



STATE OF MICHIGAN  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
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DIRECTOR

May 23, 2007

Mr. Gerald O. Corkin, Chair  
Marquette County Board of Commissioners  
234 West Baraga Avenue  
Marquette, Michigan 49855

Dear Mr. Corkin:

The locally-approved Amendment to the Marquette County Solid Waste Management Plan (Plan) Amendment received by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) on April 23, 2007, is hereby approved.

The Plan Amendment adds a note to the Marquette County Landfill facility description to clarify that the maps of the landfill included in the plan are for informational purposes and not to be used to determine consistency with the Plan. The amendment also changes the siting review process not to allow new landfill sites to be sited by the Plan and adds that the Marquette County Landfill is allowed to site unlimited expansions within the 210-acre facility property identified in the facility description, as long as it meets the siting criteria set forth in the Plan. The DEQ has determined that the Plan Amendment complies with the provisions of Part 115, Solid Waste Management, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, and its administrative rules.

The DEQ would like to thank Marquette County for its efforts in addressing its solid waste management issues. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Rhonda Oyer Zimmerman, Chief, Solid Waste Management Unit, Storage Tank and Solid Waste Section, Waste and Hazardous Materials Division, at 517-373-4750.

Sincerely,

Steven E. Chester  
Director  
517-373-7917

cc: Senator Michael Prusi  
Representative Michael Lahti  
Representative Steven Lindberg  
Mr. Alan Feldhauser, Senior Planner, Marquette County  
Mr. Jim Sygo, Deputy Director, DEQ  
Ms. JoAnn Merrick, Senior Executive Assistant to the Director, DEQ  
Ms. Carol Linteau, Legislative Liaison, DEQ  
Mr. George W. Bruchmann, DEQ  
Mr. Steven Sliver, DEQ  
Mr. Robert Schmeling, DEQ  
Ms. Rhonda Oyer Zimmerman, DEQ  
Ms. Becky Beauregard, DEQ  
Marquette County File

**FACILITY DESCRIPTIONS**

Facility Type: Sanitary Landfill

Facility Name: Marquette County Landfill

County: Marquette Location: Town:47NRange: 25WSection(s): 5 & 6

Map identifying location included in Attachment Section:  Yes  No

If facility is an Incinerator or a Transfer Station, list the final disposal site and location for Incinerator ash or Transfer Station wastes:

Public  Private Owner: Mqt. Co. Solid Waste Management Authority

**Operating Status (check)**

- open
- closed
- licensed
- unlicensed
- construction permit
- open, but closure
- pending

**Waste Types Received (check all that apply)**

- residential
- commercial
- industrial
- construction & demolition
- contaminated soils
- special wastes \*
- other: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Explanation of special wastes, including a specific list and/or conditions:

Medical

**Site Size:**

Total area of facility property: 210 acres  
 Total area sited for use: 62 acres  
 Total area permitted: 62 acres  
 Operating: 15 acres  
 Not excavated: 47 acres  
 Current capacity: 5,750,000  tons or  yds<sup>3</sup>  
 Estimated lifetime: 58 years  
 Estimated days open per year: 250 days  
 Estimated yearly disposal volume: 44,000  tons or  yds<sup>3</sup>

(if applicable)

Annual energy production:  
 Landfill gas recovery projects: N/A megawatts  
 Waste-to-energy incinerators: \_\_\_\_\_ megawatts

*\* All of the Marquette County Landfill maps contained in the Appendix section of the Plan are for informational purposes only and are not to be used in the consistency review for any future expansion.*

**SITING REVIEW PROCEDURES****DISPOSAL AREA TYPES NOT AUTHORIZED**

The following solid waste disposal area types may not be sited by this Plan. Any proposal to construct a facility listed herein shall be deemed inconsistent with this Plan.

***New Landfill Sites*****DISPOSAL AREA TYPES AUTHORIZED**

- Transfer stations, processing facilities.
- Wisconsin Electric may site a coal ash landfill on their property located in the N ½ of the SE ¼ of Section 6, Township 48N, Range 25W in Marquette Township.
- ***The Marquette County Landfill may site unlimited expansions within the 210 acre facility property as identified on the facility descriptions on pages II-15 and III-5 so long as it meets the siting criteria set forth by the Plan.***

The Marquette County Landfill has capacity in excess of ten years negating the requirements to include a siting mechanism in this plan update. Though no *new* landfills will be sited by this plan (with noted exception), other disposal area types may be sited in accordance with the criteria provided.

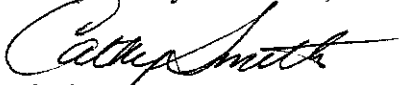
**SITING PROCESS**

**MARQUETTE COUNTY SOLID WASTE PLANNING COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 8, 2007**

1. CALL TO ORDER – The regular meeting of the Marquette County Solid Waste Planning Committee was called to order by Chairperson Baldwin at 7:00 p.m.
2. ROLL CALL – Committee members present were Donald Pyle, Kurt Simandl, Dave Allen, Michael Twohey, Denise Beauchamp, Carr Baldwin, Glen Adams, Bob Pliska, and Gerald Corkin. Staff members present were Al Feldhauser and Cathy Smith.
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – A motion was made by Committee Member Beauchamp, supported by Committee Member Adams to approve the October 26, 2006 minutes as presented.
4. PUBLIC COMMENT – There was none.
5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Mr. Feldhauser requested the communication from the Planning Commission be added to the agenda as item 6a. A motion was made by Committee Member Corkin and supported by Committee Member Twohey to approve the agenda as amended.
6. COMMUNICATIONS
  - a. Memo from the Marquette County Planning Commission (DPA) – Chairperson Baldwin read the memo into the record. It was the consensus of the Committee file the communication.
7. OLD BUSINESS – There was none.
8. NEW BUSINESS
  - a. Plan Amendment – Chairperson Baldwin read the proposed amendments to the Solid Waste Management Plan. A motion was made by Committee Member Adams, supported by Committee Member Allen and passed by a 9-0 vote, to approve and accept the amendments as presented.

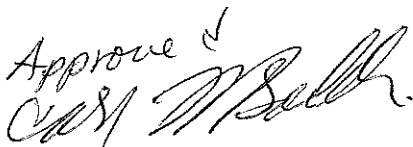
Mr. Feldhauser advised the recommendation to approve from the Committee will go the County Board Committee of the Whole meeting on February 13<sup>th</sup> and to the full County Board of Commissioners on February 20<sup>th</sup>. It will then require a two-thirds local approval by the 22 municipalities.
9. PUBLIC COMMENT – There was none.
10. ADJOURNMENT – At 7:15 p.m., a motion was made by Committee Member Twohey, supported by Committee Member Pyle and carried unanimously to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,



Cathy Smith

Administrative Aide

Approve ✓  


*The attached minutes are subject to correction and approval*

Chairperson Corkin opened the meeting for public comment, none was forthcoming.

It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Pellow, and carried by voice vote 7 Ayes to 1 Abstention (Comm. Bergdahl) that Claims and Accounts for the period March 3, 2007 through March 16, 2007 in the amount of \$458,393.74, including expenditure check No. 81302 in the amount of \$877.75 made payable to Bergdahl's (Affidavit of Disclosure follows), and bi-weekly payroll for the period ending March 10, 2007 in the amount of \$606,324.66 be approved.

AFFIDAVIT OF DISCLOSURE  
PURSUANT TO MCL 15.323(2)(a)

COUNTY OF MARQUETTE )  
 )SS  
STATE OF MICHIGAN )

Charles Bergdahl, a Marquette County Commissioner, being duly sworn, hereby submits this Affidavit pursuant to the provisions of MCL 15.323(2)(a):

1. The Final Disbursement List submitted for approval at this March 20, 2007 meeting of the County Board of Commissioners includes Check No. 081302, dated March 2, 2007, payable to Bergdahl's, Inc. in the amount of \$877.75, in payment for Community Correction supplies;
2. I hereby disclose that I have a personal financial interest in Bergdahl's, Inc., which is as follows:  
  
90% Shareholder
3. I hereby certify that any direct benefit I personally will receive from this payment to Bergdahl's Inc. will be less than \$250.00, and will be less than 5% of the total payment of \$877.75.

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007.

/s/

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Charles Bergdahl

It was moved by Comm. Cihak, seconded by Comm. Heikkila, and unanimously carried by voice vote that the agenda be approved with the addition of Item 11a) Pathways Appointments.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

There were no informational items for approval.

ACTION ITEMS

10a) The County Board considered a memo from Carr Baldwin, Chair, Solid Waste Management Planning Committee, regarding an Amendment to the County of Marquette Solid Waste Management Plan. Al Feldhauer, Senior Planner, was present and explained that the Solid Waste Management Planning Committee (SWMPC), working in conjunction with the Marquette County Planning Commission, had created a text amendment to the Plan to facilitate a minor expansion at the Marquette County Landfill. The text was released for a 90-day public review/comment period which concluded with a public hearing held February 7, 2007. The amendment was released for an additional 30-day comment and subsequent hearing scheduled for Monday, March 19, 2007.

Mr. Feldhauer further stated that the SWMPC has approved the text. He explained that should the County Board concur, the proposed Amendment will be distributed to all municipalities within the County. It

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will require two-thirds local approval by the 22 member municipalities before subsequent submittal to the Department of Environmental Quality for final approval.

It is the recommendation of the Solid Waste Management Planning Committee that the Marquette County Board of Commissioners approve the proposed Amendment.

It was moved by Comm. Bergdahl, seconded by Comm. Arsenault, and unanimously carried by voice vote that the County Board approve the proposed Amendment to the County of Marquette Solid Waste Management Plan.

10b) The County Board considered a Loan Renewal Request from Robert C. Adams, Regnos, LLC. Scott Erbisch, Sawyer Operations Manager, was present and explained that the IRP Loan Committee met on March 12, 2007 to review the loan renewal request, and recommends that the County Board approve the terms as follows:

Borrower: Robert C. Adams, Regnos, LLC.  
 Purpose: Renewal of existing loan since alternative/traditional financing not approved.  
 Amount: Approximately \$112,000.  
 Purpose: Renewal of existing loan. Mr. Adams attempted to refinance the loan as per the existing loan conditions, but was subsequently denied funding.  
 Rate: 10.5% (prime plus 2 points, plus Wells Fargo Fee). Loan based on seven years with a 2-year payback. Final payment to be a balloon payment.  
 Terms: Monthly payments of principal and interest.  
 Collateral: Same as current loan – personal guarantees of those owning 20% or more of the business and a position on equipment.

Mr. Erbisch further explained the project summary:

On December 14, 2001, Regnos, LLC, now Alta Surgery, closed on a 5-year \$200,000 IRP loan. A lump sum final payment was due December 14, 2006. Regnos, LLC, has kept their loan current.

In December, 2006, Regnos, LLC, requested a 60-day extension of their loan to seek alternative funding so that the lump sum payment could be made. The County Board granted the extension request with a requirement that Regnos, LLC, continue to make monthly payments on the loan.

Regnos, LLC, did seek alternative financing but was subsequently denied a loan. Since alternative financing has been denied, the IRP Loan Committee has reviewed the request for a renewal of the outstanding loan balance of approximately \$112,000. This renewal is not providing Regnos, LLC, with additional funding. Since Alta Surgical is not located at Sawyer, it would not be eligible for additional funding.

It was moved by Comm. Arsenault, seconded by Comm. Pellow, and unanimously carried by voice vote that the County Board approve the renewal of the IRP Loan to Robert C. Adams, Regnos, LLC, according to the terms outlined above.

10c) The County Board considered a memo from Scott Erbisch, Sawyer Operations Manager, regarding an IRP Loan to Stop N' Shop Convenience Store. Mr. Erbisch explained the IRP Loan Committee met on March 12, 2007, to discuss a \$50,000 loan request from Ted Finco, owner of ACA & Associates, Ltd, a/k/a Stop N' Shop, and recommends that the County Board approve the terms as follows:

Borrower: Ted Finco, Stop N' Shop.  
 Amount: \$50,000.  
 Purpose: Expand inventory, safety, and security updates; update video rental equipment, repayment of current IRP loan, working capital.

CERTIFICATION

I Janice R. Mason, Deputy Clerk of the County of Marquette, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that the attached minutes (March 20, 2007) were adopted by the Marquette County Board of Commissioners at their Regular Meeting held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2007.

Sworn to by me on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2007

  
Janice R. Mason, Deputy County Clerk