Member Harvey.

FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE 2012 AMENDMENT
TO THE CASS COUNTY 2000 (Approved September 2000)
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, Cass County, as well as all counties in the State of Michigan are required by Part 115 of PA451 of 1994 (the Act), as amended, and the rules promulgated thereunder, to have a Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners, authorized a amendment to the current 2000 Cass County Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners appointed the Department of Public Works as the Designated Solid Waste Planning Agency (DPA) to prepare the amendment with the advice and consultation of a Solid Waste Management Planning Committee (SWMPC); and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners appointed a SWMPC, pursuant to Section 11534 of the Act; and

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WHEREAS, the SWMPC approved and submitted the proposed amendment to the Cass County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Cass County Board of Commissioners stated its objections to the Plan amendment; and

WHEREAS, within thirty (30) days of receipt of the objections to the Plan amendment, the SWMPC submitted its response to the Cass County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Act requires approval of the Plan amendment by the County Board of Commissioners and at least sixty-seven percent (67%) of the municipalities in the County; and

WHEREAS, on April 2, 2012, the Cass County Board of Commissioners approved the Plan amendment with changes as stated in the Board's objections,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Porter APPROVES AND ADOPTS THE 2012 Plan amendment as its guide for addressing solid waste management in Cass County.

Adopted: November 13, 2012 at the regular meeting of the Porter Township Board

I, Marty Russell, Porter Township Clerk, certify the above is a true and accurate copy of the resolution passed on November 13, 2012.


Marty Russell, Porter Township Clerk

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