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December 2, 2015

Mr. Robert Showers, Chairperson
Clinton County Board of Commissioners
100 East State Street
St. Johns, Michigan 48879-1571

Dear Mr. Showers:

The locally approved amendment to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan (Plan Amendment) received by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), dated October 6, 2015, is hereby approved.

The Plan Amendment makes the following changes:

- Updates the Import Authorization Table by adding the following counties: Clare, Hillsdale, Lenawee, and Mecosta counties.
- Updates the Export Authorization Table by adding the following counties: Clare, Hillsdale, Lenawee, and Mecosta counties.

The DEQ would like to thank Clinton County for its efforts in addressing its solid waste management issues. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Christina Miller, Solid Waste Planning, Reporting and Surcharge Coordinator, Sustainable Materials Management Unit, Solid Waste Section, Office of Waste Management and Radiological Protection, at 517-614-7426; millerc1@michigan.gov; or DEQ, P.O. Box 30241, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7741.

Sincerely,

Bryce Feighner, P.E., Chief
Office of Waste Management and
Radiological Protection
517-284-6551

cc: Senator Mr. Rick Jones
Senator Ms. Judy Emmons
Representative Mr. Tom Leonard
Ms. Kate Neese, Clinton County DPA
Mr. Dan Wyant, Director, DEQ
Mr. Jim Sygo, Chief Deputy Director, DEQ
Ms. Maggie Pallone, Director of Legislative Affairs, DEQ
Mr. Larry Bean, DEQ
Mr. Duane Roskoskey, DEQ
Ms. Rhonda S. Oyer/Ms. Christina Miller, DEQ/Clinton County File

**PART I:
ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES, PERMITTING AND RELATED REGULATIONS**

Permit Decisions Before the Office of the Director

NONE

Other Decisions Before the Office of the Director

AIR QUALITY DIVISION

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JOY CONSTRUCTION AND LEASING, INC., DETROIT, WAYNE COUNTY (N8078). Written comments are being accepted on a proposed consent order to administratively resolve alleged air pollution violations. Copies of the proposed consent order and Staff Activity Report are available at www.deq.state.mi.us/aps/downloads/Enforcement/AQD-Consent-Orders.shtml. Submit written comments to Jason Wolf, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, Air Quality Division, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909. Written comments will be accepted by email and all statements must be received by November 18, 2015 to be considered by the decision-maker prior to final action. If a request is received in writing by November 18, 2015, a public hearing may be scheduled. Information Contact: **Jason Wolf**, Air Quality Division, wolfj2@michigan.gov or 517-284-6772. Decision-maker: **Lynn Fiedler**, Air Quality Division Chief.

AIR QUALITY DIVISION

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TUSCOLA ENERGY, INC., AKRON, TUSCOLA COUNTY (SRNs: N0962, N1586, N2259, N3228, N7954, N7955, N8274, N8275, N8276, N8277, P0142, P0169, P0199, P0200, P0202, P0242, P0286, P0388 and P0493). Written comments are being accepted on a proposed consent order to administratively resolve alleged air pollution violations. Copies of the proposed consent order and Staff Activity Report are available at www.deq.state.mi.us/aps/downloads/Enforcement/AQD-Consent-Orders.shtml. Submit written comments to Malcolm Mead-O'Brien, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, Air Quality Division, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909. Written comments will be accepted by email and all statements must be received by November 18, 2015 to be considered by the decision-maker prior to final action. If a request is received in writing by November 18, 2015, a public hearing may be scheduled. Information Contact: **Malcolm Mead-O'Brien**, Air Quality Division, meadm1@michigan.gov or 517-284-6771. Decision-maker: **Lynn Fiedler**, Air Quality Division Chief.

OFFICE OF WASTE MANAGEMENT AND RADIOLOGICAL PROTECTION

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OTTAWA COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN AMENDMENT: Consideration of Department of Environmental Quality approval of the locally-approved amendment to the Ottawa County Solid Waste Management Plan (Plan Amendment). Ottawa County submitted this locally-approved Plan Amendment received on October 7, 2015. Information Contact: **Christina Miller**, 517-614-7426, millerc1@michigan.gov. Decision-maker: **Bryce Feighner, P.E.**, Chief, Office of Waste Management and Radiological Protection.

OFFICE OF WASTE MANAGEMENT AND RADIOLOGICAL PROTECTION

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CLINTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN AMENDMENT: Consideration of Department of Environmental Quality approval of the locally-approved amendment to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan (Plan Amendment). Clinton County submitted this locally-approved Plan Amendment received on October 6, 2015. Information Contact: **Christina Miller**, 517-614-7426, millerc1@michigan.gov. Decision-maker: **Bryce Feighner, P.E.**, Chief, Office of Waste Management and Radiological Protection.

WATER RESOURCES DIVISION

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PROPOSED WETLAND MITIGATION BANK IN PARMA TOWNSHIP, JACKSON COUNTY. The Water Resources Division has received a proposal for a wetland mitigation bank in Town 2S, Range 3W, Sections 23 and 24, Parma Township, Jackson County. The administrative rules for wetland mitigation banking allow for the use of credits from established mitigation banks to fulfill permit requirements associated with wetland permits. The Bank sponsor proposes to restore approximately 32.7 acres of wetland in the Kalamazoo River Watershed consisting of 20 acres of forested wetland, 1.7 acres of scrub-shrub wetland and 11 acres of emergent wetland. Written comments should be submitted to Michael Pennington, Water Resources Division, P.O. Box 30458, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7958, no later than November 10, 2014. Information Contact: **Michael Pennington**, Water Resources Division, 517-284-5539. Decision-maker: **Bill Creal, Water Resources Division Chief.**



Clinton County Department of Waste Management

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Phone: 989-224-5186, Fax: 989-224-5102

October 2, 2015

Christina Miller
 DEQ Solid Waste Planning
 545 W. Allegan, PO Box 30241
 Lansing, MI 48933

Dear Ms. Miller,

As you are aware, Clinton County has been asked to consider amending the current Solid Waste Management Plan to include four additional counties. These four counties include Clare, Hillsdale, Mecosta and Lenawee. Here is the approved amendment language for the DEQ's final review and consideration:

[In Section 5.5, entitled "IMPORT AUTHORIZATION," to the table entitled "Import Volume Authorizations of Solid Waste" on page 43, the following counties are added as rows

IMPORTING COUNTY	EXPORTING COUNTY	FACILITY NAME	AUTHORIZED QUANTITY/DAILY	AUTHORIZED QUANTITY/ANNUAL	AUTHORIZED CONDITIONS
Clinton	Clare	ALL	unlimited*	unlimited*	P*
Clinton	Hillsdale	ALL	unlimited*	unlimited*	P*
Clinton	Lenawee	ALL	unlimited*	unlimited*	P*
Clinton	Mecosta	ALL	unlimited*	unlimited*	P*

Authorization indicated by P= Primary Disposal; C= Contingency Disposal; and *=Other conditions exist.

*ANNUAL CAP: The sum of all waste disposed of in facilities within Clinton County, which were owned by Granger at the time of the writing of this Plan.

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may not exceed 2,500,000 cubic yards per year. See Section 6.8 of this Plan document.

In all other respects the remaining content of this table and of Section 5.5 as contained in the 2000 Plan is ratified, preserved and confirmed]

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[In Section 5.6, entitled "EXPORT AUTHORIZATION," to the table entitled "Export Volume Authorizations of Solid Waste" on page 45, the following counties are added as rows

EXPORTING COUNTY	IMPORTING COUNTY	FACILITY NAME	AUTHORIZED QUANTITY/DAILY	AUTHORIZED QUANTITY/ANNUAL	AUTHORIZED CONDITIONS
Clinton	Clare	ALL	unlimited*	unlimited*	P*
Clinton	Hillsdale	ALL	unlimited*	unlimited*	P*
Clinton	Lenawee	ALL	unlimited*	unlimited*	P*
Clinton	Mecosta	ALL	unlimited*	unlimited*	P*

Authorization indicated by P= Primary Disposal; C= Contingency Disposal; and *=Other conditions exist.

In all other respects the remaining content of this table and of Section 5.6 as contained in the 2000 Plan is ratified, preserved and confirmed]

Enclosed you will find all of the required materials for your review. Please feel free to contact our office if you need additional information.

Sincerely,



Kate Neese
Waste Management Coordinator
Clinton County Department of Waste Management

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Enclosures:

- Signed and approved minutes and/or resolution indicating approval of the amendment by the Solid Waste Management Planning Committee. (1 – approval prior to the 90-day public comment period – January 22, 2015 and 2 – approval before the Board of Commissioners formal action May 14, 2015)
- Signed and approved minutes and/or resolution indicating approval of the amendment by the County Board of Commissioners.
- A copy of the notice of public hearing that includes the date of publication. (*Notice must be a minimum of 30 days prior to the public hearing date.*)
- Notes taken at the public hearing, including all written and oral comments on the Plan.
- Signed resolution or approval of the amendment from at least 67 percent of all municipalities.
- A list of all municipalities within the County – all of which received the information through regular mail dated June 4, 2015 and email on May 26, 2015 (and received subsequent follow up phone calls and emails).
- List of the Solid Waste Management Planning Committee members and their areas or representation.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CLINTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE (SWMP) HELD THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 2015, AT THE CLINTON COUNTY COURT HOUSE, 100 EAST STATE STREET, ST. JOHNS, MICHIGAN 48879

MEMBERS PRESENT: Denise Donahue, Tim Fair, Anne Hill, Tim Machowicz, Tonia Olson, Roger Simon, Walt Sorg, Rodney Taylor and Lori Welch
MEMBERS ABSENT: Dan Coss, John Lancour, Susan Palmer, Julie Powers and Christine Spitzley
STAFF PRESENT: Kate Neese, Chris Hewitt and Therese Koenigskecht
GUESTS: Terry Link

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Department of Waste Management Coordinator (DWMC) Kate Neese called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m.

2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

DWMC Neese stated according to the by-laws, a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and Secretary are to be elected each year. *A motion was made by Member Olson to nominate Rod Taylor for the Chairperson position, supported by Member Machowicz. Motion carried.* Time was offered for additional nominations or comments.

DWMC Neese asked for nominations for Vice-Chairperson. *A motion was made by Member Fair to nominate County Commissioner Hill for the Vice-Chairperson position, supported by Member Olson. Motion carried.* Time was offered for additional nominations or comments.

DWMC Neese asked for nominations for Secretary. *A motion was made by Member Olson, supported by Member Taylor to nominate Dan Coss as Secretary. Motion carried.* Time was offered for additional nominations or comments.

3. APPROVAL/ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Chairman Taylor asked for additions/deletions to the agenda. He noted there were two additions, #5 Approval of the March 27, 2014 meeting minutes and #6 Approval of Per Diem Vouchers. *A motion was made by Member Fair, supported by Member Donahue to approve the agenda with two additions as noted. Motion carried.*

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairperson Taylor called for public comment.

- Terry Link, stated his main concern with this plan is that it moves waste further from its' generation point and there's an environmental impact to that.

Chairperson Taylor asked for any other public comment.

5. APPROVAL OF MARCH 27, 2014 MEETING:

A motion was made by Member Welch, supported by Member Olson to approve the minutes from the March 27, 2014 meeting. Motion carried.

6. APPROVAL OF PER DIEM VOUCHERS

A motion was made by Member Sorg, supported by Member Fair to approve payment of the Per Diem Vouchers. Motion carried.

7. REVIEW DRAFT AMENDMENT

DWMC Neese stated the Resolution is a draft resolution discussed, at length, in March with a few edits. Chairman Taylor stated there is a significant question and answer handout and asked Ms. Olson to go through the handout with the committee.

- Member Olson stated Granger is requesting to amend the Plan to allow the County to import waste from 4 additional counties to the 19 already allowed. Granger's request is that the County would consider import and export authorization. She stated waste is managed in this state through a solid waste plan, which means that each county does their own plan and it's approved

by the state. This also requires that each county authorizes whether they will accept waste from the other. Granger has increased their footprint and has recently acquired transfer stations in Jackson and Alma. Member Olson stated the waste would not be trucked in the type of truck that picks up at residents; it would go to the transfer station and be reloaded into large container-type trucks and transported back to the Wood Street facility for disposal. Member Olson also stated the four counties are Clare, Hillsdale, Lenawee and Mecosta. Clare is the only one that has an active landfill and they may be particular about the reciprocity being import/export.

- Chairman Taylor asked if there have been conversations with those counties in terms of the likelihood for any adjustment. Member Olson stated their approach was to come to Clinton County first and since that process is not completed, Granger has not reinitiated any conversations with the other counties. There was discussion on the unusually high amounts of gas being produced and the system at Granger not being able to accommodate that.
- Member Sorg inquired about the projected lifespan of the Wood Street facility if these changes were to occur and the increase of traffic on Wood Road. Member Olson stated this is difficult to project as the amount of volume they will be receiving from these other counties will be minimal. She stated it is a matter of ease of transportation and making sure that Granger can cross a road that is in a different county. Member Olson stated Wood Street was designed and Granger helped to contribute money to help handle truck traffic. Traffic will be limited to the 120 yard transfer trailers so the repetition of traffic is less due to the size of the truck.
- Export concerns were brought up by the Committee members. Member Olson stated for every cubic yard that is received at the Granger facility, the County receives funding that supports their environmental programs; recycling; and waste reduction. Member Fair stated the draft speaks only to importing and asked if it's going to be an issue to redraft to address importing and exporting. Ms. Olson requests that the SWMP committee consider this since other counties would expect that they would have the same opportunity for their local haulers that also do business in this market.
- Chairman Taylor clarified that tonight's action is not to pass a resolution; it's to set a public hearing. This resolution is a draft and any changes would be directed to staff to be brought back to the committee. Chairman Taylor asked for any other comments or questions.
- Member Welch would like to see if there is a good example that would encourage recycling and waste reduction.
- Member Olson stated their ultimate goal is to be a successful business that is not solely based on trash coming into the landfill; it is on the environmental stewardship that they provide overall with the thinking of waste as a resource that can be used.
- Several board members remarked that Granger provides for recycling; has a handle on controlling the methane gas smell; is an excellent business neighbor who provided detailed information at public forum.
- Member Machowicz spoke about Michigan's 15% recycling rate; his frustrations to push politicians to raise that rate and also asked if there are other solid waste plans in Michigan that would do a better job of addressing the concerns brought up today. DWMC Neese stated waste reduction is addressed in the Master Plan.
- Member Simon spoke about landfill diversion and stated if it has value it will come out of the waste stream. He also feels the 15% recycling rate is due to the returnable law on carbonated beverages and believes education in the schools with kids on recycling is the key as well as recycling has to be funded.
- Member Olson stated the cap would not change with adding volume from the 4 counties; the amendment request has only to do with the addition of the 4 counties and does not change anything in the Solid Waste Plan.
- Member Welch agrees that education and outreach is critical and feels services has to be more convenient and available to more residents of this state.
- Member Donahue questioned if funds to the County would be decreased if the word "export" is placed in the Amendment that would allow the reciprocity. There was also discussion regarding the .25 cent tipping fee per cubic yard that Granger pays to

Clinton County. It was noted this amount has not changed since those fees were established in the 1990's. That amounts to approximately \$315,000 to run all of the programs through the Dept. of Waste Management.

- Chairperson Taylor asked for a recap. DWMC Neese stated the following:
 - a. The SWMP Committee will review the draft resolution; make comments and edits so the Committee can agree to a draft that can be forwarded for public comment and to establish a public hearing. Once the SWMP Committee agrees on a draft (tonight or the Committee can meet again to finalize a draft).
 - b. There will be a press release stating the draft resolution is available through email or paper mail, however, requests will have to come through the DWM.
 - c. There is a 90 day public comment period followed by a public hearing. The public hearing will be advertised heavily.
 - d. After the public hearing, the SWMP Committee will meet again to finalize a draft to recommend to the Commissioners for review and approval.
 - e. The Commissioners can either approve or deny it. If they deny it, it will come back to the SWMP Committee with their comments and the SWMP Committee will debate it and present it again.
 - f. Once it receives the Commissioner's approval, it goes out to all of the municipalities for their review and vote.
 - g. If it doesn't pass by a 2/3 majority of the municipalities, the SWMP Committee will meet again. If it passes by the 2/3 majority;
 - h. The DWM will then take over after that.
- Chairperson Taylor raised the question if this vote is 16 townships or if it includes cities and villages. DWMN Neese will check on the total but feels it includes cities and villages as well. Member Hill asked how the City of East Lansing falls into this since there is a section that is in Clinton County. DWMC Neese stated she included Lansing Township and the City of East Lansing on the emails.
- Chairperson Taylor asked for clarification if the SWMP Committee is not approving the resolution but recommending the resolution to the Board of Commissioners, why is a public hearing held prior to making that recommendation. DWMN Neese stated this is in the DEQ requirements in moving this request forward.

A motion was made by Member Fair to concur with the Draft Resolution as modified (exporting and importing language) and to establish a Public Hearing. Member Donahue supported the motion. Chairman Taylor asked for discussion and public comment.

Mr. Link spoke regarding more resistance from people if the exporting language is added. Member Olson stated that Granger would prefer that the trash not be exported, however, there are other counties involved in this proposal.

Chairman Taylor recapped what was discussed at tonight's meeting reference the expense of establishing landfills; transportation needs; the importance of recycling; increasing transportation uses and Granger providing a viable service to the community.

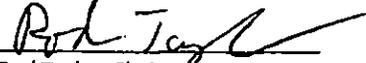
The above motion carried.

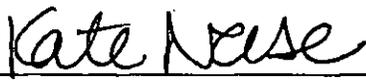
***DWMC Neese stated the tentative date for the Public Hearing is Thursday, April 30, 2015 at 5:30 in the Board of Commissioner's Room.**

8. OTHER BUSINESS

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, **it was moved by Member Fair, supported by Member Hill to adjourn. Motion carried.** The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.


Rod Taylor, Chairman


Kate Neese, Waste Management Coordinator


Therese Koenigsnecht, Recording Secretary

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OF THE CLINTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE (SWMP) HELD THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2015, AT THE CLINTON COUNTY COURT HOUSE, 100 EAST STATE STREET, ST. JOHNS, MICHIGAN 48879

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dan Coss, Denise Donahue, Tim Fair, Anne Hill, John Lancour, Tonia Olson, Julie Powers, Kurt Ray, Christine Spitzley and Rodney Taylor

MEMBERS ABSENT: Tim Machowicz, Roger Simon, Lori Welch & Walt Sorg (Mr. Sorg present via telephone)*
***change made at May 14, 2015 meeting**

STAFF PRESENT: Kate Neese, Chris Hewitt and Therese Koenigsknecht

GUESTS: David Stewart, Gayle Miller, Jane Dehoog, Richard Rogers, John Bell, Becky Bell, Bettina Brander, Jane Dailey, Johanna Balzer, Keith Granger and Christina Miller

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

SWMP Chairman Rod Taylor called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

2. APPROVAL/ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Chairman Taylor asked for additions/deletions to the agenda. Member Coss asked to move Other Business to #6 and prior to that add #5 Acceptance of the Public Comment Correspondence that was received and add an item to consider the next meeting date would be #7 and Adjournment would be #8. *This motion was supported by Member Fair. Motion carried.*

3. APPROVAL OF PER DIEM & MILEAGE VOUCHER

A motion was made by Member Coss supported by Member Ray to approve payment of the Per Diem Vouchers. Motion carried.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Taylor explained to the audience that Public Comment is limited to 3 minutes and ask DWM Coordinator Neese to keep track of the time. He also explained that the purpose of the public hearing is to take comments from the public on the change that has been requested to the Solid Waste Plan. He noted that the SWMP Board is not in attendance to respond to questions or providing answers, however, he stated they may do so. He stated the primary purpose of tonight's hearing is to receive public comment and at a later date there will be a subsequent meeting where discussion of the Board will take place at that time and a recommendation will be made to the Clinton County Board of Commissioners. He asked the Board members

David Stewart, 12595 Wood Road, Dewitt, MI 48820:

- Mr. Stewart stated he sent a letter of protest and noted that this is not about Granger as a company. His concern is the large amount of traffic on that road by large compacted trucks and stated 5 trucking companies are on Wood Road. He is concerned about the health and safety of residents and suggested that a Class A road, such as Old US-27, be used instead of Wood Road, which is a Class B road. He also suggested that Granger use their own road, which goes directly to the landfill. He was also concerned that the environmental impact study conducted by a third party should have been handled by the state instead and also complained about the odor coming from the landfill.

Bettina Brander, 1537 Valley View, Lansing, MI 48906:

- Ms. Brander thanked Granger for the beautiful park, recycling center and their cleaning of Wood Road. She expressed concern with the stench coming from the landfill as well as the lack of notification advertising the Public Hearing as well as the letters of support from the Public Comment handout is from people who do not live in the area. She stated her concern is regarding the value of her home; the chemicals in the ground and drinking water, traffic on Wood Road and why Granger is taking other counties trash.

Jane Dailey, 17206 Autumn Lane, Lansing, MI 48906 (Groesbeck Area - Lansing Township):

- Ms. Dailey stated she appreciates the Granger company and what they give back to the community. She stated that last year was a bad year as far as the smell and recently spoke with Mr. Nuerenberg from Granger as well as the DEQ. Mr. Nuerenberg explained to her that last year was a bad year for odor because Granger had accepted a large amount of sludge but has discontinued this. She is also concerned with the increase in traffic not only on Wood Road but Lake Lansing Road as well.

Keith Granger, 19680 Wood Road, Lansing, MI 48909 (business address)

- Mr. Granger stated he is the President/CEO of Granger. Mr. Granger explained the strategy of Granger and what they are trying to accomplish by asking for 4 additional counties and stated that currently they can bring trash in from 20 counties and recently began doing business in Gratiot and Jackson counties. He stated they have a recycling and disposal center in both of those counties and stated the counties they are asking to expand into about the existing counties Granger is in currently. He stated he understands the concerns of adding 4 more counties, however, explained that the waste Granger receives trash from,

90% of it comes from 3 counties. He stated the whole purpose of this request is to remain competitive, stated Granger is a very small player in the solid waste and recycling business. He ended by stating that in order to remain competitive and provide sustainable long-term employment, Granger needs these types of options to provide flexibility. He also stated Granger is continuing to work on the odor problems and noted that the last 12-18 months the odor was high due to sludge that they took in and have since discontinued.

Jane Dehoog, 1285 Mayfield Drive, Lansing, MI 48906:

- Ms. Dehoog she stated she understands the need for a business to expand and grow, however, she stated the SMWP Commission represents the people who are in attendance and not the business. She explained that her main complaint is the odor coming from the landfill not only when she's outside but in her home as well. She also complained of the noise from the generators as well as the dust and dirt coming from Granger and seepage of chemicals into the ground. She asked the SWMP Commission to consider the citizens of that area when making a decision.

Rebecca Bell, 1424 Valley View Road, Lansing, MI 48906:

- Ms. Bell expressed the importance of health issues especially for people living in close proximity to Granger and stated she and 5 other people in her subdivision have been diagnosed with cancer. She is asking for some form of diversity within Granger's business other than to bring in more garbage and feels it is not in the best interest or health and well-being for a huge landfill to be in such proximity to a residential area.

Gayle Miller, 9395 Taft Road, Ovid, MI 48866:

- Ms. Miller introduced herself and explained that she worked for the Clinton County Department of Waste Management for 11 years. She is concerned that the Solid Waste Plan was first developed in 1990, has rarely been modified since and feels this may be the only opportunity for the next 20 years to modernize the Plan. She stated that currently the user fee is \$.25 per cubic yard and was established 25 years ago and the DWM's budget has been continually cut. Ms. Miller feels the SWMP Commission should ask for an increase to \$.75 per cubic yard in exchange for allowing Granger to expand. Ms. Miller also stated she feels the other 4 counties should do something to reduce their own waste or Granger must be required to offer a full range of waste reduction service to their customers. She also feels one public hearing with a 3 minute time limit for comments is not adequate.
- Chairperson Taylor asked for any other public comment; seeing no additional comments he closed the Public Hearing.
- Chairperson Taylor asked DWM Coordinator Neese for an overview on the process. DWMC Neese stated that all public comments heard tonight and received in writing will be transcribed into minutes, share with the SWMP Committee at the next meeting and review the public comments. It will be up to the SWMP Committee to decide if they want to incorporate any of these comments into the actual language of the proposed amendment. If and when the SWMP Committee comes to a consensus on the proposed language, it will be presented to the Board of Commissioner's Finance & Personnel Committee first and then to the Board the next week. The Commissioner's review it and put it to a vote and depending on how they vote, it will then go to all of the local municipalities within the county for their review and their vote. It cannot pass without a 2/3 majority. At that juncture, it comes back to the Department of Waste Management for the DWM office to put together per DEQ guidelines and then submit it to the Department of Environmental Quality for final review and State of Michigan has the final decision as to whether or not amend the Solid Waste Management Plan.
- Chairman Taylor asked if any of the SWMP Board had any questions. Member Coss asked if any amendments from the SWMP Committee forwarded to the Board of Commissioners are only for item that has been proposed and nothing additional. Modifications can be made but nothing additional?
- DWMC Neese stated yes and if the SWMP decides to change the language in a substantial way, you begin the process over.
- Chairman Taylor asked for substantial to be defined.

Christina Miller, Solid Waste Planning Coordinator, Department of Environmental Quality, Lansing, MI:

- Ms. Miller explained that she is the only employee for the DEQ who does Planning at this time and she is currently working with 19 other counties in the process of amending their Solid Waste Plan. Currently Clinton County's proposal to the Solid Waste Plan update is regarding import/export authorization. She stated if Clinton County wanted to add another county to the SW Plan that would be considered minor. She stated that substantial means adding something not related to the particular section of the Plan itself. Ms. Miller stated she has looked at the public comment emails that DWMN Neese has forwarded to her and noted limitations concerns; volumes would not be considered substantial since it's still in the same section. She stated that going above and beyond that section you are currently looking at would be substantial. She stated that requiring recycling of those 4 counties, the import/export table, is not something that is not in there.

- Chairman Taylor asked if the SMWP Committee could chose additional requirements without relying on the Board of Cómmissioners to make that recommendation to the SWMP Committee.
- Ms. Miller stated it is the SWMP's prerogative and time for the SWMP Commission to make decisions/changes with the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan. She stated this is the time if the County wants a facility to expand, allow for additional counties, this is the time to look at what you want to do for the implementation for your county's solid waste management including recycling and composting. She stated if the County wanted to add recycling initiatives, you could start a second amendment process and take care of those issues and still pass this amendment forward. She stated that getting a committee together and people understanding what's going on is the hardest part.
- Member Lancour asked if it would be easier to start a second amendment as opposed to putting language into the current amendment such as the fees going into the Solid Waste Plan.
- Ms. Miller stated since you have a committee together and there were some issues brought up today and previous emails and the SWMP Committee should really be looking at this. She also stated that the law says that a county should update their Plan every 5 years and the department has failed on that part and the DEQ hasn't required counties to amend their Plans. She stated that all of the Plans are old and have been functioning as is. She emphasized that if the SWMP Committee wants to pursue additional amendments, now is the time to do that.
- Member Fair asked Ms. Miller if it would be substantially different from the import/export amendment before the SWMP Committee to require the 4 other counties to go into recycling. If not, what would be substantial?
- Ms. Miller stated that you could not add recycling for only the 4 counties being requested; it would have to be added to the other 20 counties that garbage is being taken from. She was also unsure if that would be substantial or not as there are county plans who have that requirement and others who authorize other requirements and others that are closed counties.
- Ms. Miller gave an example of something substantial would be to authorize the siting of an expansion to the Granger facility and this is completely different from an import/export table. Changing different sections (ordinances) is another example of a substantial change. Ms. Miller stated if you could insert the 4 counties into your current approved Plan, then they would be inserted.
- Member Lancour asked for clarification on the amendment at hand.
- Member Coss stated this can be a 2-prong request. The SWMP Committee can move forward with this amendment and request from Granger and if the SWMP Committee and/or BOC request that the County look at tipping fees or other items, there can be a second process or amendment.
- Member Spitzley was concerned about that process of an additional amendment and dragging this update out for too long.
- Ms. Miller stated there are many counties out there who take a long time to update their Solid Waste Plans.
- Chairman Taylor asked DWMC Neese how this group differs from the Solid Waste Council.
- DWMC Neese stated the SWC is a group of five (5) members that meets quarterly and discusses everything that is going on with the Department of Waste Management (DWM) as a whole. She explained they are a sounding board for the DWM and a checks and balance system for the department.
- Member Coss asked when the last amendment to the Solid Waste Plan took place.
- Ms. Miller stated there have not been any amendments since the October 2000 update to the Solid Waste Plan.

5. ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC COMMENT CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED PRIOR TO APRIL 30, 2015 PUBLIC HEARING:

motion was made by Member Spitzley, supported by Member Lancour to approve the acceptance of Public Comment Correspondence Received Prior to Public Hearing and placed on file. Motion carried.

The following Public Comments were received prior to the Public Hearing via email or letter form:

Jane Dailey, 1726 Autumn Lane, Lansing, MI 48912:

- I live in the Grosebeck neighborhood. It is located at the intersection of 127 and Lake Lansing Road.
- This morning as I went out to get the morning paper, yet again, the air was foul with the methane released by Granger.
- Its typical with temperature changes, which are obviously very common in Michigan. It has become WORSE over the 5 years (Ive lived here 25)
- I like Granger as a rule. I don't have roadside pickup for recycle (Im in Lansing Township) so I take my items to their recycle bins on Wood street. Their work man are nice, the service is good and price seems reasonable.
- Ive called Granger and complained about the smell, they are nice but Im talking to some young person who is basically PR.
- Last year I SW the Clean air folks more than a couple times.
- Granger needs to get control of this smell before they expand their service.
- They already take trash from 21 other counties, why does a Lansing URBAN AREA have to be the storage point?
- If you lived here, which is about 1.5 miles from the site, and smelled this routinely, you'd understand
- Let them find somewhere away from HOMES to generate this stench.

Gerald H. De Voss, 9357 W. Grand River Highway, Grand Ledge, MI 48837

- This email is in regards to the proposed expansion of service area for Granger Landfills. I've been a neighbor of the Granger Grand River Landfill for close to 30 years. They are good neighbors and I believe they run a good landfill with the safety of the area in mind.
- Having said the above, I'm opposed to further expansion of their service area. I think Clinton County had borne more than it's share of being a landfill for Mid-Michigan area. I'm happy to hear that their business has declined given the recycling efforts. Perhaps, they need to consider moving their efforts more towards that area.
- Thanks for the opportunity to provide comments.

Tim Daman, Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce

- In the April 26 edition of the Lansing State Journal I noticed an article about the request Granger made to add four counties to their service area. I would like to encourage your support of this request.
- The greater Lansing region benefits from the landfill, recycling and renewable energy resources responsibly owned and operated by Granger. The Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce supports businesses like Granger that are growing, investing and providing job opportunities in the Greater Lansing region.
- Granger should have the opportunity to create more family sustained jobs. They should have the opportunity to increase the amount of renewable energy available to businesses and residents served by the Lansing Board of Water and Light. Marketing and expanding their services to new areas creates these opportunities.
- A landfill, while not a popular land use, should be recognized as a regional resource. Thank you for your consideration.

Graham Filler, 12130 Airport Road, Dewitt, MI 48820:

- My name is Graham Filler, I am an attorney in Lansing with residence in Watertown Township. I am writing in support of Granger being allowed to provide service in multiple new counties and bring back waste to Clinton County. The new amendment will truly add no further burden on the citizens of Clinton County.
- No one enjoys landfills, but they are necessary for our state. Granger operates these landfills in a transparent manner and dealt effectively with an odor issue last year. Granger is a good community actor in the Clinton County area, sponsoring local events and giving back to the community. Their economic impact is a tremendous blessing: on top of Granger paying property taxes, they also employ numerous Granger employees living with their families in Clinton County.
- Thank you for your time. I know the devastating impact of businesses leaving Clinton County (see Lear Corp in Elsie) and I want to ensure our major employers feel welcome to do business in Clinton County.

Thomas Clay Hardenbergh, 4136 Hamlet Cove, Bath, MI 48808:

- Granger is a good company and a benefit to the community. Proper waste disposal is a must. However, I have two concerns about allowing the company to handle additional waste from four other counties.

- Clean air is uppermost. The stench from the landfill is awful. The wind carries it far from the landfill into residential neighborhoods, shopping centers, and parks. Doesn't the Clean Air Act have a provision about the responsibility of a company to control its odor emissions? In any case, it makes Granger a very bad neighbor at times. I think the expansion of Granger's operations should be made contingent on controlling its obnoxious odors.
- Second is concern about the waste-hauling trucks' impact on road surfaces and safety. The wear and tear on road surfaces caused by these heavy trucks is very evident. They arrive and leave in all directions using whatever road they want to. Fortunately, the roads adjacent to the landfill appear to have been built to withstand their weight. Wood Street and State Road are in good condition now. However, I am concerned that an increase in the number of trucks on them and connecting roads will decrease their life-span. I think the Clinton and Ingham County road commissions (or agency responsible) should be required to prepare an estimate of the increased cost to keep these roads in good condition to withstand the increased truck traffic. I think an entrance to the landfill from BR-127, either on Coleman Road or a new road south of Granger Meadows Lane should be considered. It should be a priority to minimize the increase in the number of trucks going to and from the landfill on Lake Lansing Rd, State Rd, and Wood Street.
- Granger landfill isn't far outside of the nearby communities anymore. The communities have grown out to meet it and are continuing to do so. Granger's desire to improve its bottom-line is commendable, but government must tell them there is a cost to do it. The quality of life in Lansing, East Lansing, Lansing Township, and DeWitt Township is very important to me. Business and government (i.e., we citizens) must pay the cost of maintaining it.

Leroy Harvey, 4440 DeCamp, Holt, MI 48842:

- Given the broad multi-partisan support for waste reduction and recycling in Michigan, I would suggest that any expansion of the landfill (usage, tonnage, area served, etc.) be contingent on expansion in recycling and related waste reduction efforts.
- To thoughtfully and creatively address this opportunity, I would strongly recommend a study of similar agreements in other parts of the U.S. that tie permits and landfill usage to sustainability goals set by the community. An example would be to require a minimum 20% recycling (by volume or weight) of any materials that would otherwise be landfilled (20% diversion rate). Thank you for considering these suggestions

Terry Link, 8767 Price Road, Laingsburg, MI 48848:

- Due to previous business commitments in Ann Arbor on Thursday afternoon, I will not be able to attend the hearing Thursday evening. Of course the committee has heard some of my concerns before some of which were reworked in the City Pulse column from two weeks ago. I believe that column gets at the essence of the decision points for the committee and commissioners. I would ask that the column be entered into the public record along with this note.
- Let me just synthesize a couple of points that underlie my concerns and that I would wish the decision makers – both the solid waste committee and the commissioners would consider.
- There are more options other than the one being offered by Granger. Not to explore them or search for additional ones is a disservice to the community they are representing.
- The object for the public good is to reduce waste. Granger or any landfill operator should not be punished because of it. Realignment policies that support waste reduction from cradle to grave is essential for government to fulfill its obligation to the public good.
- I would be glad to be part of group that attempts to find a solution that is in the public interest.

Terry Link, letter to the editor in City Pulse column:

- The long haul - Granger plan for transporting waste hurts the public good by Terry Link
- Recently Granger III & Associates, which run the Wood Street landfill, has requested Clinton County to amend the county's solid waste plan. The proposed amendment would allow fGranger to collect and haul refuse from additional counties — Clare, Mecosta, Lenawee, and Hillsdale — even further away from their existing approved collection territory.
- This is certainly reasonable from the private interest perspective of the Granger business. It makes money from the hauling and the landfilling of the refuse. But I would remind the decision-makers in this process that county government should reflect the public good first and private gain only secondarily.
- In this case the request to move more trash a greater distance (the additional counties as measured from their county seats range from 70 to 120 miles from the landfill) is not in the public interest, clearly not environmentally. The discussion, especially given the growing concern from the scientific community of the threats from climate disruption and ecological unraveling, should follow the old Hippocratic maxim, "First, do no harm."
- This proposal harms the public good in several ways. By moving waste farther and farther from its point of origin, we unnecessarily add more greenhouse gases from the trucks to the already overburdened atmosphere. In addition, as we all know, the mantra of responsible solid waste is "reduce, reuse, recycle." There is nothing in this proposal that addresses or

attempts to improve any of those priorities of that well established practice. As such, it does not reduce waste but simply adds environmental burdens.

- But I like to go back to the responsibility of governmental bodies to protect, preserve and enhance the public good. The Granger company has been a reasonably good local steward of our landfill operation for more than 40 years. We need a landfill to safely dispose of unusable or unrecyclable materials while protecting our groundwater, atmosphere and land. The economic model on which many businesses and supportive policies are constructed is one of growth. In this case, the more refuse Granger can collect, haul, and bury, the better their economic bottom line. The now soon-to-be-retired old myth of MORE is BETTER, or unlimited economic growth (note the similarity to cancer cells), doesn't work anymore, and certainly not in terms of solid waste. By asking our community members to reduce, reuse and recycle, we're asking them to shrink waste hauling. Thus Granger wisely got involved in recycling and composting efforts and more recently with capturing the methane from the landfill for energy use.
- But it would seem from this proposal that Granger has hit the wall. Its only proposal is to simply ignore the solid waste trilogy as a way out. I believe it falls upon county officials to assist Granger, as a company with local roots and in good standing, by exploring other remedies to their "wall" that are more in line with the public good — i.e., reducing, reusing, and recycling. As a private citizen, I see no evidence that this tact has been explored with any sincere due diligence by either of the parties. The lack of imagination and collaboration to create something better is certainly disappointing to me, both as a former county commissioner and as someone with more than a little knowledge about solid waste and environmental issues.
- On a finite planet with a growing population, the simple math tells us we must reduce waste, including greenhouse gases. Doing so will require a different set of incentives if the work must bring some entities profit. Government officials are overdue in reviewing the rules of the game. There is plenty of room for creativity in finding solutions. Until some alternatives are offered, this proposal should be tabled and players should take this opportunity to explore — together with a committee of citizens, government officials, and Granger — possible alternatives which might benefit us all and the children and grandchildren we leave behind.

Gayle Miller, 9395 Taft Road, Ovid, MI 48866:

- My name is Gayle Miller. For eleven years, from 1990 to 2001, I worked for the Clinton County Department of Waste Management as Assistant and then Acting Solid Waste Management Coordinator. I have over 25 years of experience in solid waste and environmental policy making. I live in Ovid Township and now run my own small business. I'm writing because of my serious concern over Granger's request to expand their service territory.
- You will soon be deliberating Granger's request to modify the Clinton County Solid Waste Plan to add four more counties to the 20 counties that can already send trash to Clinton County for disposal. I urge you to read this letter and attached document and seriously consider the points I raise as you make this decision.
- Granger is a good company, and I believe that Granger is well suited to operate the two landfills that exist in Clinton County. Granger will surely profit from expanding their service territory. However, I believe that certain changes must be made to the Solid Waste Plan to protect Clinton County citizens before Granger's request is approved.
- In the following pages I lay out an argument for increasing the Solid Waste User Fee that Granger collects from its customers, and for modifications to the Solid Waste Plan that should be made before the County grants an expansion.
- Granger will, no doubt, oppose these recommendations. Their executives will claim that raising the User Fee will force them to raise their prices and that we, as customers, will pay more. But this is not necessarily the case. There are numerous scenarios possible that would benefit and protect Clinton County's interests, improve recycling and waste reduction in other areas of the state, and allow Granger to profit - without increasing costs to Clinton County residents.
- I put these issues to you as a former employee of the County, and as a Clinton County resident, business owner and taxpayer. Thank you for your consideration and thoughtful deliberation of this matter. I'd be happy to answer any questions you may have, and am available by phone or email. I am also available to attend meetings if required.

Gayle Miller - Testimony handed out at Public Hearing:

- Local landfill owner Granger is requesting approval from Clinton County to add Clare, Hillsdale, Lenawee and Mecosta counties to the 20 counties already allowed to send trash to Granger's two Clinton County landfills for disposal. If approved, Granger could import an unlimited amount of waste from these additional four counties. Granger claims they need to increase their service territory to remain competitive.
- While it is in the interest of Clinton County government to do what they can to help specific local companies remain profitable, it is even more essential for County government to protect the interests of Clinton County residents, and the thousands of other businesses located here. It should be Clinton County's primary obligation to ensure that landfill space remains available for Clinton County's waste as economically as possible, for as long as possible. Allowing more counties to use Granger's landfill space will inevitably mean that space for our own waste will run out sooner.

- The addition of these counties requires an amendment of the County's Solid Waste Plan. Modifications to the Plan are time consuming and expensive and any changes should be considered permanent. The County Solid Waste Plan was first developed prior to 1990 – and has been modified very rarely since then. In conjunction with Granger's request, the County Solid Waste Plan should be updated now. It is possible that this is the only opportunity Clinton County will have to modernize its Solid Waste Plan for the next 20 years.
- Granger's request is not as simple as deciding whether or not they should be allowed to expand their service territory. It is a much more complex question of the improvements the County should adopt in its Plan in exchange for allowing Granger to expand. By striking the right balance, Granger can expand while meeting the needs and protecting the interests of Clinton County residents and businesses for the long term.
- Below are changes to the Solid Waste Plan that I believe are essential and should be made before Granger is allowed to expand.
- Increase the Landfill User Fee
- In 1989, Clinton County adopted its first Solid Waste Management Plan which requires all haulers to collect a \$0.25/cubic yard User Fee from customers, to be paid to the County for trash disposed of in Clinton County. The User Fee helps compensate the County for the unpleasant impacts of being "host" to two landfills. For more than 25 years this fee has helped implement local recycling programs, paid for special disposal programs, and financed critical waste reduction and environmental education programs in Clinton County.
- But inflation has eaten away at the User Fee so that it is now worth about \$.11 (less than half) compared to when it was first established. Because of this reduced funding, the Department of Waste Management has cut staffing by a third; scaled back education programs to help reduce waste; and popular waste reduction programs themselves (such as the Clean Community Events) are at risk - all to the detriment of Clinton County residents and businesses.
- The Department of Waste Management's fund balance is also shrinking. Due to an inadequate operating budget, the department will likely have to dip into the Fund Balance to cover programming costs in 2015. The fund balance was also reduced when approximately \$200,000 was taken to buy parkland a few years ago – a use I believe is inconsistent with the original intent of the User Fee's creation.
- With an adequate User Fee in place, the Clinton County Department of Waste Management can ramp back up to a fully funded department and an effective service provider.
- Recommendation: Modify the Solid Waste Plan to increase the User Fee to \$0.75/cubic yard, with annual inflationary adjustment. The Plan should also explicitly specify that User Fee funds are to be used only for activities associated with reducing and managing waste. The Planning Committee could also consider reducing the User Fee charged to Clinton County residents while increasing the User Fee charged to customers of other counties. In any case, the shrinking budget of the Department of Waste Management should not be allowed to continue.
- Establish Adequate Fund Balance & Emergency Fund
- Having a local landfill is both a blessing and a curse. Clinton County clearly benefits from the jobs and economic activity of the landfill business. We benefit by having a local place to dispose of our waste. And, as a community-minded company, Granger gives charitably and is involved in many aspects of Clinton County community life. But unlike most other businesses, landfills impose unique impacts on the communities where they exist.
- As a "host county" of two landfills, Clinton County faces real risks, tangible and intangible costs, and unpleasant side-effects of these operations. Granger's landfills are both well run and "state-of-the-art." But this does not mean that they don't have impacts and costs – which exist now (such as odors) and in the future (such as leaks).
- Odor complaints are common with any landfill operation. While Granger usually does a fairly good job with odor management, trash smells bad – that's a fact. Granger has been working for months to try and improve operations in order to control the odors. This will be a battle they will continue to fight for as long as the landfills are in operation. Simply put, two entire regions of Clinton County are likely to smell bad (sometimes it's worse and sometimes better) for decades to come.
- The aquifer that provides the water that all of us in Clinton County drink is in close proximity to millions of tons of buried waste in Granger's two landfills. Should Granger's landfill liners leak, their water filtration system malfunction, or some other natural disaster occurs that compromises the landfills' integrity and their protection systems, our water is at risk.
- Traffic, dust and blowing trash are also concerns to nearby residents of the landfills. Property values near the landfill are likely lower. No-one spends top dollar for a house within the odor footprint of a landfill.
- Finally, while hopefully rare, major disasters do occur. Granger surely has prevention and mitigation plans in place. But whether it's a tornado, a rare earthquake, or a landfill fire, Clinton County residents face issues and dangers that communities without landfills do not have to worry about.
- The Department of Waste Management's Fund Balance is vastly inadequate to help county residents deal with any of the above scenarios if Granger can't. If, for example, Granger had a catastrophic failure in their wastewater treatment system and then went bankrupt, how much money would Clinton County need to purchase bottled water for DeWitt and Watertown Township residents indefinitely? If Granger had a bad landfill fire like the ones in Hamilton or Stark Counties in Ohio, would enough

money be available to help nearby residents relocate? What would be the cost in air pollution to nearby neighbors? Landfill fires are common – according to Waste Management World there are about 8,300 landfill fires in the US per year. They can burn for a very long time.

- Recommendation: Modify the Solid Waste Plan to create a comfortable fund balance that would be available to assist County residents in case of a landfill disaster. A fund of this sort would be raised by the increased User Fee. The fund balance should be used only for projects directly related to waste reduction and recycling in Clinton County. The emergency fund should be reserved for use only in the case of an emergency.
- Require Meaningful Reciprocal Agreements
- The space available in a landfill development is finite. Vertical and horizontal expansions are possible, but the two Clinton County landfills are ultimately restricted by developed property surrounding the landfills. Significant expansions to these landfills will be expensive, lengthy and controversial.
- According to the current Solid Waste Plan, counties sending their trash to Clinton County have agreed to reciprocate in the future – to take our trash if and when they ever site a landfill in their counties. Yet, according to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, none of the four counties under consideration are planning to build landfills. It is extremely unlikely that they will ever build landfills.
- If Granger’s request is granted, Clinton County will give up irreplaceable landfill space to counties that have no real obligation to reciprocate when the time comes. Only counties that have existing landfills or those that are in the process of building or expanding a landfill should be allowed to send waste to Clinton County.
- Recommendation: Modify the Solid Waste Plan to ensure that real landfill space is available for Clinton County residents when that need arises. Counties that do not have a landfill now should not be allowed to send waste to Clinton County. The County should take a very long-term view of this issue – 50-75 years at least.
- Require Exporting Counties to Reduce Their Waste
- Clinton County has very good waste reduction and recycling programs available to residents. Yet some of the counties that send their waste to Clinton County do nothing to reduce waste. Clinton County works hard to reduce waste and recycle specifically to extend the life of our existing landfill space and reduce the amount of harmful chemicals buried there. Why would we allow other counties to send their waste here if they’ve done NOTHING to reduce their own waste?
- As documented on Governor Snyder’s Environmental Dashboard, of the four counties Granger wants to add to their service territory, only Clare County has even the most basic waste reduction and recycling services available. Hillsdale, Lenawee and Mecosta Counties have little available to help their residents reduce waste.
- Available landfill space is at a premium. The DEQ recently reported that Michigan landfills have approximately 26 years of capacity available before they have to start expanding existing landfills or building new ones, which will be extraordinarily expensive.
- Recommendation: Modify the Solid Waste Plan to allow only those counties that have comprehensive and convenient waste reduction and recycling programs in place to send their waste to Clinton County landfills.
- Require Granger to help Customers Reduce Waste
- There are many ways to encourage people to participate in recycling, but “Pay As You Throw” (PAYT) programs are one of the most effective. Ideally, PAYT programs should be the norm, rather than the exception – the more you throw away, the more you pay. However, most of today’s Cart/Container programs fail to reward waste reduction, composting and recycling. One or two cart sizes are generally available and customers can squeeze as much as they want into each container without paying any more.
- Granger currently offers an optional PAYT service by allowing residents to pay “by the bag” for their trash disposal. This is a very good deal for those of us who aggressively reduce our waste. But there is limited participation, primarily because it isn’t promoted. The County should require Granger to offer and aggressively promote a PAYT trash collection option to customers in Clinton County and all counties that send their waste to Clinton County.
- In addition, Granger should offer convenient recycling services to their out-of-county customers. For example, if Lenawee County doesn’t have convenient recycling programs for their residents, Granger could only service their trash customers if they also provide free or low-cost drop-off or curbside recycling services. Granger should not be allowed to cherry pick profitable trash contracts without also offering recycling services.
- Recommendation: Modify the Solid Waste Plan to require Granger to offer and aggressively promote PAYT programs to all customers, coupled with free or low-cost recycling services to customers that don’t otherwise have access to effective waste reduction programs.
- Conclusion
- Environmentally, it makes little sense to transport waste here from distant counties when closer landfills are available. The transport of waste should be avoided completely if at all possible. However, given the fact that the County is likely to approve Granger’s request anyway, it is in the County’s best interests to update the Solid Waste Plan as recommended above.

- Granger is a good company and we are lucky to have them operating the landfills in Clinton County. It is also a very profitable company. Granger executives will not like these recommendations. However, Clinton County officials must look beyond what Granger wants for the short term and consider what is best for Clinton County citizens in the long term.
- In summary, the Solid Waste Planning Committee, the Solid Waste Council and the County Board of Commissioners should amend the Solid Waste Plan to:
- Increase the User Fee established in 1989 from \$0.25/CY to \$0.75/CY.
- Create an adequate fund balance and emergency fund using the User Fee.
- Require meaningful reciprocal agreements with counties sending their waste to Clinton County.
- Require counties that send their waste to Clinton County landfills to have adequate waste reduction programs of their own.
- Require Granger to offer waste reduction programs such as Pay-As-You-Throw and curbside recycling services to customers in counties whose waste they want to dispose of in Clinton County.
- Finally, Granger's request should open the door to further and more deliberate discussions about how our county -- and counties Granger wishes to operate in -- can move forward toward zero waste. Endless scenarios are possible that would allow Granger to get what it wants while protecting the interests of Clinton County -- and ultimately benefiting the environment in every county where Granger operates

Paul Opsommer, 315 East Main Street, Dewitt, MI 48820:

- Thank you for your service to our county and your consideration of the request from Granger to add four counties to the solid waste plan. I am writing to encourage your support of the proposed amendment.
- We are fortunate to have this responsible, family-owned company operating in our county. Granger provides jobs for residents of the greater region, environmental stewardship with their recycling and renewable energy programs and corporate philanthropy that benefits numerous charitable organizations. I would like to continue to see Granger prosper as their success benefits our county and the entire region.
- I have had the opportunity to visit and tour the Granger facilities on a number of occasions. They operate in a manner that exceeds regulatory requirements. They have high safety standards. They have demonstrated, numerous times, their commitment to serving the interests of the community and minimizing nuisance from a type of operation that can often be a concern.

Ive Pfaff, 12167 Airport Road, Dewitt, MI 48820:

- Each county or specific area should be responsible for the waste created there. This could be an incentive for waste reduction. Recycling is an inefficient, and in the whole, uneconomical, 'feel good' system. The entire waste stream has increased greatly over the years. There is currently no incentive to reduce waste. Perhaps with a 'if you make it, you handle it' system, changes would be made.
- My opinion, don't approve the changes Granger is requesting.

Stephen Serkaian, Executive Director, Lansing Board of Water & Light:

- In 2008, the Lansing Board of Water & Light (BWL) partnered with Granger to bring renewable energy to residents in the greater Lansing area. As trash deposited in the Granger Clinton County landfills decomposes it produces landfill gas. Engine generators at the Granger Wood Road Generating Station in Lansing produce renewable energy from landfill gas for the BWL. The station has seven engines with the capacity to generate enough power for about 10,000 homes in the BWL service territory. BWL also receives landfill-generated renewable energy from the Granger Grand River Generating Station in Grand Ledge. Combined, the stations can produce enough power for nearly 14,000 homes.
- Through this partnership, both the BWL and Granger have helped to reduce emissions of methane and decrease the need to generate energy from fossil fuels. In addition, the partnership has helped to create jobs associated with the design, construction and operation of energy recovery systems.
- As you consider the request by Granger to add to their service territory we hope you will keep these valuable renewable energy benefits in mind. Support for this request means more renewable energy and more jobs in the mid-Michigan region.

David Stewart, 12595 Wood Road, Dewitt, MI 48820:

- (see Attachment)

Tony Webster, 13063 Hide Away Lane, Dewitt, MI 48820:

- I am not in favor of granting Granger the right to haul trash into our area from four additional counties. Please do not approve the request. Thank you.

Chairman Taylor stated the Public Hearing has closed, however, he will allow the public a quick opportunity to make any last comments or if anyone has questions at this time limit them to 1 ½ minutes.

Bettina Brander, 1537 Valley View, Lansing, MI 48906:

- Ms. Brander asked if this information and minutes will be on the Clinton County's website and DWMC Neese gave her the following information www.Clinton-County.org and it will be placed under the Department of Waste Management. Ms. Brander felt if this Public Hearing was advertised better, there would have been a larger crowd in attendance this evening.
- DWMC Neese advised her that this was posted on the Clinton County website and Facebook page, Lansing State Journal, Dewitt/Bath Review, and Clinton County News.

Chairman Taylor stated that the SWMP Commission has met all of the requirements as far as public notices in the newspaper as well as an article.

Gayle Miller, 9395 Taft Road, Ovid, MI 48866:

- Ms. Miller recommended that the SWMP Committee should use the Plan Amendment process as a negotiating process. She stated the only way that the SWMP Committee will be able to accomplish any major update to the Solid Waste Management Plan, and Ms. Miller stated that Granger does not like the idea of an increase in their user fee, is to withhold the 4 county expansion until the SWMP gets to a point where you can use it as a bargaining chip. Ms. Miller's recommendation is not to do it as a 2 part amendment but as one package as this 2 part amendment will also drive the local municipalities crazy.

Jane Dailey, 17206 Autumn Lane, Lansing, MI (Lansing Township):

- Ms. Dailey asked if there will be another public avenue for people to comment on this process and asked what other avenues she can go to regarding the air quality.
- DWMC Neese informed Ms. Dailey that Lansing Township has been included in all correspondence regarding this Plan Update and she can contact them with any questions or concerns. The Department of Environmental Quality can also be contacted regarding the air quality.

Chairman Taylor stated the next agenda item is to decide the next meeting. He stated, in addition, there are multiple opportunities for the public to speak. Individuals are encouraged to speak at the County Finance & Personnel meeting and Board of Commissioner's meeting.

Christina Miller also stated that citizens can go to the local municipality meetings where this will be voted on by local boards.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

No other business.

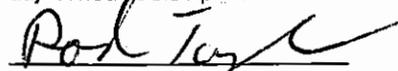
7. NEXT MEETING DATE

Chairman Taylor stated that the next meeting date is scheduled for Thursday, May 7th, however there are several board members unable to attend that Board meeting. That being the case, he asked if the week of May 11th – 15th would be available for all SWMP Commission members. He also stated there were a couple of comments regarding the time of the today's meeting being difficult to attend. DWMC stated that the next meeting may need to be held in the First Floor conference room due to the Board of Commissioner's Room being booked that night. She will post all of this information on the County Website as well as the County Facebook page. It will also be advertised in the Lansing State Journal, Clinton County News & Dewitt/Bath Review.

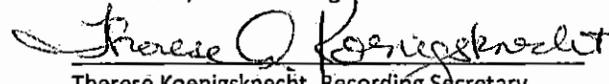
A motion was made by Member Lancour, supported by Member Fair to set the next meeting for Thursday, May 15th @ 6:00 pm. Motion carried.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, **it was moved by Member Fair, supported by Member Coss adjourn. Motion carried.** The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.


Rod Taylor, Chairman


Kate Neese, Waste Management Coordinator


Theresé Koenigsnecht, Recording Secretary

ATTACHMENT

Clinton County Dept of waste

Re Granger Expansion

The question here is NOT if Granger has room for more waste, But the environment impact. The trucks that are very heavy compacted will only cause excessive congestion with traffic

The traffic on wood rd is a ~~big~~ Big Problem. Unless Restricted they will take the closest Route Wood Rd.

The Impact Study should be Done By the State.

Any decision should be done with the consent by wood rd home owners. Check out the stopping distance. The State web ~~site~~ Site says with large trucks the Reaction time is 75 feet and stopping distance is over 200 ft at 55 mph.

Was it intentional that the only notice to the public was 4-days?

David Stewart
12595 wood rd
Dewitt, mi 517-505-0266

Further More. Granger should not
of expanded the capacity for fill
if there slow down is real.

Four Days Notice and holding
the Meeting when Most people are leaving
work and can't attend is another factor
of Not informing the Public.

This is not in the Best interest of the Public

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Police Chief Russel Hand Deliver

Supervisor Rucker Galardi Hand Deliver

Township Mgr Rod Taylor Hand Deliver

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CLINTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE (SWMPC) HELD THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2015, AT THE CLINTON COUNTY COURT HOUSE, 100 EAST STATE STREET, ST. JOHNS, MICHIGAN 48879

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dan Coss, Denise Donahue, Tim Fair, Anne Hill, John Lancour, Tim Machowicz, Tonia Olson, Julie Powers, Kurt Ray, Roger Simon, Walt Sorg, Christine Spitzley, Rodney Taylor and Lori Welch

MEMBERS ABSENT: All present

STAFF PRESENT: Kate Neese, Chris Hewitt and Therese Koenigsknecht

GUESTS: No guests

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Chairman Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

Chairman asked to add 2a Public Comment at the beginning of the meeting and 7a Public Comment on the end. *A motion was made by Member Fair, supported by Member Powers to approve the agenda with amendments as requested. Motion carried.*

2A. PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public comment.

3. APPROVAL OF PER DIEM VOUCHERS

A motion was made by Member Machowicz, supported by Member Coss to approve payment of the Per Diem Vouchers. Motion carried.

4. APPROVAL OF JANUARY 22, 2015 MEETING MINUTES & APRIL 30, 2015 PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES:

A motion was made by Member Fair, supported by Member Coss to approve the minutes from the January 22, 2015 and April 30, 2015 meetings. Motion carried. Chairman Taylor asked for comments. Member Sorg asked if the minutes could reflect that he was in attendance (via telephone) for the April 30, 2015 Public Hearing.

5. REVIEW PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman Taylor called for questions on the public comments that were received at the Public Hearing and stated if not he felt it would be efficient to move into the reviewing amendment language section and talk about comments that were received.

6. REVIEW AMENDMENT LANGUAGE

Chairman Taylor asked DWMC Neese to recap what the committee's purpose is; what the specific action is and talk about the resolution as a discussion item.

DWMC Neese explained that tonight the SWMP Committee is going to review the language for the proposed Plan Amendment, which is in the original memo that was shared in February. She stated that originally in January she sent out a draft resolution, however, the DEQ has since asked her to send it in memo form. She explained that the committee's job is to review the request; language and agree on a draft document, which is basically the final version of the document. At that time if agreed by the SWMPC, it will go forward to the Board of Commissioners (BOC), who will review the request and the draft Plan Amendment and will take a vote on it. If they vote yes, it will go to the municipalities for their review and vote. If they vote no, it will come back to the SWMPC for a revision. If the BOC votes no, they have to give their list of reasons.

DWMC Neese also stated the SWMPC has two options. They can state they are finished and not go further with the amendment or agree to a Draft Plan Amendment; agree to the language in it and DWMC Neese will put into Resolution to be presented to the BOC for their review and vote. Chairman Taylor asked if all SWMPC members had a copy of the proposed resolution. DWMC Neese stated she also attempted to contact Christina Miller from DEQ, regarding questions pertaining to other county plans that had recycling language in the reciprocity section of their Plan and was unsuccessful in reaching her.

Chairman Taylor called for a motion. *A motion was made by Member Fair, supported by Member Lancour to review and consider the memo and proposed language so the committee could move into discussion. Motion carried.*

- Member Lancour questioned the language and if it made sense to state the annual cap is not changing. DWMC Neese stated it is already in the language and it hasn't changed. Chairman Taylor clarified that section is simply replacing what's already there but adding the additional counties.
- Member Powers asked if this memo, as currently written, does nothing more than add the additional counties as requested and if it doesn't, add any of the suggestions, recommendations or public comments that were heard at the public hearing. She also asked if it changes the fees that were set in 1989 and have not been changed since that time.
- Member Ray asked if changes were only to Sections 5.5 and 5.6.
- Chairman Taylor asked DWMC Neese when the BOC established the SMWPC, did they provide any direction to the Committee, in terms of what their charge was. DWMC Neese stated it was to move forward with this specific amendment. Member Olson read from the January 28, 2014 BOC minutes that the Board recommended the approval of the reopening of the Solid Waste Management Plan for the sole purpose of reviewing an export/import agreements for the counties of Clare, Hillsdale, Lenawee and Mecosta and it was unanimously approved.
- DWMC Neese stated at the Public Hearing there was discussion about adding additional amendments/changes to the Plan and after having conversations with County Administrator Wood, she feels there is little to no support from the BOC to do any additional amendments at this time. Part of that is because the state is currently reviewing PA 115 in hopes of updating and revamping the program. This could mean there may be some changes as early as next year.
- Member Lancour stated likewise with recycling where the Governor is also initiating a new plan. Member Welch asked DWMC Neese if what she said also includes any language pertaining to recycling and waste reduction. DWMC Neese stated that language could be included in that section, however, it wouldn't be for just the 4 counties. Member Olson stated that each of those counties would have to amend their plans, which is not likely, unless you ask them to and pay them to do it.
- Member Coss stated the proposed legislation is to revamp solid waste management plan review processes to make them more regular and that would potentially cause the existing plan to be looked at and go through some sort of an update. DWMC Neese agreed and said it could create a state mandate at which point, Clinton County could redo the entire plan. Ms. Neese would prefer to do this with everything going on at the state level, however, it is up to the SWMPC to decide.
- Member Coss asked if any amendments outside of these sections would start the process over again and DWMC Neese stated it would.
- Member Powers asked at the time the request was made by the BOC, were they specifically apprised that tipping fees and other pieces of the Plan had not been amended since 1989 and wanted to be clear of what the BOC was informed of when they made the charge to the SWMPC. She also remarked that the state standard is five years. Discussion followed among the SWMPC members regarding the tipping fees and DWMC Neese stated the BOC is aware that it's been 15 years since the last update has taken place and she regularly puts this in the DWM's budget. Member Olson stated that the state standard is five years but it is not required.

Chairman Taylor asked for additional discussion on the language proposal and called for a vote to forward the proposed amendment changes to the Solid Waste Plan to include the addition of the four (4) additional counties. YEAS: Dan Coss, Denise Donahue, Tim Fair, Anne Hill, John Lancour, Tim Machowicz, Tonla Olson, Roger Simon, Walt Sorg, Christine Spitzley, Rodney Taylor and Lori Welch NAYS: Julie Powers & Kurt Ray. Motion carried.

7. OTHER BUSINESS:

- Member Sorg stated there was testimony and significant concern regarding increased efforts on recycling and reduction and asked members for ideas on how to send the message to the BOC and the other counties. There was discussion and several members felt this is coming from the state level.

- Member Olson stated she is assigned to the Governor's Recycling Council and she is seeing good leadership on the issue of recycling, waste reduction, and sustainability.
- Member Machowicz suggested that in order for Clinton County to move forward, perhaps an unpaid advisory committee could be established that could support this recycling effort solely for this county.
- Member Taylor agreed that the group did receive testimony and it would be appropriate to make a recommendation for the County to potentially reevaluate the existing Plan and see if there's a broader opportunity for analysis. He also stated that as a planning group, this commission could make this recommendation to the County BOC and ultimately it is up to them to make that decision.
- Member Ray stated he supports this philosophy and that he voted no on the language proposal not because of objections to any of these 4 (four) counties but the concern being volume without addressing issues such as recycling.
- Member Machowicz clarified that this advisory committee would not be limited by just amending the Solid Waste Management Plan, however, there could be positive assistance to county government and local businesses to provide recycling and educational resources
- Member Lancour stated he feels Clinton County does a good job with the Department of Waste Management and stated with the Governor's committee this is about studying markets and what it takes to pull it out of the waste stream and find viable markets for this.
- Member Fair stated that he feels recycling is a personal choice and if recycling options are provided; more people do it. He also remarked on what took place at the Public Hearing that he rarely smells Granger as was remarked by many in attendance and stated that Granger is a good business partner to its' neighbors. He doesn't see the conflict.
- Member Ray stated he doesn't dispute that it's a personal choice to recycle but also a good business choice and encourages looking at more recycling options.
- Member Sorg stated that Granger is not the issue but the fact that you're working with many counties that are all over the ballpark contributing to this landfill that are not being as responsible as Clinton County, Lansing, MSU or Granger.
- Member Welch asked what the SWMP Commission could do as a group and asked to move forward with language in the Resolution that would suggest some kind of action at the Clinton County level. Member Welch also remarked now is the time to add any other language.
- Chairman Taylor clarified that the resolution voted on in the past; the SWMPC could make a separate motion in terms of a recommendation back to the BOC.
- Member Olson stated the Questions & Answers document answers addresses Member Sorg's concern about recycling in the other communities.
- Member Fair stated he doesn't see how it is Clinton County's responsibility to make other counties be more responsible and recycle. He agrees with encouraging but not with enforcing recycling. Member Sorg pointed out that Clinton County has to then accept their trash that they don't recycle.
- Member Welch stated that anytime you are involved in a solid waste planning committee of any kind and have an open plan, she would try to encourage recycling.
- Member Lancour stated all of these programs are subsidized and he feels it won't happen by itself as a business entity; it can't sustain as it has to be funded. He is unsure if it's this committee's ability to determine how the monies are going to come in (funding), what programs and debating on how to spend it.
- Member Machowicz stated the committee is talking two (2) issues and they should be separate. One is the mandate and funding part of it and the other is providing support to the Department of Waste Management to assist them with recycling efforts. He attended the Governor's Summit on Recycling and stated one of the gaps is access to recycling; the DWM could provide greater access to help the community to recycle.
- Chairman Taylor stated the SWMPC is debating solutions but suggested the Committee forward this to the BOC and encourage them to re-evaluate the existing Plan.
- There was additional discussion among the SWMPC regarding the advisory/citizen council that could research and study the issues so when a plan amendment is sought, there are ideas of what needs to be accomplished.
- Member Olson asked if this is something the Solid Waste Management Council (SWC) could lead and DWMC Neese stated they could as they meet quarterly and have representation from a broad area.

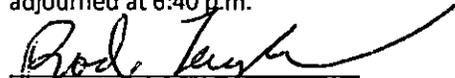
- Member Sorg asked if a clear message could be sent to the people who testified at the Public Hearing and is unclear on how the SWMPC will do this. Member Spitzley stated there is a lot going on with the state that is not being disseminated beyond industry professionals and stated it may be worth putting together regional dialogue to share this with all of the county commissioners at this point. Member Fair agreed with this suggestion.
- Member Donahue suggested if Members Welch & Machowicz could create a resolution asking the BOC to consider an adhoc task committee to the standing SWC. She also remarked that when she testifies publicly, she doesn't expect a letter in return unless the SWMPC would supply a letter to the editor to citizens. She also noted the SWMPC did what they were asked to do and to put this back in the BOC's hands.

Member Welch made the motion, supported by Member Powers to recommend to the Clinton County Board of Commission to consider forming a Citizens Advisory Committee in conjunction with the Clinton County Solid Waste Council to explore recycling, waste reduction, user fees and other issues that the SWMP Committee was not specifically charged with dealing directly. YEAS: Dan Coss, Denise Donohue, Tim Fair, Anne Hill, John Lancour, Tim Machowicz, Tonia Olson, Julie Powers, Kurt Ray, Walt Sorg, Christine Spitzley, Rodney Taylor and Lori Welch NAYS: Roger Simon Motion carried.

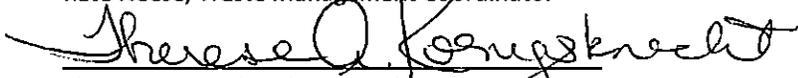
7a. PUBLIC COMMENT

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, *it was moved by Member Fair, supported by Member Hill to adjourn. Motion carried.* The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.


 Rod Taylor, Chairman


 Kate Neese, Waste Management Coordinator


 Therese Koenigsnecht, Recording Secretary

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RESOLUTION 2015-7 ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

At a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Clinton, Michigan, held at the County Building in St. Johns, Michigan on the 26th day of May, 2015, at 9:00 o'clock a.m. local time.

PRESENT: Commissioners: Kam Washburn, David Pohl, Bruce DeLong, Kenneth B. Mitchell,
Robert Showers, Anne Hill and Adam Stacey.

ABSENT: Commissioners: None

It was moved by Commissioner Hill and supported by Commissioner DeLong that the following resolution be adopted.

WHEREAS, Part 115 of Michigan's Solid Waste Management Act (MCL §324.11501 et seq.) ("Part 115") requires Clinton County to promulgate and periodically amend a Solid Waste Management Plan ("Plan");

WHEREAS, Clinton County has adopted such a Plan and its Solid Waste Planning Committee has presented this Resolution as a Plan amendment for Board Approval

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners determines that approval of the Plan amendment incorporated in this Resolution is in the best interests of the County's citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following amendment to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan of 2000 are hereby approved:

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[In Section 5.5, entitled "IMPORT AUTHORIZATION," to the table entitled "Import Volume Authorizations of Solid Waste" on page 43, the following counties are added as rows

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DATE 05/26/2015 The Clinton County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, May 26, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Clinton County Board of Commissioners Room, Courthouse, St. Johns, Michigan with Chairperson Robert Showers presiding.

MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Chairperson Showers called for a moment of silence. The pledge of allegiance was given to the flag of the United States of America.

ROLL CALL Roll was called and a quorum reported. Present were Commissioners Kam Washburn, David Pohl, Bruce DeLong, Kenneth B. Mitchell, Robert Showers, Anne Hill and Adam Stacey.

COUNTY PERSONNEL Kate Morrow, Phil Hanses, Kate Neese, Ryan Wood and Craig Longnecker.

VISITORS Tom Thelen, Bob Kudwa, Dave Cook, Shannon Schlegel, Joe Pulver, Tonia Olson, Denise Palmer, Mark Schlegel, Eric Voisinet, David Schlegel, Sandra June, Roger Lerg and Patti Schafer.

AGENDA The agenda was reviewed.
BOARD ACTION: Commissioner Washburn moved, supported by Commissioner Mitchell to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried.

MINUTES OF 04/28/2015 The minutes of April 28, 2015 were presented for review and approval.
BOARD ACTION: Commissioner Stacey moved, supported by Commissioner Hill to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS The following Communications were reviewed:
1. Cheboygan County Resolution regarding scheduling of Code Inspector Conferences
2. Huron County Resolution opposing consolidation of State Departments
3. Department of Treasury report of valuations of Michigan counties as equalized by the State Tax Commission
BOARD ACTION: Commissioner Stacey moved, supported by Commissioner Washburn to acknowledge receipt of the communications. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION Chairperson Showers presented a certificate of appreciation to Earl (Bing) T. Barks, Sr. for his years of dedicated service to Clinton County on the County Board of Supervisors, County Zoning Commission, County Planning Commission and County Appeals Board/Zoning Board from 1967 to 2015.

ADMINISTRATOR'S
REPORT

Ryan Wood, County Administrator noted that the amendments to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) take effect July 1, 2015. There are significant changes to the act and as a result we need to revise our FOIA Policy. A draft of the revised policy will be presented to the Board in June.

RESOLUTION 2015-7
TO AMEND THE SOLID
WASTE MANAGEMENT
PLAN

Kate Neese, Waste Management Coordinator reported that the Solid Waste Management Planning Committee has recommended approval of the Amendment to the Solid Waste Management Plan to the Board of Commissioners. The Solid Waste Committee worked closely with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, Granger and the public during this process. The amendments to the plan will add four additional counties for waste import and export.

Commissioner Pohl noted that our recycling/reuse programs are helping reduce the amount of materials coming into the landfill and that the life expectancy of the Granger landfill is 50 years.

BOARD ACTION: Commissioner Hill moved, supported by Commissioner DeLong to adopt the Resolution to amend the Solid Waste Management Plan as recommended by the Solid Waste Management Planning Committee. Voting on the motion by roll call vote, those voting aye were Mitchell, Pohl, Washburn, DeLong, Stacey, Hill and Showers. Seven ayes, zero nays. Motion carried. (INSERT RESOLUTION)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairperson Showers called for public comments. There were no public comments.

RESOLUTION 2015-8
IMPOSING SUMMER
PROPERTY TAX LEVY AND
CERTIFICATION OF
COUNTY MILLAGE RATE

Ryan Wood introduced a Resolution imposing the 2015 Summer Property Tax Levy pursuant to Public Act 357 of 2004, and Notice of Certification of the County Allocated Tax Levy in the amount of 5.8000 mills.

BOARD ACTION: Commissioner Pohl moved, supported by Commissioner Washburn to adopt the Resolution imposing the 2015 Summer Property Tax Levy and the County Allocated Tax Levy of 5.8000 mills and authorize the Chair and the County Clerk to sign the L-4029 2015 Tax Rate Request on behalf of the County. Voting on the motion by roll call vote, those voting aye were Washburn, Hill, Stacey, Pohl, Mitchell, DeLong and Showers. Seven ayes, zero nays. Motion carried. (INSERT RESOLUTION)

PA-116 FARMLAND
APPLICATIONS

The following PA-116 Farmland Applications were submitted for review and approval:

2015-1	E.B. Ridge Dairy, LLC, Duplain Township
2015-2	E.B. Ridge Dairy, LLC, Duplain Township
2015-3	E.B. Ridge Dairy, LLC, Duplain Township
2015-4	Douglas T. and Amber K. Irrer, Bengal Township
2015-5	Alvin J. Jr. and Karen M. Smith, Westphalia Township
2015-6	David W. and Joyce P. Pohl, Dallas Township
2015-7	David W. and Joyce P. Pohl, Dallas Township
2015-8	Erron T. and Marie A. Barks, Ovid Township
2015-9	Erron T. and Marie A. Barks, Ovid Township
2015-10	Erron T. and Marie A. Barks, Ovid Township
2015-11	Erron T. and Marie A. Barks, Ovid Township

BOARD ACTION: Commissioner Stacey moved, supported by Commissioner Washburn to approve the PA-116 Farmland Applications and forward to the State. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2015-9
PLEDGING THE FULL FAITH
AND CREDIT OF THE
COUNTY OF CLINTON TO
BACK THE SALE OF THE
CUTLER AND EXTENSION
DRAIN NOTES, SERIES
2015

Phil Hanses, Drain Commissioner reported that this matter was presented to the Board in detail at their Finance meeting on May 19, 2015. The Resolution presented at the committee meeting has been revised and the draft being presented to the Board today incorporates all the revisions recommended.

BOARD ACTION: Commissioner Washburn moved, supported by Commissioner DeLong to adopt the Resolution pledging the full faith and credit of the County to back the sale of the Cutler and Extension Drain Notes – Series 2015. Voting on the motion by roll call vote, those voting aye were Stacey, Pohl, Washburn, DeLong, Mitchell, Hill and Showers. Seven ayes, zero nays. Motion carried. (INSERT RESOLUTION)

APPROVAL OF
COMMISSIONERS'
EXPENSE ACCOUNTS

Commissioners' expense accounts were presented for review and approval.

BOARD ACTION: Commissioner Stacey moved, supported by Commissioner Pohl to approve the expense accounts, subject to review by the Chair and Clerk. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The following are reports of Committee meetings:

FINANCE COMMITTEE
MEETING

Commissioner Stacey, Finance Chairperson reported on a Finance Committee meeting held May 19, 2015.

ATTENDANCE AT
COMMITTEE MEETING

Members Present

Adam Stacey, Finance Chairperson
Kam Washburn, Bruce DeLong
Ken Mitchell, Anne Hill, David Pohl
Robert Showers, Ex-Officio Member

Staff Present

Ryan Wood, Penny Goerge
Craig Longnecker, Phil Hanses
Kate Neese, Rob Wooten
Chris Collom, Larry St. George
Tom Olson, Chris Hewitt

CALL TO ORDER

1. Finance Chairperson Stacey called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

COMMITTEE ACTION: Commissioner Washburn moved, supported by Commissioner Mitchell, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

- Addition to Agenda: Emergency Services – Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) - 3A

PUBLIC COMMENTS

2. Finance Chairperson Stacey requested limited public comments. There were none.

RESOLUTION PLEDGING
FULL FAITH AND CREDIT
OF THE COUNTY TO BACK
THE SALE OF THE CUTLER
AND EXTENSION DRAIN
NOTES

3. Finance Chairperson Stacey introduced Drain Commissioner Phil Hanses to discuss a resolution pledging the full faith and credit of the County to back the sale of the Cutler and Extension Drain Notes.

- The Cutler and Extension Drain was petitioned for improvements in 2013; construction plans were developed and bids were opened on April 29th;
- The computation of cost for the project is set at \$315,000;
- Watertown Charter Township is pre-paying their portion of the assessment and Notes will be sold to finance the balance of the project over 12 years; a pledge of full faith and credit of the County will be beneficial to the district by receiving lower interest rates from bidders;
- The Board is being asked to approve a resolution (to be provided for the Members' review prior to the May 26th Board of Commissioners meeting) that pledges their support for the project; if approved, a request for bids will be prepared and sent to local lenders with a bid opening planned for June 3rd.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Commissioner Pohl moved, supported by Commissioner Washburn, to **recommend** approving a Resolution (pending review prior to the May 26th BOC meeting) pledging the full faith and credit of the County to back the sale of the Cutler and Extension Drain Notes. Motion carried. (See page 3 of minutes for Board Action)

HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT

3A. Finance Chairperson Pohl introduced Larry St. George, Emergency Services Director, to discuss the Homeland Security Grant.

FY 2014 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM REGION 1 BOARD SUB-RECIPIENT AGREEMENT WITH INGHAM COUNTY

- A. FY 2014 Homeland Security Grant Program Region 1 Board Sub-Recipient Agreement with Ingham County:
- This proposed agreement allows Clinton County to be a sub-recipient of the 2014 Homeland Security Grant Program; this federal grant is passed through the State and then to the Region 1 Homeland Security Planning Board;
 - Ingham County is currently the fiduciary agent for this grant; in prior years, the City of Lansing was the fiduciary;
 - The agreement outlines some of the conditions that the County must adhere to in order to be reimbursed; we have participated in this program since 2004.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Commissioner Mitchell moved, supported by Commissioner DeLong, to **recommend** approving the 2014 HSGP Region I Board Sub-Recipient Agreement authorizing Ingham County to serve as the fiduciary for the region. Motion carried.

BOARD ACTION: Commissioner Stacey moved, supported by Commissioner DeLong to concur with the committee recommendation. Motion carried.

REGIONAL PLANNER AGREEMENT

B. Regional Planner Agreement: Finance Chairperson Stacey introduced discussion regarding the Regional Planner Position for Emergency Services.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Commissioner Hill moved, supported by Commissioner Mitchell, to **recommend** approving the agreement between Ingham County and Clinton County to fund the Region 1 Regional Planner position in the amount of \$65,000 for the period of May 11, 2015 through April 30, 2016. Motion carried.

BOARD ACTION: Commissioner Stacey moved, supported by Commissioner DeLong to concur with the committee recommendation. Voting on the motion by roll call vote, those voting aye were Mitchell, Pohl, Washburn, DeLong, Stacey, Hill and Showers. Seven ayes, zero nays. Motion carried.

HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT FY 2014 PRE-FUNDING REQUEST

- C. Homeland Security Grant – FY 2014 Pre-Funding Request: Finance Chairperson Stacey introduced discussion regarding a pre-funding request from Emergency Services.
- Mr. St. George is asking for pre-funding of Clinton County's local share of the FY 2014 Region 1 Homeland Security Grant in the amount of \$35,877.65;
 - Mr. St. George outlined the proposed expenditures of the 2014 grant funds; these expenditures are the result of requests from Emergency Operations Center staff representatives, resource needs identified in disaster exercises, planning efforts and known deficiencies in eligible grant target areas;
 - Grant funds must be used for Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activities.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Commissioner Mitchell moved, supported by Commissioner DeLong, to **recommend** approving the pre-funding of Clinton County's local share of the FY 2014 Homeland Security Grant (HSGP) funds in the amount of \$35,877.65. Motion carried.

BOARD ACTION: Commissioner Stacey moved, supported by Commissioner Mitchell to concur with the committee recommendation. Voting on the motion by roll call vote, those voting aye were Pohl, Washburn, DeLong, Mitchell, Hill, Stacey and Showers. Seven ayes, zero nays. Motion carried.

WASTE MANAGEMENT

GRANGER CONTRACT
EXTENSION FOR
RECYCLING SERVICES

4. **Waste Management:**

- A. **Granger Contract Extension for Recycling Services:** Finance Chairperson Stacey introduced Kate Neese, Waste Management Coordinator, to discuss a one year extension for the rural recycling sites service contract with Granger.
- Granger is requesting a contract extension for a one year period for the current Recycling Site Servicing Contract;
 - The rural recycling sites are located within the Village of Fowler and the Village of Maple Rapids;
 - The Department of Waste Management supports the request to renew our current contract for another year as Granger continues to provide excellent service at these drop-off sites.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Commissioner Pohl moved, supported by Commissioner Washburn, to **recommend** authorizing a contract extension for a one year period for the current Recycling Site Servicing Contract with Granger. Motion carried.

BOARD ACTION: Commissioner Stacey moved, supported by Commissioner Washburn to concur with the committee recommendation. Motion carried.

SOLID WASTE
MANAGEMENT PLANNING
COMMITTEE PROPOSED
AMENDMENT TO SOLID
WASTE MANAGEMENT
PLAN

- B. **Solid Waste Management Planning Committee -- Proposed Amendment to Solid Waste Management Plan:** Finance Chairperson Stacey introduced discussion regarding the proposed amendment to the Solid Waste Management Plan.
- Granger has requested an amendment to our County Solid Waste Management Plan to include four additional counties for waste import and export;
 - The process to amend the County Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP) began in February 2014 and the Board moved to establish the SWMP Committee on March 27, 2014; since that time, the Department of Waste Management has worked closely with the SWMP Committee, Michigan Department of Environment Quality (MDEQ), Granger and the Public;
 - The Members are being asked to approve the draft Plan amendment; once approved, the draft Plan amendment will be sent to all local municipalities for their review and vote; the amendment requires a 67% majority (villages, townships, cities) to pass or fail, it would then go to the MDEQ for final approval.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Commissioner Hill moved, supported by Commissioner Pohl, to **recommend** approving the draft Plan amendment to the Solid Waste Management Plan as presented. Motion carried. (See page 2 of minutes for Board action)

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT
REQUESTS

5. **Capital Improvement Requests:** Finance Chairperson Stacey introduced discussion regarding the following capital improvement requests:

JAIL AIR CONDITIONING
UNITS

- A. **Jail Air Conditioning Units:**
- Administrator Wood noted that C2AE's services will be utilized for this project.

COMMITTEE ACTION: Commissioner Pohl moved, supported by Commissioner DeLong, to approve \$162,250 for the replacement of five roof-top air conditioning units at the Jail, as outlined in the capital improvements section of the 2015 budget. Motion carried.

PARKS AND GREEN SPACE
CLINTON LAKES COUNTY
PARK EROSION BASIN FILL

- B. **Parks and Green Space – Clinton Lakes County Park Erosion Basin Fill:**
- The Clinton Lakes County Park property contains an erosion control basin, located on the north end of Big Clinton Lake, which was put in place before the parcel's acquisition; the basin was installed to collect sediment and runoff that could potentially flow south into Big Clinton Lake;
 - A topsoil and grass seeding project took place in the fall of 2014 in order to further establish erosion control in key areas and create more green space around the former sand gravel pit; volunteers from the DNR also completed an additional over-seed project early this spring;
 - The Drain Office has determined that the grass seed is well-established and the sediment runoff issue has virtually been eliminated; the erosion control basin needs to be filled with sand in order to remove any safety hazards it may pose to future park users;
 - It was noted that the original water level control area will remain in place and continue to function as it always has;
 - The Parks and Green Space Commission is requesting \$12,000 in funds in order to complete this project as soon as possible.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Commissioner Pohl moved, supported by Commissioner Washburn, to **recommend** approving \$12,000 in funds along with the appropriate budget adjustment within the public improvement fund to fill the former erosion control basin with sand at Clinton Lakes County Park. Motion carried.

BOARD ACTION: Commissioner Stacey moved, supported by Commissioner Washburn to concur with the committee recommendation. Voting on the motion by roll call vote, those voting aye were Mitchell, DeLong, Hill, Washburn, Pohl, Stacey and Showers. Seven ayes, zero nays. Motion carried.

CENTRAL DISPATCH CAD
COMPUTER
REPLACEMENT

- C. **Central Dispatch – CAD Computer Replacement:**
- The Board is being asked to approve \$76,000 for the replacement of Computer Aided Dispatch hardware and contract services with SunGard Public Sector;
 - The current hardware was purchased five years ago and is at the end of its useful life;
 - The new procedures will provide offsite backup and allow a more efficient and timely recovery in the event of a hardware failure.

COMMITTEE ACTION: Commissioner Mitchell moved, supported by Commissioner DeLong, to approve \$76,000 for the replacement of Computer Aided Dispatch hardware and contract services with SunGard Public Sector, as outlined in the capital improvements section of the 2015 budget. Motion carried.

CENTRAL DISPATCH
911 NEXT GENERATION
GIS MAPPING

D. Central Dispatch – 911 Next Generation GIS Mapping:

- At the September 2014 meeting, Central Dispatch received approval from the Board to post a request for proposal (RFP) for 911 Next Generation GIS Mapping;
- A committee made up of representatives from Central Dispatch, GIS and Equalization reviewed the five responses that were received and eliminated four of them based on costs or failure to meet the expectations of the project;
- Central Dispatch is requesting authorization to contract with Amalgam LLC for 911 Next Generation Mapping as their response meets all the requirements listed in the proposal;
- Central Dispatch did a budgetary assessment for this project in early 2013 and it was budgeted for \$65,000; Amalgam's quote is for \$85,000 which is the lowest quote for the services requested.
- The physical drive of the county is the highest cost factor in the project; the physical drive is extremely important as it provides an eye view of the structures and greatly reduces the possibility of error.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Commissioner Washburn moved, supported by Commissioner Pohl, to recommend approving \$85,000 to contract with Amalgam LLC for 911 Next Generation Mapping for Clinton County. Motion carried.

BOARD ACTION: Commissioner Stacey moved, supported by Commissioner Pohl to concur with the committee recommendation. Voting on the motion by roll call vote, those voting aye were Stacey, Hill, Washburn, Mitchell, Pohl, DeLong and Showers. Seven ayes, zero nays. Motion carried.

BUILDING COMMITTEE RE-
ACTIVATION

6. Finance Chairperson Stacey introduced discussion regarding re-activation of the Building Committee.

- Over recent years the Building Committee has been convened to provide oversight of major building projects; these projects include construction of the Courthouse, Health Department, Jail renovation/expansion, Phase 1 of the Communications System Enhancement Project and others;
- In order to be consistent with past practice, it is suggested that the Building Committee be formally activated to oversee the Southeast Tower – Communications System Enhancement Project (Phase 2);
- Administrator Wood provided an update to the Members regarding some concerns from several Victor Township and Bath Township residents relative to the current site location of the project; the goal is to determine if the tower can be moved and what impact it will have on maintaining the required radio coverage in the southeast portion of the County and the regulatory mandates.

COMMITTEE ACTION: Commissioner Washburn moved, supported by Commissioner Mitchell, to activate the Building Committee (Commissioner Stacey, Commissioner Pohl and Commissioner Showers) for the purpose of authorizing final design of the project, awarding contracts, approving change orders, approval of contract progress payments and other actions necessary to complete phase 2 of the Communications System Enhancement Project (southeast tower) within the project budget approved by the County Board of Commissioners. Motion carried.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT
PROJECTS SCHEDULE

7. Finance Chairperson Stacey introduced discussion regarding the capital improvement projects schedule.
- The Members briefly discussed capital improvement projects and priorities for various funds including public improvement, vehicle and MIS for the period from 2016-2020.
- No action taken.

CLINTON POST-
SECONDARY SUCCESS
NETWORK – RESA

8. Finance Chairperson Stacey introduced discussion regarding the Clinton Post-Secondary Success Network.
- Last month the Board of Commissioners heard a presentation from Denise Palmer and Pat Jackson from Clinton County Regional Educational Service Agency (CCRESA) regarding their efforts with the Clinton Post-Secondary Success Network (CPSN);
 - The CPSN was formed in September 2014 when it was awarded a Planning Grant through the Michigan College Access Network (MCAN);
 - The mission of the program is to increase the percentage of Clinton County students who pursue and obtain a post-secondary credential following high school to build a workforce equipped to compete in a global economy;
 - The Board unanimously agreed to support this effort by matching their grant in the amount of \$15,000 per year for the next two years, subject to a written agreement;
 - A proposed agreement between the County of Clinton and CCRESA regarding the Clinton Post-Secondary Success Network was presented to the members; it was noted that the term of the agreement (section 3) should be two (2) years instead of three (3) years.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Commissioner Washburn moved, supported by Commissioner Pohl, to **recommend** approval of a two (2) year agreement between the County of Clinton and CCRESA regarding the Clinton Post-Secondary Success Network. Motion carried.

BOARD ACTION: Commissioner Stacey moved, supported by Commissioner Washburn to concur with the committee recommendation. Voting on the motion by roll call vote, those voting were Pohl, Washburn, DeLong, Mitchell, Hill, Stacey and Showers. Seven ayes, zero nays. Motion carried.

MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION
OF COUNTIES
COMMUNICATION
SERVICES DISCUSSION

9. Finance Chairperson Stacey introduced Chairperson Showers to discuss communication services provided by Michigan Association of Counties.
- Chairperson Showers discussed the importance of public relations with our local municipalities, school districts and leadership groups/volunteer organizations; it was suggested that MAC assist the County in creating a communication piece/update that would be distributed to these entities as part of this mission.
- No action taken.

SUMMER PROPERTY TAX
LEVY RESOLUTION

10. Finance Chairperson Stacey introduced discussion regarding the 2015 Summer Property Tax Levy and County Allocated Tax Levy.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Commissioner Pohl moved, supported by Commissioner Hill, to **recommend** adoption of the 2015 Summer Property Tax Levy Resolution and authorize signature of the Board Chair on the Millage Request Report to County Board of Commissioners. Motion carried. (See page 2 of minutes for Board Action)

PLANNING UPDATE

11. Finance Chairperson Stacey introduced discussion regarding a planning update.
No action taken.

MAY/JUNE COMMITTEE MEETING CALENDARS

12. Finance Chairperson Stacey introduced discussion regarding the June 2015 Open Meetings and Events Calendar.
• Administrator Wood asked the Members to amend the May 2015 Calendar to add a Building Committee Meeting on Wednesday, May 27th at 12:30 p.m., due to the reactivation of the Building Committee.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Commissioner Washburn moved, supported by Commissioner Mitchell, to **recommend** adding the May 27th Building Committee meeting to the May calendar as requested by Administrator Wood and approving the June Open Meetings and Events Calendar as presented. Motion carried.

BOARD ACTION: Commissioner Stacey moved, supported by Commissioner Pohl to concur with the committee recommendation. Motion carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE INVOICES PAID

13. Finance Chairperson Stacey introduced discussion regarding the Accounts Payable Invoices Paid.

COMMITTEE ACTION: Commissioner Pohl moved, supported by Commissioner DeLong, to approve the invoices paid from April 4 through May 8, 2015 in the amount of \$919,889.06. Motion carried.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

14. Finance Chairperson Stacey requested Commissioners' comments.
• Commissioner Showers provided updates on behalf of MAC and the Regional Council of Governments;
• Commissioner Pohl provided an update on behalf of Tri-County Regional Planning;
• Commissioner Hill referenced the Sheriff's report and expressed her concern with the number of seniors that have had first-hand experiences with fraud recently;
• Commissioner Mitchell provided an update on behalf of the Mid-Michigan District Health Department;
• Commissioner Stacey briefly discussed government funding to fix the roads;
• Commissioner Washburn provided an update on behalf of Community Mental Health;
• The Administrator's Report was provided to the Members.

ADJOURNMENT OF COMMITTEE MEETING

15. Finance Chairperson Stacey adjourned the meeting at 4:04 p.m.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING

Commissioner Washburn, Personnel Chairperson reported on a Personnel Committee meeting held May 19, 2015.

ATTENDANCE AT COMMITTEE MEETING

Members Present
Kam Washburn, Personnel Chairperson
Adam Stacey, Ken Mitchell
Anne Hill, David Pohl, Bruce DeLong
Robert Showers, Ex-Officio Member

Staff Present
Penny Goerge,
Craig Longnecker

CALL TO ORDER

1. Personnel Chairperson Washburn called the meeting to order at 4:14 p.m.

COMMITTEE ACTION: Commissioner Pohl moved, supported by Commissioner Hill, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

2. Personnel Chairperson Washburn requested limited public comments. There were none.

2015 MERS DELEGATES TO ANNUAL MEETING

3. Personnel Chairperson Washburn introduced discussion regarding the appointment of Employee and Employer Delegates to the 2015 MERS Annual Meeting.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Commissioner Pohl moved, supported by Commissioner DeLong, to **recommend** the approval of Barb Moss as the employee delegate and Cindy Moser as the employee alternate to the 2015 MERS Annual Meeting as selected by secret ballot, and the appointment of Craig Longnecker as the Officer Representative and Ryan Wood as the officer alternate to the 2015 MERS Annual Meeting. Motion carried.

BOARD ACTION: Commissioner Washburn moved, supported by Commissioner Mitchell to concur with the committee recommendation. Motion carried.

RETIREE HEALTH CARE TRUST FUND

4. Personnel Chairperson Washburn introduced Craig Longnecker, Deputy Administrator, to discuss the Clinton County Retiree Health Trust Fund.
 - The Members reviewed the investment report from Fifth Third for the first quarter of 2015 ending March 31, 2015;
 - The investment report showed a return rate since inception (5/1/02) of 6.0%; the 3 year performance indicates an 8.4% return; rolling 5 year history indicates a 7.7% return; the fund has an actuarial performance assumption of 7%;
 - Asset allocation as of March 31, 2015, fixed income is 48.3% and equities at 51.7%;
 - According to the most recent actuarial analysis, we have reached over 100% funding;
 - Mr. Longnecker notified the Members that the Trustees of the Clinton County Retiree Health Trust Fund recently conducted a review of our assumptions, specifically the interest rate assumption;
 - A supplemental actuarial valuation has been completed and our investment advisor will be bringing forward a recommendation on whether or not to decrease the interest rate assumption slightly;
 - A recommendation will be brought to the Board of Commissioners later this summer.

No action taken.

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

5. Personnel Chairperson Washburn introduced discussion regarding the appointments to various Committees and Commissions.

APPOINTMENT TO
LIBRARY BOARD

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Commissioner DeLong moved, supported by Commissioner Mitchell, to **recommend** reappointing Deb Green to the Clinton County Library Board for a five (5) year term expiring June 30, 2020. Motion carried.

BOARD ACTION: Commissioner Washburn moved, supported by Commissioner Mitchell to concur with the committee recommendation. Chairperson Showers called for further nominations. None were offered. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT TO RESA
CLINTON POST-
SECONDARY SUCCESS
NETWORK

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Commissioner DeLong moved, supported by Commissioner Hill, to **recommend** appointing Commissioner Dave Pohl as Board Representative and Ken Mitchell as the Alternate Representative to the Clinton Post-Secondary Success Network-RESA. Motion carried.

BOARD ACTION: Commissioner Washburn moved, supported by Commissioner DeLong to concur with the committee recommendation. Chairperson Showers called for further nominations. None were offered. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT TO
CLINTON COUNTY FARM
BUREAU

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Commissioner DeLong moved, supported by Commissioner Pohl, to **recommend** appointing Commissioner Kam Washburn to replace Dave Pohl as Liaison to the Clinton County Farm Bureau. Motion carried.

BOARD ACTION: Commissioner Washburn moved, supported by Commissioner Mitchell to concur with the committee recommendation. Chairperson Showers called for further nominations. None were offered. Motion carried.

COMMISSIONERS'
COMMENTS

6. Personnel Chairperson Washburn requested Commissioners' comments. There were none.

ADJOURNMENT OF
COMMITTEE MEETING

7. Personnel Chairperson Washburn adjourned the meeting at 4:45 p.m.

END OF COMMITTEE
REPORTS

ADJOURNMENT

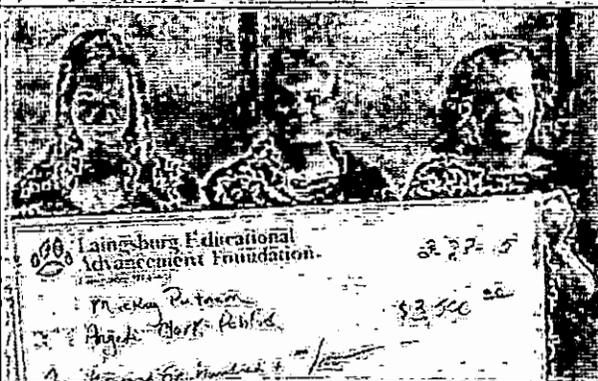
BOARD ACTION: With no further business to come before the Board, Chairperson Showers declared the meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m. Motion carried.



Diane Zuker, Clerk of the Board

NOTE: These minutes are subject to approval on June 30, 2015.

News from Laingsburg



LEAF Raffle Event Sees Another Record Profit

The Laingsburg Educational Advancement Foundation netted more than \$11,600 from its sixth-annual Reverse Raffle fundraiser held recently at Eagle Eye Golf Club, its largest gross ever by more than \$2,600. The event - which was a sell-out for the first time this year with only 150 raffle tickets available - raises money for grants for Laingsburg Community Schools teachers, student groups and staff.

For the second time since the event's inception, the two finalists - Angela Clark-Pohlod (right) and Mickey Putnam (left), both of Laingsburg (shown here with LEAF President Diana Carpenter) - decided to combine and split their winnings. Instead of a grand prize of \$3,000 and a second place of \$500, each took home \$1,750. If the last two ticket holders decide to do this, explained LEAF Reverse Raffle Chair Dana Nichols, there is no need to draw the final numbers, and the event is over.

Several other winners took home a total of \$800 in cash or more than \$6,000 worth of non-cash prizes such as golf packages, artwork and crafts from area artists, gift certificates to local businesses, Luginuts suite passes and a Detroit Tigers bus

Laingsburg, con't from the front

Discussing the district's curriculum, Brian Doepker explained that the M-Step assessment is only a one year test. The state of Michigan will introduce a new assessment next year. The M-Step is unlike the former MEAP tests, which were simply fixed-form multiple choice assessments. The M-Step, in contrast, will include a project-based assessment.

Doepker also mentioned several awards and events of the high school. The FFA chapter recently received a superior chapter award for its program of activities and 161 involved students. Several students also received academic achievement awards through the program. The band recently received a division I rating at the MSBOA festival competition. The band is also leaving this Sunday for their Nashville trip. Doepker said the spring musical was very impressive and was well attended at every performance.

In athletics, Doepker noted two student wrestlers who attended the state wrestling competition, receiving 5th place and state runner up. The boys basketball team members were CMAC champions in coach Dan Blemaster's first season, with a record of 21-3. The girls were CMAC champions and made it to the state semi-final game at the Breslin Center at Michigan State University with an overall record of 26-1.

The board also hired Michael Simon as the middle school track coach before entering into executive session. The next regular board meeting, discussing topics such as the 2015-16 budget, will be held on April 15 at 7 pm in the high school large group room.

Laingsburg UMC Chicken Dinner

submitted by Tom Turck

The Laingsburg United Methodist Church will not hold a host Chicken Dinner in April, due to the Easter holiday.

The dinner will return Saturday, May 2 and the commu-

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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Koenigsknecht, Therese

From: jane dailey <janede@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, April 27, 2015 10:43 AM
To: Neese, Katherine
Cc: Hewitt, Christopher; Koenigsknecht, Therese
Subject: Re: GRANGER EXPANSION OF SERVICE

Jane DAILEY
1726 Autumn Lane
Lansing MI 48912
thanks, If I get out of work on time, Ill try to make the mtg.
Jane

Thank you for your comment, however, we need your full name and mailing address in order to include this comment into our file.

Please reply to this email with the information and I will share your comment with the Solid Waste Management Planning Committee during our Public Hearing on Thursday April 30th. This Public Hearing is open to the everyone and will begin at 5:30pm in the Board of Commissioners Room at the Clinton County Courthouse located at 100 East State Street in St Johns, MI 48879.

Thanks again,

Kate Neese – Recycling & Waste Management Coordinator
Clinton County Department of Waste Management
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From: jane dailey [<mailto:janede@comcast.net>]
Sent: Sunday, April 26, 2015 9:03 AM
To: Neese, Katherine
Subject: GRANGER EXPANSION OF SERVICE

I live in the Grosebeck neighborhood. It is located at the intersection of 127 and Lake Lansing Road.

This morning as I went out to get the morning paper, yet again, the air was foul with the methane released by Granger.

Its typical with temperature changes, which are obviously very common in Michigan. It has become WORSE over the 5 years (Ive lived here 25)

I like Granger as a rule. I don't have roadside pick up for recycle (Im in Lansing Township) so I take my items to their recycle bins on Wood street. Their workman are nice, the service is good and price seems reasonable.

Ive called Granger and complained about the smell, they are nice but Im talking to some young person who is basically PR.

Last year I SW the Clean air folks more than a couple times.

Granger needs to get control of this smell before they expand their service.

They already take trash from 21 other counties, why does a Lansing URBAN AREA have to be the storage point?

If you lived here, which is about 1.5 miles from the site, and smelled this routinely, you'd understand

Let them find somewhere away from HOMES to generate this stench.

Jane D Dailey

Neese, Katherine

From: GHDeVoss@aol.com
Sent: Sunday, April 26, 2015 10:37 AM
To: Neese, Katherine
Subject: Contact from Website

This email is in regards to the proposed expansion of service area for Granger Landfills. I've been a neighbor of the Granger Grand River Landfill for close to 30 years. They are good neighbors and I believe they run a good landfill with the safety of the area in mind.

Having said the above, I'm opposed to further expansion of their service area. I think Clinton County had borne more than it's share of being a landfill for Mid-Michigan area. I'm happy to hear that their business has declined given the recycling efforts. Perhaps, they need to consider moving their efforts more towards that area.

Thanks for the opportunity to provide comments.

Gerald H. De Voss
9357 West Grand River Highway
Grand Ledge, Michigan 48837



LANSING REGIONAL CHAMBER

Tuesday, April 28, 2015

Clinton County
Solid Waste Planning Committee
107 E. Townsend Rd.
St. Johns, MI 48879

Clinton County Solid Waste Planning Committee Members:

In the April 26 edition of the Lansing State Journal I noticed an article about the request Granger made to add four counties to their service area. I would like to encourage your support of this request.

The greater Lansing region benefits from the landfill, recycling and renewable energy resources responsibly owned and operated by Granger. The Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce supports businesses like Granger that are growing, investing and providing job opportunities in the Greater Lansing region.

Granger should have the opportunity to create more family sustained jobs. They should have the opportunity to increase the amount of renewable energy available to businesses and residents served by the Lansing Board of Water and Light. Marketing and expanding their services to new areas creates these opportunities.

A landfill, while not a popular land use, should be recognized as a regional resource.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Tim Daman
President and CEO
Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce

500 E. Michigan Avenue, Suite 200
Lansing, MI 48912

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www.lansingchamber.org

Neese, Katherine

From: Graham Filler <grahamfiller10@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 30, 2015 9:59 AM
To: Neese, Katherine
Cc: Koenigsknecht, Therese; Hewitt, Christopher
Subject: Re: Proposed Amendment, Granger

Thank you Kate. Here is my information:

Graham Filler
12130 Airport Road
Dewitt, MI 48820

On Thu, Apr 30, 2015 at 8:22 AM, Neese, Katherine <NeeseK@clinton-county.org> wrote:

Thank you for your comment, however, we need your full name and mailing address in order to include this comment into our file.

Please reply to this email with the information and I will share your comment with the Solid Waste Management Planning Committee during our Public Hearing on Thursday April 30th. This Public Hearing is open to the everyone and will begin at 5:30pm in the Board of Commissioners Room at the Clinton County Courthouse located at 100 East State Street in St Johns, MI 48879.

Thanks again,

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Neese, Katherine

From: Tom Hardenbergh <greenview2004@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 30, 2015 1:27 PM
To: Neese, Katherine
Subject: Re: Granger Expansion

Katherine,

Sure would have if that instruction was included in the "Comments Wanted" notice in the DeWitt-Bath Review.

Here it is:

Thomas Clay Hardenbergh
4136 Hamlet Cove
Bath, MI 48808-8781

On Thu, Apr 30, 2015 at 1:23 PM, Neese, Katherine <NeeseK@clinton-county.org> wrote:

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From: Tom Hardenbergh [mailto:greenview2004@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 30, 2015 1:21 PM
To: Neese, Katherine
Subject: Granger Expansion

For public comment hearing -

Granger is a good company and a benefit to the community. Proper waste disposal is a must. However, I have two concerns about allowing the company to handle additional waste from four other counties.

Clean air is uppermost. The stench from the landfill is awful. The wind carries it far from the landfill into residential neighborhoods, shopping centers, and parks. Doesn't the Clean Air Act have a provision about the responsibility of a company to control its odor emissions? In any case, it makes Granger a very bad neighbor at times. I think the expansion of Granger's operations should be made contingent on controlling its obnoxious odors.

Second is concern about the waste-hauling trucks' impact on road surfaces and safety. The wear and tear on road surfaces caused by these heavy trucks is very evident. They arrive and leave in all directions using whatever road they want to. Fortunately, the roads adjacent to the landfill appear to have been built to withstand their weight. Wood Street and State Road are in good condition now. However, I am concerned that an increase in the number of trucks on them and connecting roads will decrease their life-span. I think the Clinton and Ingham County road commissions (or agency responsible) should be required to prepare an estimate of the increased cost to keep these roads in good condition to withstand the increased truck traffic. I think an entrance to the landfill from BR-127, either on Coleman Road or a new road south of Granger Meadows Lane should be considered. It should be a priority to minimize the increase in the number of trucks going to and from the landfill on Lake Lansing Rd, State Rd, and Wood Street.

Granger landfill isn't far outside of the nearby communities anymore. The communities have grown out to meet it and are continuing to do so. Granger's desire to improve its bottom-line is commendable, but government must tell them there is a cost to do it. The quality of life in Lansing, East Lansing, Lansing Township, and

DeWitt Township is very important to me. Business and government (i.e., we citizens) must pay the cost of maintaining it.

Tom Hardenbergh

Bath Township

Neese, Katherine

From: LeRoy Harvey <harvey@meridian.mi.us>
Sent: Tuesday, April 21, 2015 3:34 PM
To: Neese, Katherine
Subject: comments

To Whom It May Concern,

Given the broad multi-partisan support for waste reduction and recycling in Michigan, I would suggest that any expansion of the landfill (usage, tonnage, area served, etc.) be contingent on expansion in recycling and related waste reduction efforts.

To thoughtfully and creatively address this opportunity, I would strong recommend a study of similar agreements in other parts of the U.S. that tie permits and landfill usage to sustainability goals set by the community. An example would be to require a minimum 20% recycling (by volume or weight) of any materials that would otherwise be landfilled (20% diversion rate).

Thank you for considering these suggestions,

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Neese, Katherine

From: Terry Link <link@msu.edu>
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To: Neese, Katherine
Subject: Granger Expansion

Hi Kate,

Due to previous business commitments in Ann Arbor on Thursday afternoon, I will not be able to attend the hearing Thursday evening. Of course the committee has heard some of my concerns before some of which were reworked in the City Pulse column from two weeks ago. I believe that column gets at the essence of the decision points for the committee and commissioners. I would ask that the column be entered into the public record along with this note.

Let me just synthesize a couple of points that underlie my concerns and that I would wish the decision makers – both the solid waste committee and the commissioners would consider.

- 1) There are more options other than the one being offered by Granger. Not to explore them or search for additional ones is a disservice to the community they are representing.
- 2) The object for the public good is to reduce waste. Granger or any landfill operator should not be punished because of it. Realigning policies that support waste reduction from cradle to grave is essential for government to fulfill its obligation to the public good.

I would be glad to be part of group that attempts to find a solution that is in the public interest.

All good things,

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Comments: Each county or specific area should be responsible for the waste created there. This could be an incentive for waste reduction. Recycling is an inefficient, and in the whole, uneconomical, 'feel good' system. The entire waste stream has increased greatly over the years. There is currently no incentive to reduce waste. Perhaps with a 'if you make it, you handle it' system, changes would be made.

My opinion, don't approve the changes Granger is requesting.

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Wednesday, April 15, 2015

The long haul

Granger plan for transporting waste hurts the public good

by Terry Link

Recently Granger III & Associates, which run the Wood Street landfill, has requested Clinton County to amend the county's solid waste plan. The proposed amendment would allow fGranger to collect and haul refuse from additional counties — Clare, Mecosta, Lenawee, and Hillsdale — even further away from their existing approved collection territory.

This is certainly reasonable from the private interest perspective of the Granger business. It makes money from the hauling and the landfilling of the refuse. But I would remind the decision-makers in this process that county government should reflect the public good first and private gain only secondarily.

In this case the request to move more trash a greater distance (the additional counties as measured from their county seats range from 70 to 120 miles from the landfill) is not in the public interest, clearly not environmentally. The discussion, especially given the growing concern from the scientific community of the threats from climate disruption and ecological unraveling, should follow the old Hippocratic maxim, "First, do no harm."

This proposal harms the public good in several ways. By moving waste farther and farther from its point of origin, we unnecessarily add more greenhouse gases from the trucks to the already overburdened atmosphere. In addition, as we all know, the mantra of responsible solid waste is "reduce, reuse, recycle." There is nothing in this proposal that addresses or attempts to improve any of those priorities of that well-established practice. As such, it does not reduce waste but simply adds environmental burdens.

But I like to go back to the responsibility of governmental bodies to protect, preserve and enhance the public good. The Granger company has been a reasonably good local steward of our landfill operation for more than 40 years. We need a landfill to safely dispose of unusable or unrecyclable materials while protecting our groundwater, atmosphere and land. The economic model on which many businesses and supportive policies are constructed is one of growth. In this case, the more refuse Granger can collect, haul, and bury, the better their economic bottom line. The now soon-to-be-retired old myth of MORE IS BETTER, or unlimited economic growth (note the similarity to cancer cells), doesn't work anymore, and certainly not in terms of solid waste. By asking our community members to reduce, reuse and recycle, we're asking them to shrink waste hauling. Thus Granger wisely got involved in recycling and composting efforts and more recently with capturing the methane from the landfill for energy use.

But it would seem from this proposal that Granger has hit the wall. Its only proposal is to simply ignore the solid waste trilogy as a way out. I believe it falls upon county officials to assist Granger, as a company with local roots and in good standing, by exploring other remedies to their "wall" that are more in line with the public good — i.e., reducing, reusing, and recycling. As a private citizen, I see no evidence that this tact has been explored with any sincere due diligence by either of the parties. The lack of imagination and collaboration to create something better is certainly disappointing to me, both as a former county commissioner and as someone with more than a little knowledge about solid waste and environmental issues.

On a finite planet with a growing population, the simple math tells us we must reduce waste, including greenhouse gases. Doing so will require a different set of incentives if the work must bring some entities profit. Government officials are overdue in reviewing the rules of the game. There is plenty of room for creativity in finding solutions. Until some alternatives are offered, this proposal should be tabled and players should take this opportunity to explore — together with a committee of citizens, government officials, and Granger — possible alternatives which might benefit us all and the children and grandchildren we leave behind.

(Consultant Terry Link was the founding director of MSU's Office of Campus Sustainability and is a senior fellow with the U.S. Partnership for Education for Sustainable Development. He can be reached at link @lansingcitypulse.com.)

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Neese, Katherine

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Subject: Written comments on granger
Attachments: Opsommer Letter to Clinton.docx

Please find attached my comments concerning the request by Granger. Having served in the Michigan Legislature and having the honor of serving on the House Energy committee for 3 legislative terms I feel I have an in depth knowledge of the issues involved in this request. I strongly support their efforts.

Thank you for your time.

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April 29, 2015

Clinton County Solid Waste Planning Committee:

Thank you for your service to our county and your consideration of the request from Granger to add four counties to the solid waste plan. I am writing to encourage your support of the proposed amendment.

We are fortunate to have this responsible, family-owned company operating in our county. Granger provides jobs for residents of the greater region, environmental stewardship with their recycling and renewable energy programs and corporate philanthropy that benefits numerous charitable organizations. I would like to continue to see Granger prosper as their success benefits our county and the entire region.

I have had the opportunity to visit and tour the Granger facilities on a number of occasions. They operate in a manner that exceeds regulatory requirements. They have high safety standards. They have demonstrated, numerous times, their commitment to serving the interests of the community and minimizing nuisance from a type of operation that can often be a concern.

Sincerely,

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April 29, 2015

Dear Clinton County Solid Waste Planning Committee Members:

In 2008, the Lansing Board of Water & Light (BWL) partnered with Granger to bring renewable energy to residents in the greater Lansing area. As trash deposited in the Granger Clinton County landfills decomposes it produces landfill gas. Engine generators at the Granger Wood Road Generating Station in Lansing produce renewable energy from landfill gas for the BWL. The station has seven engines with the capacity to generate enough power for about 10,000 homes in the BWL service territory. BWL also receives landfill-generated renewable energy from the Granger Grand River Generating Station in Grand Ledge. Combined, the stations can produce enough power for nearly 14,000 homes.

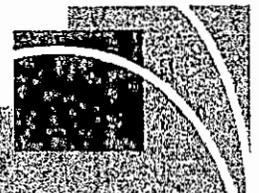
Through this partnership, both the BWL and Granger have helped to reduce emissions of methane and decrease the need to generate energy from fossil fuels. In addition, the partnership has helped to create jobs associated with the design, construction and operation of energy recovery systems.

As you consider the request by Granger to add to their service territory we hope you will keep these valuable renewable energy benefits in mind. Support for this request means more renewable energy and more jobs in the mid-Michigan region.

Sincerely,

Stephen Serkaian

Stephen Serkaian
Executive Director, Public Affairs



Clinton County Dept of waste

Re Granger Expansion

The question here is NOT if Granger has room for more waste, But the environment impact. The trucks that are very heavy compacted will only cause excessive congestion with traffic

The traffic on wood rd is a ~~big~~ Big Problem. Unless restricted they will take the closest Route Wood Rd.

The Impact Studies should be Done By the State.

Any decision should be done with the input ^{Clayton} by wood rd home owners. Check out the stopping distance. The State web ~~stat~~ site says with large trucks the Reaction time is 75 feet and stopping distance is over 200 ft at 55 mph.

Was it intentional that the only notice to the public was 4-days?

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Further More. Granger should not
of expanded the Capacity for fill
if there slow down is real.

Four Days Notice and holding
the Meeting when Most people are leaving
work and can't attend is another factor
of Not informing the Public.

This is not in the Best Interest of the Public

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Thank you for your comment, however, we need your full name and mailing address in order to include this comment into our file.

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To: Neese, Katherine

Subject: Granger Expansion- Four More Counties (OPPOSED)

I am not in favor of granting Granger the right to haul trash into our area from four additional counties. Please do not approve the request. Thank you.

April 30, 2015

Clinton County Solid Waste Planning Committee
Clinton County Commissioners
Clinton County Solid Waste Council Members
100 E. Cass St.
St. Johns, MI 48879

Dear Clinton County officials,

My name is Gayle Miller. For eleven years, from 1990 to 2001, I worked for the Clinton County Department of Waste Management as Assistant and then Acting Solid Waste Management Coordinator. I have over 25 years of experience in solid waste and environmental policy making. I live in Ovid Township and now run my own small business. I'm writing because of my serious concern over Granger's request to expand their service territory.

You will soon be deliberating Granger's request to modify the Clinton County Solid Waste Plan to add four more counties to the 20 counties that can already send trash to Clinton County for disposal. I urge you to read this letter and attached document and seriously consider the points I raise as you make this decision.

Granger is a good company, and I believe that Granger is well suited to operate the two landfills that exist in Clinton County. Granger will surely profit from expanding their service territory. However, I believe that certain changes must be made to the Solid Waste Plan to protect Clinton County citizens before Granger's request is approved.

In the following pages I lay out an argument for increasing the Solid Waste User Fee that Granger collects from its customers, and for modifications to the Solid Waste Plan that should be made before the County grants an expansion.

Granger will, no doubt, oppose these recommendations. Their executives will claim that raising the User Fee will force them to raise their prices and that we, as customers, will pay more. But this is not necessarily the case. There are numerous scenarios possible that would benefit and protect Clinton County's interests, improve recycling and waste reduction in other areas of the state, and allow Granger to profit - without increasing costs to Clinton County residents.

I put these issues to you as a former employee of the County, and as a Clinton County resident, business owner and taxpayer. Thank you for your consideration and thoughtful deliberation of this matter. I'd be happy to answer any questions you may have, and am available by phone or email. I am also available to attend meetings if required.

Sincerely,



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Public Testimony
from
Gayle Miller (former Clinton County Solid Waste Management Coordinator) on
Granger's Request to Add Four Counties to Their Service Territory

April 30, 2015

Local landfill owner Granger is requesting approval from Clinton County to add Clare, Hillsdale, Lenawee and Mecosta counties to the 20 counties already allowed to send trash to Granger's two Clinton County landfills for disposal. If approved, Granger could import an unlimited amount of waste from these additional four counties. Granger claims they need to increase their service territory to remain competitive.

While it is in the interest of Clinton County government to do what they can to help specific local companies remain profitable, it is even more essential for County government to protect the interests of Clinton County residents, and the thousands of other businesses located here. *It should be Clinton County's primary obligation to ensure that landfill space remains available for Clinton County's waste as economically as possible, for as long as possible.* Allowing more counties to use Granger's landfill space will inevitably mean that space for our own waste will run out sooner.

The addition of these counties requires an amendment of the County's Solid Waste Plan. Modifications to the Plan are time consuming and expensive and any changes should be considered permanent. The County Solid Waste Plan was first developed prior to 1990 – and has been modified very rarely since then. In conjunction with Granger's request, the County Solid Waste Plan should be updated now. It is possible that this is the only opportunity Clinton County will have to modernize its Solid Waste Plan for the next 20 years.

Granger's request is not as simple as deciding whether or not they should be allowed to expand their service territory. *It is a much more complex question of the improvements the County should adopt in its Plan in exchange for allowing Granger to expand. By striking the right balance, Granger can expand while meeting the needs and protecting the interests of Clinton County residents and businesses for the long term.*

Below are changes to the Solid Waste Plan that I believe are essential and should be made before Granger is allowed to expand.

1. Increase the Landfill User Fee

In 1989, Clinton County adopted its first Solid Waste Management Plan which requires all haulers to collect a \$0.25/cubic yard User Fee from customers, to be paid to the County for trash disposed of in Clinton County. The User Fee helps compensate the County for the unpleasant impacts of being “host” to two landfills. For more than 25 years this fee has helped implement local recycling programs, paid for special disposal programs, and financed critical waste reduction and environmental education programs in Clinton County.

But inflation has eaten away at the User Fee so that it is now worth about \$.11 (less than half) compared to when it was first established. Because of this reduced funding, the Department of Waste Management has cut staffing by a third; scaled back education programs to help reduce waste; and popular waste reduction programs themselves (such as the Clean Community Events) are at risk - all to the detriment of Clinton County residents and businesses.

The Department of Waste Management’s fund balance is also shrinking. Due to an inadequate operating budget, the department will likely have to dip into the Fund Balance to cover programming costs in 2015. The fund balance was also reduced when approximately \$200,000 was taken to buy parkland a few years ago – a use I believe is inconsistent with the original intent of the User Fee’s creation.

With an adequate User Fee in place, the Clinton County Department of Waste Management can ramp back up to a fully funded department and an effective service provider.

Recommendation: Modify the Solid Waste Plan to increase the User Fee to \$0.75/cubic yard, with annual inflationary adjustment. The Plan should also explicitly specify that User Fee funds are to be used only for activities associated with reducing and managing waste. The Planning Committee could also consider reducing the User Fee charged to Clinton County residents while increasing the User Fee charged to customers of other counties. In any case, the shrinking budget of the Department of Waste Management should not be allowed to continue.

2. Establish Adequate Fund Balance & Emergency Fund

Having a local landfill is both a blessing and a curse. Clinton County clearly benefits from the jobs and economic activity of the landfill business. We benefit by having a local place to dispose of our waste. And, as a community-minded company, Granger gives charitably and is involved in many aspects of Clinton County community life. But unlike most other businesses, landfills impose unique impacts on the communities where they exist.

As a “host county” of two landfills, Clinton County faces real risks, tangible and intangible costs, and unpleasant side-effects of these operations. Granger’s landfills are both well run and “state-of-the-art.” But this does not mean that they don’t have impacts and costs – which exist now (such as odors) and in the future (such as leaks).

Odor complaints are common with any landfill operation. While Granger usually does a fairly good job with odor management, trash smells bad – that’s a fact. Granger has been working for

months to try and improve operations in order to control the odors. This will be a battle they will continue to fight for as long as the landfills are in operation. Simply put, two entire regions of Clinton County are likely to smell bad (sometimes it's worse and sometimes better) for decades to come.

The aquifer that provides the water that all of us in Clinton County drink is in close proximity to millions of tons of buried waste in Granger's two landfills. Should Granger's landfill liners leak, their water filtration system malfunction, or some other natural disaster occurs that compromises the landfills' integrity and their protection systems, our water is at risk.

Traffic, dust and blowing trash are also concerns to nearby residents of the landfills. Property values near the landfill are likely lower. No-one spends top dollar for a house within the odor footprint of a landfill.

Finally, while hopefully rare, major disasters *do* occur. Granger surely has prevention and mitigation plans in place. But whether it's a tornado, a rare earthquake, or a landfill fire, Clinton County residents face issues and dangers that communities without landfills do not have to worry about.

The Department of Waste Management's Fund Balance is vastly inadequate to help county residents deal with any of the above scenarios if Granger can't. If, for example, Granger had a catastrophic failure in their wastewater treatment system and then went bankrupt, how much money would Clinton County need to purchase bottled water for DeWitt and Watertown Township residents indefinitely? If Granger had a bad landfill fire like the ones in Hamilton or Stark Counties in Ohio, would enough money be available to help nearby residents relocate? What would be the cost in air pollution to nearby neighbors? Landfill fires are common – according to Waste Management World there are about 8,300 landfill fires in the US per year. They can burn for a very long time.

Recommendation: *Modify the Solid Waste Plan to create a comfortable fund balance that would be available to assist County residents in case of a landfill disaster. A fund of this sort would be raised by the increased User Fee. The fund balance should be used only for projects directly related to waste reduction and recycling in Clinton County. The emergency fund should be reserved for use only in the case of an emergency.*

3. Require Meaningful Reciprocal Agreements

The space available in a landfill development is finite. Vertical and horizontal expansions are possible, but the two Clinton County landfills are ultimately restricted by developed property surrounding the landfills. Significant expansions to these landfills will be expensive, lengthy and controversial.

According to the current Solid Waste Plan, counties sending their trash to Clinton County have agreed to reciprocate in the future -- to take our trash *if and when* they ever site a landfill in their counties. Yet, according to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, none of the four counties under consideration are planning to build landfills. It is extremely unlikely that they will ever build landfills.

If Granger's request is granted, Clinton County will give up irreplaceable landfill space to counties that have no real obligation to reciprocate when the time comes. Only counties that have existing landfills or those that are in the process of building or expanding a landfill should be allowed to send waste to Clinton County.

Recommendation: Modify the Solid Waste Plan to ensure that real landfill space is available for Clinton County residents when that need arises. Counties that do not have a landfill now should not be allowed to send waste to Clinton County. The County should take a very long-term view of this issue – 50-75 years at least.

4. Require Exporting Counties to Reduce Their Waste

Clinton County has very good waste reduction and recycling programs available to residents. Yet some of the counties that send their waste to Clinton County do nothing to reduce waste. Clinton County works hard to reduce waste and recycle *specifically* to extend the life of our existing landfill space and reduce the amount of harmful chemicals buried there. *Why would we allow other counties to send their waste here if they've done NOTHING to reduce their own waste?*

As documented on Governor Snyder's Environmental Dashboard, of the four counties Granger wants to add to their service territory, only Clare County has even the most basic waste reduction and recycling services available. Hillsdale, Lenawee and Mecosta Counties have little available to help their residents reduce waste.

Available landfill space is at a premium. The DEQ recently reported that Michigan landfills have approximately 26 years of capacity available before they have to start expanding existing landfills or building new ones, which will be extraordinarily expensive.

Recommendation: Modify the Solid Waste Plan to allow only those counties that have comprehensive and convenient waste reduction and recycling programs in place to send their waste to Clinton County landfills.

5. Require Granger to help Customers Reduce Waste

There are many ways to encourage people to participate in recycling, but "Pay As You Throw" (PAYT) programs are one of the most effective. Ideally, PAYT programs should be the norm, rather than the exception – the more you throw away, the more you pay. However, most of today's Cart/Container programs fail to reward waste reduction, composting and recycling. One or two cart sizes are generally available and customers can squeeze as much as they want into each container without paying any more.

Granger currently offers an optional PAYT service by allowing residents to pay "by the bag" for their trash disposal. This is a very good deal for those of us who aggressively reduce our waste. But there is limited participation, primarily because it isn't promoted. The County should require Granger to offer and aggressively promote a PAYT trash collection option to customers in Clinton County and all counties that send their waste to Clinton County.

In addition, Granger should offer convenient recycling services to their out-of-county customers. For example, if Lenawee County doesn't have convenient recycling programs for their residents, Granger could only service their trash customers if they also provide free or low-cost drop-off or curbside recycling services. Granger should not be allowed to cherry pick profitable trash contracts without also offering recycling services.

Recommendation: Modify the Solid Waste Plan to require Granger to offer and aggressively promote PAYT programs to all customers, coupled with free or low-cost recycling services to customers that don't otherwise have access to effective waste reduction programs.

Conclusion

Environmentally, it makes little sense to transport waste here from distant counties when closer landfills are available. The transport of waste should be avoided completely if at all possible. However, given the fact that the County is likely to approve Granger's request anyway, it is in the County's best interests to update the Solid Waste Plan as recommended above.

Granger is a good company and we are lucky to have them operating the landfills in Clinton County. It is also a very profitable company. Granger executives will not like these recommendations. However, Clinton County officials must look beyond what Granger wants for the short term and consider what is best for Clinton County citizens in the long term.

In summary, the Solid Waste Planning Committee, the Solid Waste Council and the County Board of Commissioners should amend the Solid Waste Plan to:

1. Increase the User Fee established in 1989 from \$0.25/CY to \$0.75/CY.
2. Create an adequate fund balance and emergency fund using the User Fee.
3. Require meaningful reciprocal agreements with counties sending their waste to Clinton County.
4. Require counties that send their waste to Clinton County landfills to have adequate waste reduction programs of their own.
5. Require Granger to offer waste reduction programs such as Pay-As-You-Throw and curbside recycling services to customers in counties whose waste they want to dispose of in Clinton County.

Finally, Granger's request should open the door to further and more deliberate discussions about how our county -- and counties Granger wishes to operate in -- can move forward toward zero waste. Endless scenarios are possible that would allow Granger to get what it wants while protecting the interests of Clinton County -- and ultimately benefiting the environment in every county where Granger operates.

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Lansing, Michigan 48933

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF CLINTON
BATH CHARTER TOWNSHIP**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO CLINTON COUNTY
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

At a regular meeting of the Bath Charter Township Board of Trustees held in Bath, Michigan on August 3, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Clark, McQueen, Garrity, Cronk, Pett, Puttler

ABSENT: Fewins-Bliss

The following resolution was offered by McQueen and supported by Pett:

WHEREAS, Clinton County ("County") has adopted a Solid Waste Management Plan ("Plan") under the authority of 1994 PA 451, Part 115 ("Part 115") as amended; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires the Plan to be periodically updated in light of changing circumstances; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2015, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners adopted a Plan Amendment in Resolution 2015-7; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires review and approval of the Plan Amendment by at least 67 percent of the municipalities located within Clinton County; and

WHEREAS, the Bath Charter Township Board of Trustees has reviewed the Plan Amendment and finds that it promotes and protects the solid waste needs and interests of the citizens living therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Bath Charter Township Board of Trustees approves the proposed Plan Amendment to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Clinton County Department of Waste Management at 1307 E. Townsend Road, Suite 102, St. Johns, MI 48879 and may be included as a matter of record in the Appendix of the Solid Waste Management Plan or its Plan Amendment.

YEAS: Pett, Puttler, Garrity, Cronk, McQueen

NAYS: Clark

RESOLUTION ADOPTED


Kathleen B. McQueen, Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF CLINTON

Name of local unit: Benzel Township

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO CLINTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE
MANAGEMENT PLAN**

At a regular meeting of the Benzel Township held in St. Johns, Michigan on
8 July, 2015, at 7:05 p.m. Board

PRESENT: Deb Schiefer, Elizabeth D. Ayoub, Denise Schultzein,
Nick McDonald, Bill Kuslmaul

ABSENT: none

The following resolution was offered by D. Schultzein and supported by
W. Kuslmaul:

WHEREAS, Clinton County ("County") has adopted a Solid Waste Management Plan ("Plan") under the authority of 1994 PA 451, Part 115 ("Part 115") as amended; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires the Plan to be periodically updated in light of changing circumstances; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2015, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners adopted a Plan Amendment in Resolution 2015-7; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires review and approval of the Plan Amendment by at least 67% of the municipalities located within Clinton County; and

WHEREAS, the Benzel Township Board has reviewed the Plan Amendment and finds that it promotes and protects the solid waste needs and interests of the citizens living therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Benzel Township Board approves the proposed Plan Amendment to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Clinton County Department of Waste Management at 1307 E. Townsend Road, Suite 102, St. Johns, MI 48879 and may be included as a matter of record in the Appendix of the Solid Waste Management Plan or its Plan Amendment.

YEAS: Schultzein, McDonald, Schiefer, Kuslmaul, Ayoub

NAYS: _____

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Elizabeth D. Ayoub, Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN)

) ss:

COUNTY OF CLINTON)

The undersigned, duly qualified and acting Clerk of Bengal Township, Clinton County, Michigan, hereby certifies that the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of the **Resolution Approving Amendment to Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan** by said Board at a regular meeting held on July 8, 2015, the original of which is part of the Board's minutes. The undersigned further certifies that notice of the meeting was given to the public pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meetings Act (Act 267 of 1976, as amended).


Clerk, Bengal Township

**TOWNSHIP OF BINGHAM
RESOLUTION #2015-08-10**

At the Regular Meeting of the Township Board of Trustees (the "Township Board") of the Township of Bingham (the "Township"), Clinton County, Michigan held at 4179 South BR 127, St. Johns, Michigan on August 10, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. there was:

PRESENT: James Ostrowski, Helen Kus, Jessica Smith, Eric Harger, Tony Hufnagel

ABSENT: None

The following resolution was offered by Kus and supported by Hufnagel.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO CLINTON COUNTY SOLID
WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

WHEREAS, Clinton County ("County") has adopted a Solid Waste Management Plan ("Plan") under the authority of 1994 PA 451, Part 115 ("Part 115") as amended; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires the Plan to be periodically updated in light of changing circumstances; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2015, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners adopted a Plan Amendment in Resolution 2015-7; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires review and approval of the Plan Amendment by at least 67% of the municipalities located within Clinton County; and

WHEREAS, BINGHAM TOWNSHIP has reviewed the Plan Amendment and finds that it promotes and protects the solid waste needs and interests of the citizens living therein;

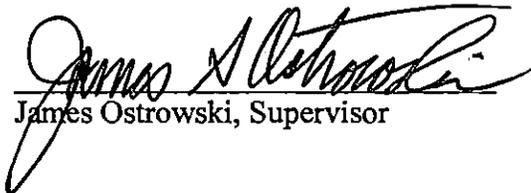
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the TOWNSHIP OF BINGHAM approves the proposed Plan Amendment to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Clinton County Department of Waste Management at 1307 E. Townsend Road, Suite 102, St. Johns, MI 48879 and may be included as a matter of record in the Appendix of the Solid Waste Management Plan or its Plan Amendment.

A Roll call Vote on the foregoing resolution was taken and is as follows:

Yeas: 5
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

The resolution was declared Adopted.


James Ostrowski, Supervisor


Helen Kus, Clerk

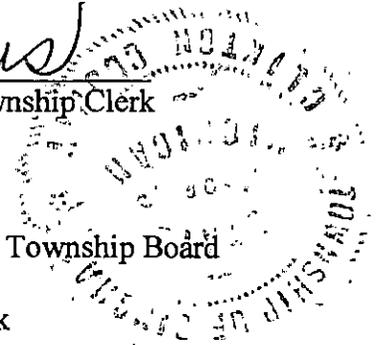
CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned and duly qualified and elected Clerk of the Township, hereby certify that, (1) the foregoing is a true and complete copy of Resolution 2015-08-10 adopted by the Township Board at the regular meeting held on August 10, 2015, at which meeting a quorum was present and remained throughout, the original which is on file in my office, (2) the meeting was conducted and public notice was given pursuant to and in compliance with Act No. 267, Michigan Public Acts of 1976, as amended, and (3) the minutes of such meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required thereby.


Helen Kus, Bingham Township Clerk

Dated: August 10, 2015

By order of the Bingham Township Board
Helen Kus,
Bingham Township Clerk



STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF CLINTON
Name of local unit: Dallas Twp.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO CLINTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE
MANGEMENT PLAN**

At a regular meeting of the Dallas Twp. Board held in Fowler Michigan on July 7, 2015, at 7p.m.

PRESENT: G. Arens, V. Feldpausch, J. Koengsknecht,
P. Schafer, S. Schafer

ABSENT: 0

The following resolution was offered by J. Koengsknecht and supported by P. Schafer:

WHEREAS, Clinton County ("County") has adopted a Solid Waste Management Plan ("Plan") under the authority of 1994 PA 451, Part 115 ("Part 115") as amended; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires the Plan to be periodically updated in light of changing circumstances; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2015, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners adopted a Plan Amendment in Resolution 2015-7; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires review and approval of the Plan Amendment by at least 67% of the municipalities located within Clinton County; and

WHEREAS, the Dallas Twp. Board has reviewed the Plan Amendment and finds that it promotes and protects the solid waste needs and interests of the citizens living therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Dallas Twp. Board approves the proposed Plan Amendment to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Clinton County Department of Waste Management at 1307 E. Townsend Road, Suite 102, St. Johns, MI 48879 and may be included as a matter of record in the Appendix of the Solid Waste Management Plan or its Plan Amendment.

YEAS: S. Schafer, G. Arens, P. Schafer, V. Feldpausch T. Koengsknecht

NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION ADOPTED Therese Q Koengsknecht
Dallas Twp. Clerk
225 S. Main
Fowler, MI 48835

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF CLINTON
DeWitt Charter Township
R2015-06-12

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO CLINTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE
MANGEMENT PLAN**

At a regular meeting of the Township Board held in DeWitt, Michigan on June 22, 2015,
at 7 p.m.

PRESENT: Supervisor Galardi, Clerk Mosier, Treasurer Daggy,
Trustees Balzer and Musselman

ABSENT: Trustees Ross and Secger

The following resolution was offered by Musselman and supported by Daggy:

WHEREAS, Clinton County ("County") has adopted a Solid Waste Management Plan ("Plan") under the authority of 1994 PA 451, Part 115 ("Part 115") as amended; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires the Plan to be periodically updated in light of changing circumstances; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2015, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners adopted a Plan Amendment in Resolution 2015-7; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires review and approval of the Plan Amendment by at least 67% of the municipalities located within Clinton County; and

WHEREAS, the Township has reviewed the Plan Amendment and finds that it promotes and protects the solid waste needs and interests of the citizens living therein;

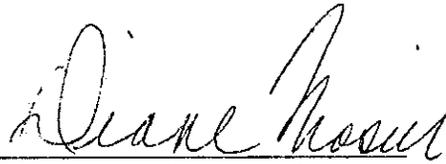
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Charter Township of DeWitt approves the proposed Plan Amendment to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Clinton County Department of Waste Management at 1307 E. Townsend Road, Suite 102, St. Johns, MI 48879 and may be included as a matter of record in the Appendix of the Solid Waste Management Plan or its Plan Amendment.

YEAS: 5

NAYS: 0

Resolution declared adopted.



Diane Mosier, Township Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
)ss
COUNTY OF CLINTON)

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified Clerk of the Charter Township of DeWitt, Clinton County, Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the proceedings taken by the Township Board at a Regular meeting held on the 22nd day of June, 2015.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed by official signature this 22nd day of June, 2015.



Diane Mosier, Township Clerk

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF CLINTON
Name of local unit: City of DeWitt**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO CLINTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE
MANAGEMENT PLAN**

At a regular meeting of the DeWitt City Council held in DeWitt, Michigan on July 14th, 2015, at 7 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Rundborg, Council members Cooper, Hunsaker, Landgraf
Leeming, Ostander and Stoker

ABSENT: None

The following resolution was offered by Leeming and supported by Hunsaker:

WHEREAS, Clinton County ("County") has adopted a Solid Waste Management Plan ("Plan") under the authority of 1994 PA 451, Part 115 ("Part 115") as amended; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires the Plan to be periodically updated in light of changing circumstances; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2015, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners adopted a Plan Amendment in Resolution 2015-7; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires review and approval of the Plan Amendment by at least 67% of the municipalities located within Clinton County; and

WHEREAS, the City of DeWitt has reviewed the Plan Amendment and finds that it promotes and protects the solid waste needs and interests of the citizens living therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of DeWitt approves the proposed Plan Amendment to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Clinton County Department of Waste Management at 1307 E. Townsend Road, Suite 102, St. Johns, MI 48879 and may be included as a matter of record in the Appendix of the Solid Waste Management Plan or its Plan Amendment.

YEAS: 6

NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF CLINTON
Name of local unit: EAGLE TOWNSHIP

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO CLINTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE
MANGEMENT PLAN**

At a regular meeting of the EAGLE TWP BOARD held in EAGLE, Michigan on July 14, 2015, at 6:30pm.

PRESENT: SUPERVISOR PATTI SCHAFER, TREASURER JOE SMITH, CLERK SHERR WIRTH,
TRUSTEE DICK JONES, TRUSTEE STEVE SMITH

ABSENT: None

The following resolution was offered by SUPERVISOR SCHAFER and supported by TRUSTEE JONES:

WHEREAS, Clinton County ("County") has adopted a Solid Waste Management Plan ("Plan") under the authority of 1994 PA 451, Part 115 ("Part 115") as amended; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires the Plan to be periodically updated in light of changing circumstances; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2015, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners adopted a Plan Amendment in Resolution 2015-7; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires review and approval of the Plan Amendment by at least 67% of the municipalities located within Clinton County; and

WHEREAS, the EAGLE TWP BOARD has reviewed the Plan Amendment and finds that it promotes and protects the solid waste needs and interests of the citizens living therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the EAGLE TWP BOARD approves the proposed Plan Amendment to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Clinton County Department of Waste Management at 1307 E. Townsend Road, Suite 102, St. Johns, MI 48879 and may be included as a matter of record in the Appendix of the Solid Waste Management Plan or its Plan Amendment.

YEAS: TRUSTEE S. SMITH, TRUSTEE JONES, CLERK WIRTH, TREASURER J. SMITH,
SUPERVISOR SCHAFER

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION ADOPTED



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September 2, 2015

Dear Ms. Neese,

The City of East Lansing Commission on the Environment has given consideration the Clinton County Part 115 Solid Waste Management Plan Amendment. The Commission understands their role in the process of this amendment to be one of review and potentially recommendation for approval to our City Council of the Resolution. However, after much thoughtful discussion and deliberation at our regular meetings on June 15th, 2015 and August 17th, 2015, the Commission will not be making a recommendation on the resolution to our City Council for the following reasons:

- Insufficient information concerning the quality of waste being transported from the additional counties to the Granger Landfill;
- Insufficient information concerning recycling and waste reduction opportunities provided in these additional counties;
- Concerns about increased wear, tear, and emissions resulting from the long distance hauling of this waste from these additional counties into the region; and
- Belief that the above concerns could not be adequately addressed and processed through our City Council prior to the September 1st, 2015 deadline.

On behalf of the City of East Lansing Commission on the Environment, I would like to thank you for presenting your proposed amendment at our June 15th meeting and for providing the Commission with the opportunity to review and consider the proposed amendment.

Sincerely,

Kerrin O'Brien
Commissioner

Resolution 5-2015
Village of Elsie

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF CLINTON

Name of local unit: Village of Elsie

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO CLINTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE
MANGEMENT PLAN**

At a regular meeting of the Village Council held in Elsie, Michigan on
August 11, 2015, at 7 p.m.

PRESENT: Scott Carie, Tom Frink, Joe Ondrusek,
Jason Freeman, Susanne Bensinger

ABSENT: none

The following resolution was offered by J. Ondrusek and supported by
S. Bensinger:

WHEREAS, Clinton County ("County") has adopted a Solid Waste Management Plan ("Plan") under the authority of 1994 PA 451, Part 115 ("Part 115") as amended; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires the Plan to be periodically updated in light of changing circumstances; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2015, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners adopted a Plan Amendment in Resolution 2015-7; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires review and approval of the Plan Amendment by at least 67% of the municipalities located within Clinton County; and

WHEREAS, the vill. of Elsie has reviewed the Plan Amendment and finds that it promotes and protects the solid waste needs and interests of the citizens living therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Council approves the proposed Plan Amendment to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Clinton County Department of Waste Management at 1307 E. Townsend Road, Suite 102, St. Johns, MI 48879 and may be included as a matter of record in the Appendix of the Solid Waste Management Plan or its Plan Amendment.

YEAS: S. Carie, J. Ondrusek, J Freeman, T. Frink, S. Bensinger

NAYS: none

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Am Trivalci - Village Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF CLINTON
TOWNSHIP OF ESSEX

RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO CLINTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE
MANAGEMENT PLAN

At a regular meeting of the Essex Township Board held in Clinton County, Michigan on August 19, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Wardin, Ferguson, Gavenda, George, Bunn

ABSENT: NONE

The following resolution was offered by Anji Bunn and supported by Rex Ferguson:

WHEREAS, Clinton County ("County") has adopted a Solid Waste Management Plan ("Plan") under the authority of 1994 PA 451, Part 115 ("Part 115") as amended; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires the Plan to be periodically updated in light of changing circumstances; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2015, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners adopted a Plan Amendment in Resolution 2015-7; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires review and approval of the Plan Amendment by at least 67% of the municipalities located within Clinton County; and

WHEREAS, the Essex Township Board has reviewed the Plan Amendment and finds that it promotes and protects the solid waste needs and interests of the citizens living therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Essex Township Board approves the proposed Plan Amendment to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Clinton County Department of Waste Management at 1307 E. Townsend Road, Suite 102, St. Johns, MI 48879 and may be included as a matter of record in the Appendix of the Solid Waste Management Plan or its Plan Amendment.

YEAS: George, Bunn, Wardin, Ferguson, Gavenda

NAYS: _____

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Carla Wardin
Carla Wardin
Essex Township Supervisor

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF CLINTON
GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO CLINTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE
MANAGEMENT PLAN**

At a regular meeting of the Greenbush Township Board held in St. Johns, Michigan on July 6, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Eugene Jones, Dan Jorae, Ramona Smith, Julie Havens, and Bernadette Hayes.

ABSENT: None

The following resolution was offered by Bernadette Hayes and supported by Julie Havens:

WHEREAS, Clinton County ("County") has adopted a Solid Waste Management Plan ("Plan") under the authority of 1994 PA 451, Part 115 ("Part 115") as amended; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires the Plan to be periodically updated in light of changing circumstances; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2015, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners adopted a Plan Amendment in Resolution 2015-7; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires review and approval of the Plan Amendment by at least 67% of the municipalities located within Clinton County; and

WHEREAS, the Greenbush Township has reviewed the Plan Amendment and finds that it promotes and protects the solid waste needs and interests of the citizens living therein;

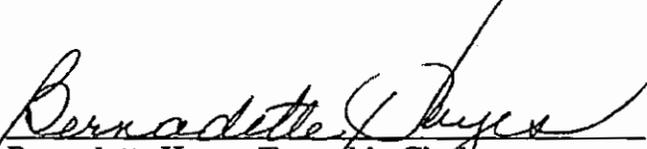
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Greenbush Township Board approves the proposed Plan Amendment to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Clinton County Department of Waste Management at 1307 E. Townsend Road, Suite 102, St. Johns, MI 48879 and may be included as a matter of record in the Appendix of the Solid Waste Management Plan or its Plan Amendment.

YEAS: Eugene Jones, Dan Jorae, Ramona Smith, Julie Havens and Bernadette Hayes.

NAYES: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.


Bernadette Hayes, Township Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF CLINTON
Name of local unit: Village of Fowler

RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO CLINTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE
MANAGEMENT PLAN

At a regular meeting of the Village Council of the Village of Fowler, Michigan held in Fowler, Michigan on August 10, 2015, at 7:00 PM.

PRESENT: Smith, Childers, Halfmann, Porter, V. Thelem, Fink, Klein

ABSENT: None

The following resolution was offered by Smith and supported by Halfmann

WHEREAS, Clinton County ("County") has adopted a Solid Waste Management Plan ("Plan") under the authority of 1994 PA 451, Part 115 ("Part 115") as amended; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires the Plan to be periodically updated in light of changing circumstances; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2015, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners adopted a Plan Amendment in Resolution 2015-7; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires review and approval of the Plan Amendment by at least 67% of the municipalities located within Clinton County; and

WHEREAS, the Fowler Village Council has reviewed the Plan Amendment and finds that it promotes and protects the solid waste needs and interests of the citizens living therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fowler Village Council approves the proposed Plan Amendment to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Clinton County Department of Waste Management at 1307 E. Townsend Road, Suite 102, St. Johns, MI 48879 and may be included as a matter of record in the Appendix of the Solid Waste Management Plan or its Plan Amendment.

YEAS: Smith, Childers, Halfmann, Porter, V. Thelem, Fink

NAYS: Klein

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF CLINTON
Name of local unit: Lebanon Twp.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO CLINTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE
MANGEMENT PLAN**

At a regular meeting of the Lebanon Twp held in Fowler, Michigan on
3-10, 2015, at 8:00pm.

PRESENT: Dan Smith, Dave Piggott, Perry Fitzpatrick
Mike Klein, Greg Ambrose

ABSENT: NO ONE

The following resolution was offered by Smith and supported by
A-14:

WHEREAS, Clinton County ("County") has adopted a Solid Waste Management Plan ("Plan") under the authority of 1994 PA 451, Part 115 ("Part 115") as amended; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires the Plan to be periodically updated in light of changing circumstances; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2015, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners adopted a Plan Amendment in Resolution 2015-7; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires review and approval of the Plan Amendment by at least 67% of the municipalities located within Clinton County; and

WHEREAS, the Lebanon Twp has reviewed the Plan Amendment and finds that it promotes and protects the solid waste needs and interests of the citizens living therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lebanon Twp approves the proposed Plan Amendment to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Clinton County Department of Waste Management at 1307 E. Townsend Road, Suite 102, St. Johns, MI 48879 and may be included as a matter of record in the Appendix of the Solid Waste Management Plan or its Plan Amendment.

YEAS: Smith, Piggott, Klein, A-14, Fitzpatrick

NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF CLINTON

Village of Maple Rapids

RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO CLINTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE
MANAGEMENT PLAN

At a regular meeting of the Village of Maple Rapids held in Maple Rapids, Michigan
on July 1, 2015, at 7:30 p.m.

PRESENT: William Schmidt - Jeff Stephens - Joe Bennett - Frank Upton - Mitch Leiby

ABSENT: Paul Sorah

The following resolution was offered by Jeff Stephens

and supported William Schmidt.

WHEREAS, Clinton County ("County") has adopted a Solid Waste Management Plan ("Plan") under the authority of 1994 PA 451, Part 115 ("Part 115") as amended; and

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WHEREAS, on May 26, 2015, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners adopted a Plan Amendment in Resolution 2015-7; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires review and approval of the Plan Amendment by at least 67% of the municipalities located within Clinton County; and

WHEREAS, the has reviewed the Plan Amendment and finds that it promotes and protects the solid waste needs and interests of the citizens living therein;

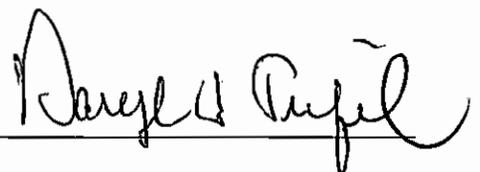
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Maple Rapids approves the proposed Plan Amendment to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Clinton County Department of Waste Management at 1307 E. Townsend Road, Suite 102, St. Johns, MI 48879 and may be included as a matter of record in the Appendix of the Solid Waste Management Plan or its Plan Amendment.

YEAS: -5- Schmidt - Stephens - Bennett - Upton - Leiby

NAYS: -0-

RESOLUTION ADOPTED



Daryl J. Trefil
Maple Rapids Village President

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF CLINTON
Name of local unit: Olive Township

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO CLINTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE
MANGEMENT PLAN**

At a regular meeting of the Olive Township Board held in DeWitt, Michigan on July 13, 2015, at 7:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Supervisor Earl Barke Sr., Treasurer David Cook, Trustee Eric Voisinet, Trustee Louis Favor

ABSENT: Clerk Sandra June

The following resolution was offered by Trustee Voisinet and supported by Trustee Favor:

WHEREAS, Clinton County ("County") has adopted a Solid Waste Management Plan ("Plan") under the authority of 1994 PA 451, Part 115 ("Part 115") as amended; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires the Plan to be periodically updated in light of changing circumstances; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2015, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners adopted a Plan Amendment in Resolution 2015-7; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires review and approval of the Plan Amendment by at least 67% of the municipalities located within Clinton County; and

WHEREAS, the Olive Township Board has reviewed the Plan Amendment and finds that it promotes and protects the solid waste needs and interests of the citizens living therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Olive Township Board approves the proposed Plan Amendment to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Clinton County Department of Waste Management at 1307 E. Townsend Road, Suite 102, St. Johns, MI 48879 and may be included as a matter of record in the Appendix of the Solid Waste Management Plan or its Plan Amendment.

YEAS: Barke, Cook, Voisinet, Favor

NAYS: _____

RESOLUTION ADOPTED 07.13.15

Sandra June, Clerk
Olive Township

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF CLINTON
Name of local unit: Village of Ovid

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO CLINTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE
MANGEMENT PLAN**

At a regular meeting of the Village of Ovid held in the Council Chamber's Room at 114 E. Front Street, Ovid, Michigan on the 13th, day of July, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Ms. Padilla, Mr. Ordiway, Mr. Zwick, Mr. Moore, Mr. Brown and Mr. Lasher.

ABSENT: Mr. Tew.

The following resolution was offered by Ms. Padilla and supported by Mr. Ordiway:

WHEREAS, Clinton County ("County") has adopted a Solid Waste Management Plan ("Plan") under the authority of 1994 PA 451, Part 115 ("Part 115") as amended; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires the Plan to be periodically updated in light of changing circumstances; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2015, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners adopted a Plan Amendment in Resolution 2015-7; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires review and approval of the Plan Amendment by at least 67% of the municipalities located within Clinton County; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Ovid Council has reviewed the Plan Amendment and finds that it promotes and protects the solid waste needs and interests of the citizens living therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Village of Ovid approves the proposed Plan Amendment to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Clinton County Department of Waste Management at 1307 E. Townsend Road, Suite 102, St. Johns, MI 48879 and may be included as a matter of record in the Appendix of the Solid Waste Management Plan or its Plan Amendment.

YEAS: Ms. Padilla, Mr. Brown, Mr. Zwick, Mr. Ordiway, Mr. Moore and Mr. Lasher

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. Tew

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

**Josefina Medina, Clerk
Village of Ovid**

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF CLINTON

Name of local unit: City of St. Johns

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO CLINTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE
MANAGEMENT PLAN**

At a regular meeting of the City Commission held in St. Johns, Michigan on
June 22, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Dana C. Beaman, Heather Hanover, Eric Hufnagel, Bob Craig, Robert Bellgowan

ABSENT: None

The following resolution was offered by Hanover and supported by
Bellgowan:

WHEREAS, Clinton County ("County") has adopted a Solid Waste Management Plan ("Plan") under the authority of 1994 PA 451, Part 115 ("Part 115") as amended; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires the Plan to be periodically updated in light of changing circumstances; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2015, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners adopted a Plan Amendment in Resolution 2015-7; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires review and approval of the Plan Amendment by at least 67% of the municipalities located within Clinton County; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has reviewed the Plan Amendment and finds that it promotes and protects the solid waste needs and interests of the citizens living therein;

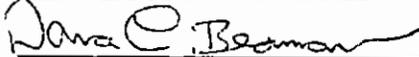
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Commission
approves the proposed Plan Amendment to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Clinton County Department of Waste Management at 1307 E. Townsend Road, Suite 102, St. Johns, MI 48879 and may be included as a matter of record in the Appendix of the Solid Waste Management Plan or its Plan Amendment.

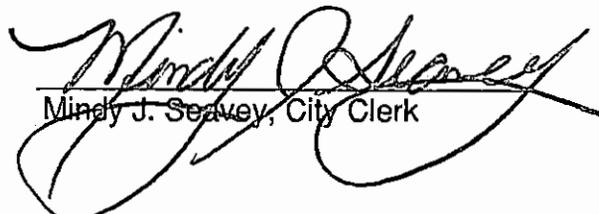
YEAS: Beaman, Hanover, Hufnagel, Craig, Bellgowan

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION ADOPTED



Dana C. Beaman, Mayor



Mindy J. Seavey, City Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF CLINTON

Name of local unit: Victor Township
Resolution # 08042015-1

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RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO CLINTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE
MANGEMENT PLAN

At a regular meeting of the Township held in Leingsburg Michigan on
Aug 4th, 2015, at 7 pm.

PRESENT: Preston, Malkin, McDonald, Wall and Willoughby

ABSENT: None

The following resolution was offered by Malkin and supported by
Willoughby:

WHEREAS, Clinton County ("County") has adopted a Solid Waste Management Plan ("Plan") under the authority of 1994 PA 451, Part 115 ("Part 115") as amended; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires the Plan to be periodically updated in light of changing circumstances; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2015, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners adopted a Plan Amendment in Resolution 2015-7; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires review and approval of the Plan Amendment by at least 67% of the municipalities located within Clinton County; and

WHEREAS, the Township has reviewed the Plan Amendment and finds that it promotes and protects the solid waste needs and interests of the citizens living therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township
approves the proposed Plan Amendment to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Clinton County Department of Waste Management at 1307 E. Townsend Road, Suite 102, St. Johns, MI 48879 and may be included as a matter of record in the Appendix of the Solid Waste Management Plan or its Plan Amendment.

YEAS: Malkin, Wall, Preston, McDonald and Willoughby

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Paula Willoughby
Victor Township
Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF CLINTON
Name of local unit: Village of Westphalia

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO CLINTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE
MANGEMENT PLAN**

At a regular meeting of the Village Council held in Westphalia Michigan on
July 7, 2015, at 7:00pm.

PRESENT: Dean Kohagen, Tim Fandel, Steve Miller, Kevin Krzeminski,
Phil Smith, Dave Beswell

ABSENT: Nort Upson

The following resolution was offered by Tim Fandel and supported by
Phil Smith:

WHEREAS, Clinton County ("County") has adopted a Solid Waste Management Plan
("Plan") under the authority of 1994 PA 451, Part 115 ("Part 115") as amended; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires the Plan to be periodically updated in light of changing
circumstances; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2015, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners adopted a
Plan Amendment in Resolution 2015-7; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires review and approval of the Plan Amendment by at least
67% of the municipalities located within Clinton County; and

WHEREAS, the Council has reviewed the Plan Amendment and finds that it
promotes and protects the solid waste needs and interests of the citizens living therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Westphalia
approves the proposed Plan Amendment to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the
Clinton County Department of Waste Management at 1307 E. Townsend Road, Suite 102, St.
Johns, MI 48879 and may be included as a matter of record in the Appendix of the Solid Waste
Management Plan or its Plan Amendment.

YEAS: Dean Kohagen, Tim Fandel, Steve Miller, Kevin Krzeminski, Phil Smith,
+ Dave Beswell

NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF CLINTON

Name of local unit: WESTPHALIA TWP.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO CLINTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE
MANGEMENT PLAN**

At a regular meeting of the Township held in Westphalia, Michigan on
June 08, 2015, at 7:00pm.

PRESENT: Supervisor Thelen, Clerk Bierstetel, Treasurer Smith,
Trustee Pung and Trustee Trierweiler

ABSENT: None

The following resolution was offered by Pung and supported by
Trierweiler:

WHEREAS, Clinton County ("County") has adopted a Solid Waste Management Plan
("Plan") under the authority of 1994 PA 451, Part 115 ("Part 115") as amended; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires the Plan to be periodically updated in light of changing
circumstances; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2015, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners adopted a
Plan Amendment in Resolution 2015-7; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires review and approval of the Plan Amendment by at least
67% of the municipalities located within Clinton County; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the Plan Amendment and finds that it
promotes and protects the solid waste needs and interests of the citizens living therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board
approves the proposed Plan Amendment to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the
Clinton County Department of Waste Management at 1307 E. Townsend Road, Suite 102, St.
Johns, MI 48879 and may be included as a matter of record in the Appendix of the Solid Waste
Management Plan or its Plan Amendment.

YEAS: Five (5)

NAYS: Zero (0)

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Westphalia Township
Regular Meeting June 08, 2015
103 Oak St., Westphalia MI, 48894

MINUTES

Supervisor Thelen called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag at 7:00 pm. All board members were present. Guest: Officer Barber, Commissioner Pohl, & Sara Morrison from Briggs Public Library.

A motion was made by Smith, supported by Trierweiler to accept the minutes of the May 11, 2015 regular meeting as submitted. Motion carried.

Guest: Officer Barber updated the board on county enforcement issues, she will be going to classes for a new program called TEAM, and talked about the CodeRED Emergency Notification System. Discussion followed. Commissioner Pohl updated the board on things happening in the County, Tom Olson is the new Parks & Green Space Coordinator, and the County Bond is paid off. Discussion followed. Sara Morrison presented the board with the Annual Report on the Briggs Public Library. Discussion followed.

A motion was made by Bierstetel, supported by Trierweiler to make a donation of \$300.00 to the Briggs Public Library and Portland District Library and an \$800.00 donation to Westphalia Parks and Rec. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Bierstetel, supported by Pung to approve the FOIA Resolution #15-10. Motion carried

Smith presented the invoices to the board and made a motion to approve the invoices for payment, seconded by Pung. Motion carried.

Bierstetel made a motion to accept Portland Area Ambulance Service Agreement for July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016, seconded by Pung. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Pung to approve the following Resolution Approving Amendments to Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan, supported by Trierweiler. A roll call vote was taken Yeas: five (5) Trierweiler, Pung, Smith, Bierstetel & Thelen. Nays: zero (0). Motion carried.

There being no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Trierweiler at 8:50 p.m., supported by Pung. Motion carried.

Next meeting is July 13, 2015

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Bierstetel, Clerk

Alden Thelen, Supervisor

**WATERTOWN CHARTER TOWNSHIP
CLINTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO
CLINTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANGEMENT PLAN**

WHEREAS, Clinton County ("County") has adopted a Solid Waste Management Plan ("Plan") under the authority of 1994 PA 451, Part 115 ("Part 115") as amended; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires the Plan to be periodically updated in light of changing circumstances; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2015, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners adopted a Plan Amendment in Resolution 2015-7; and

WHEREAS, Part 115 requires review and approval of the Plan Amendment by at least 67% of the municipalities located within Clinton County; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Watertown has reviewed the Plan Amendment and finds that it promotes and protects the solid waste needs and interests of the citizens living therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Charter Township of Watertown approves the proposed Plan Amendment to the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Clinton County Department of Waste Management at 1307 E. Townsend Road, Suite 102, St. Johns, MI 48879 and may be included as a matter of record in the Appendix of the Solid Waste Management Plan or its Plan Amendment.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned duly qualified Clerk of Watertown Charter Township, Clinton County, Michigan do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Township Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Watertown, County of Clinton, Michigan at a regular meeting held on July 20, 2015 at 7:00PM prevailing Eastern Time 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.

I further certify that the following Members were present at said meeting: Supervisor Maahs, Clerk Adams, Treasurer Thelen, Trustee Hufnagel, Trustee Overton, and Trustee Weitzel

And that the following Members were absent: Trustee DeLong

A motion to adopt the foregoing resolution was made by Treasurer Thelen and seconded by Trustee Overton.

A vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

Yes: Overton, Weitzel, Maahs, Thelen, Hufnagel, Adams
No: None
Absent: DeLong

Resolution Declared: Adopted.


Deborah G. Adams, Clerk

July 20, 2015
Date

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Lori Welch (#16341)
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2015 SWMP Amendment – adding counties for import/export

- **4 Representatives from Solid Waste Management Industry**
 - Granger – Tonia Olson
 - Friedland Industries – John Lancour
 - Capital Area Recycling & Trash – Lori Welch
 - Padnos – Roger Simon

- **2 Representatives from Environmental Interest Groups**
 - Julie Powers – Green and Healthy Homes
 - Walt Sorg – Mid Michigan Environmental Action Council

- **1 County Government**
 - Anne Hill – Clinton County BOC

- **1 City Government**
 - Dan Coss – City of DeWitt Administrator

- **1 Township Government**
 - Rod Taylor – DeWitt Twp

- **1 Regional Planning Agency**
 - Christine Spitzley – Tri- County Regional Planning

- **1 Industrial Waste Generator**
 - Kurt Ray - Mahle

- **3 General Public**
 - Tim Machowitz
 - Tim Fair
 - Denise Donohue

UPDATED: April 2, 2015

From: [Neese, Katherine](#)
To: [Miller, Christina \(DEQ\)](#)
Subject: RE: Amendment process
Date: Monday, October 26, 2015 2:20:21 PM
Attachments: [2015 SWMP Committee.docx](#)

Please see attached.

Thanks!

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From: Miller, Christina (DEQ) [mailto:MILLERC1@michigan.gov]
Sent: Monday, October 26, 2015 1:41 PM
To: Neese, Katherine
Subject: RE: Amendment process
Importance: High

Can I please get a copy of each of the solid waste management planning committee members and their representation?

Thanks,

Christina Miller

Solid Waste Planning, Reporting and Surcharge Coordinator
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From: Miller, Christina (DEQ)
Sent: Monday, October 26, 2015 11:47 AM
To: 'Neese, Katherine'
Subject: RE: Amendment process

Kate,

I did receive the Clinton County Solid Waste Management Plan Amendment submittal; however, I have not had an opportunity to review the document to confirm that all of the necessary documentation was included. (I hope to get to this soon.) If I find anything that is missing or have any questions I will contact you.

Thanks,

Christina Miller

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From: Neese, Katherine [<mailto:NeeseK@clinton-county.org>]
Sent: Friday, October 23, 2015 2:21 PM
To: Miller, Christina (DEQ)
Subject: Amendment process

Good Afternoon,

I am just writing to follow up on the packet of information we mailed into you in regards to our proposed SWMP amendment. Did you receive the packet and was it complete?

Please let me know if you need any additional information or if you have any questions.

Thanks and have a great weekend,
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