

Tuesday, October 22, 2024
4:30 P.M.

Tomahawk City Hall
23 N 2nd St – City Council Chambers

**COMMITTEE
MEMBERS**

PAT HASKIN
DISTRICT 1

ED NYSTROM
DISTRICT 1

WILL GARSKE
DISTRICT 2

TADD WEGENER
DISTRICT 3

MIKE LOKA
DISTRICT 3
CHAIRPERSON

AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** (During this item on the agenda the Committee listens to oral comments from members of the public on non-agenda items. When speaking please state your name and limit your time to five minutes.)
3. **MINUTES**
 - A. December 22, 2020
4. **OTHER BUSINESS**
 - A. Request from Republic Services to review Solid Waste and Recycling Services for the City of Tomahawk
 - B. 2025 Solid Waste & Recycling Budget
 - C. Set 2025 Solid Waste and Recycling Fees
5. **NEXT MEETING**
 - a. At the Call of the Chairperson
6. **ADJOURN**

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1 **MINUTES OF THE SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING COMMITTEE**
2 **City of Tomahawk**
3 **City Council Chambers**
4 **February 23, 2022**
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6 **Call to Order:** MIKE LOKA called the meeting of the Solid Waste and Recycling Committee to order
7 at 5:47 p.m.
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9 **Roll Call:** Members present were Pat Haskin, Mike Loka, Ed Nystrom and Will Garske. Absent was
10 Tadd Wegener.
11 Also present was Clerk-Treasurer Amanda L. Bartz, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Miranda Freeman,
12 Street Leadsperson Nick Rosenmeier
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14 **Public Comments:** There were no public comments.
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16 **Minutes of Previous Meetings:** HASKIN MOVED to approve the December 22, 2020 minutes as
17 presented and GARSKE seconded. The VOTE was unanimous.
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19 **Other Business:** Request from Republic Services (Formally Eagle Waste and Recycling) to Utilize
20 Other Landfills in Exchange for Equal Refuse Tonnage at the Lincoln County Landfill.
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22 Jose Flores, Republic Services, states that they are trying to route their drivers to get off the road
23 sooner and if they divert the waste, it will cut a leg off their trip. He stated that this would be more
24 efficient.
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26 MIKE LOKA stated that this is a huge liability for the municipality. He stated that with municipal
27 waste, there is a responsibility to help with any clean up at the landfill. He stated that he is not in
28 favor of this request and our waste needs to go to Lincoln County Landfill.
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30 Jeff Kahle, Council President, stated that we need to limit our liability exposure and keep waste to
31 one landfill, Lincoln County's Landfill. He stated that when the City of Merrill closed their landfill
32 the City of Tomahawk had a payment that we had to make for our responsibility to any clean up.
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34 Flores thanked the Committee for the opportunity to present.
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36 GARSKE MOVED to deny the request and MIKE LOKA seconded. The VOTE was unanimous.
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38 2022 Solid Waste Rates

39 The Committee reviewed the current rates, MIKE LOKA MOVED to look into an increase in Solid
40 Waste rates and HASKIN seconded. The VOTE was unanimous.
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42 **Set time and date of the next meeting:** The next meeting of the Solid Waste and Recycling
43 Committee will be at the call of the Chairperson.
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45 **Meeting Adjournment:** GARSKE MOVED to adjourn the meeting and MIKE LOKA seconded. The
46 VOTE was unanimous. The meeting of the Solid Waste and Recycling Committee was adjourned at
47 6:01 p.m.



October 1, 2024

Sustainability in Action

Dear City of Tomahawk,

As a valued partner for the cities refuse service needs, I would like to request a meeting with the Solid Waste & Recycling committee to discuss the following items.

- Current performance of Republic Services regarding residential collection of MSW & Recycling.
- Adoption of the contracts for commercial services provided to the City of Tomahawk in the Residential service contract.
 - (Currently, these are held under separate service contracts)
- Evaluation of the language in the contract regarding "Reasonable efforts to dispose of collected MSW to Lincoln County Landfill" and consideration of amending to allow us to determine the most cost-effective disposal outlet.
- Discuss the market conditions VS current rates in the contract/charged to evaluate an appropriate service rate due to post pandemic inflation.

I look forward to hearing back to determine when we can schedule this meeting.

Thank you,

Tyler Jacobson
Municipal Sales Manager