

**Official Proceedings of the
Northeast Michigan Materials Management Authority (NMMMA)
April 24, 2025 - 9:30 AM**

The Northeast Michigan Materials Management Authority (NMMMA) met in Regular session on Thursday, April 24, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. at the Charter Township of Alpena, 4385 US-23 N., Alpena, MI 49707.

Directors Present:	Cindy Johnson	City of Alpena
	Rachel Smolinski	City of Alpena
	Laura Ellery-Somers	Charter Township of Alpena
	Bill LaHaie	County of Alpena
	John Kozlowski	County of Alpena
	Mary Thomson	Long Rapids Township
	Julia Silkworth	Maple Ridge Township
	Gary Stephan	Sanborn Township
	Ron Lucas	Wellington Twp. (arrived at
9:45)	Don Gilmet	Wilson Township
Directors Absent:	Abbi Kaszubowski	Charter Township of Alpena
	Eric Smith	Green Township
	Randy Fairbanks	Ossineke Township
Others Present:	Bailey Barr	Executive Director
Other(s) via Zoom:	None	Equipment inoperable

Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken: the following Board Directors were present: Chair Johnson, Vice-Chair Kozlowski, Treasurer Smolinski, Secretary Silkworth, Director

Ellery-Somers, Director LaHaie, Director Thomson, Director Stephan, Director Lucas (arrived at 9:45 a.m.), and Director Gilmet. Absent: Director Kaszubowski, Director Smith and Director Fairbanks.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Director LaHaie and supported by Director Thomson to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

APPROVAL FOR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR BARR TO HAVE ACCESS TO BANK ACCOUNTS AT ALPENA ALCONA AREA CREDIT UNION

Moved by Director Gilmet and supported by Director Stephan to approve the March 27, 2025 Minutes as presented and to refer all NMMMA bank account access at Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union for Executive Director Bailey Barr to the May 29, 2025 meeting. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

MARCH FINANCIAL REPORTS

Treasurer Smolinski presented the March 2025 financial reports from Alpena County and due to the ice storm, the NMMMA financials will be presented at the May 29, 2025 meeting.

March 2025 Financial Reports (reports from County Treasurer)

- a) Balance Sheet period ending 3-31-25
- b) Revenue and Expenditure Report ending 3-31-25

Moved by Director Ellery-Somers and supported by Director Gilmet to approve the financial reports as presented. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

**NMMMA BOND AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION
APPROVING CONTRACT AND AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS NOT TO
EXCEED \$1,600,000.00 RECYCLING SYSTEM BONDS**

Attorney Ronald Liscombe, presented by phone an opportunity for the Board to ask questions concerning the Resolution approving contract and authorize the issuance of bonds not to exceed \$1,600,000.00 recycling system bonds, series 2025. Attorney Liscombe stated a separate account would need to be opened for the bonds because of figuring interest for bond holders, who would be responsible for paying their own taxes because the bonds are considered tax-exempt for the issuer(s). Secretary Silkworth asked if she as Secretary would need to file the paperwork as stated on page 21, and Attorney Liscombe stated their firm would execute that on NMMMA's behalf.

Recommended Motion: Moved by Director Ellery-Somers and supported by Director Thomson to approve RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT AND AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS NOT TO EXCEED \$1,600,000.00 RECYCLING system Bonds, SERIES 2025 and authorize the NMMMA Chair and Secretary to sign the document.

Roll call was taken: AYES: Chair Johnson, Vice-Chair Kozlowski, Treasurer Smolinski, Secretary Silkworth, Director Ellery-Somers, Director LaHaie, Director Thomson, Director Stephan, Director Lucas and Director Gilmet. NAYS: None. Absent: Director Kaszubowski, Director Smith and Director Fairbanks. Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Executive Director Bailey Barr presented the April Bin Report as follows:

As of 4/19. Total: 52 Wilson-1, Sanborn-5, Maple Ridge-2, Long Rapids-2, Green Twp-2, Alpena Twp- 4, NLA 36

Executive Director Barr stated that bin pick-ups were lower this month due to the ice storm and having to close the Recycle facility for a couple of days. Another plastics bin was added to Sanborn Township for a total of three (3) bins

at that location.

Clean up day contributions update:

Unpaid:

Alpena County- \$5,000

Green Township- \$1,000

Maple Ridge Township- \$1,000

Total Unpaid= \$7,000

Executive Director Barr indicated that since this report had been written Alpena County and Maple Ridge had made their contributions.

Paid:

City of Alpena- \$7,500

Sanborn Township- \$500

Ossineke Township- \$1,000

Wellington Township- \$200

Charter Township of Alpena- \$5,000

Wilson Township- \$1,000

For Clean-up day May 3, 2025:

BARC for Mattresses, Freon Units, Electronics- 3 trailers

Environmental Rubber for tires- 1 trailer

Holcim for tires- 2 trailers

Discount Disposal for Garbage - two compaction trucks & 17 Yard Rolloff

A&L- 2 Rolloffs

Volunteers:

Chair Johnson, Treasurer Smolinski and her son, Director Gilmet, four of Executive Director Barr's family members, City Council Karol Walchak, and the Alpena hockey team (roughly 15 students).

Pepsi and Coke offered to provide donations.

Set up time on Friday will be at 2:30 p.m.

Bin Locations Options:

WBKB requested (\$300 site prep cost) and will include fencing. We would be able to put four to five bins on their property and this would include fencing along Bagley Street, funded by NMMMA.

Alpena High School can no longer allow the recycle bins on their property due to poor logistics and too much traffic flow.

Moose Lodge is willing to be a recycle bin location.

Update on D&K 2nd Western Star Hooktruck:

Executive Director Barr stated that the purchase of a second truck be put on hold at this time.

Shredder Discussion:

The Board discussed a couple of different options about the shredder and it was decided to sell it at the best possible price.

Moved by Director LaHaie and supported by Director Gilmet to sell the paper shredder for the best possible price. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Payment for hosting clean up day update:

Executive Director Barr stated that there was no charge to use Northern Lights Arena for clean-up day. Great Lakes will be cleaning up afterwards. Bins need be moved off the Northern Lights Arena property by Wednesday, May 9, 2025.

Refurbishing Recycling Bins:

Executive Director Barr stated that several of the recycle bins are rusting through and needed repair to preserve them. He got a quote from Mobile Blast

Man in Hillman for \$816.00 per bin to sandblast and a quote from Z&D Automotive for \$2,400.00 to put two coats of epoxy primer, then paint the exterior and bottoms of the bins with the new color. The Board decided that Executive Director Barr should look for the "best" salvageable bin to start with and one could be done this year and the process could be re-evaluated in one year to see how the refurbished bin held up. The bins will be labeled in order to keep track of which bin(s) have been refurbished.

An Amended motion was made by Treasurer Smolinski and supported by Director LaHaie to authorize Executive Director Barr to have one salvageable bin refurbished not to exceed \$4,500.00.

Roll call was taken: AYES: Chair Johnson, Vice-Chair Kozlowski, Treasurer Smolinski, Secretary Silkworth, Director Ellery-Somers, Director LaHaie, Director Thomson, Director Stephan, Director Lucas and Director Gilmet. NAYS: None. Absent: Director Kaszubowski, Director Smith and Director Fairbanks. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Director Ellery-Somers and supported by Treasurer Smolinski to receive and file Executive Director Barr's monthly report. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Old Business:

10:35 a.m. Director Gilmet left the meeting.

Holcim Glass Agreement and Addendum

Moved by Treasurer Smolinski and supported by Director LaHaie to approve Holcim glass agreement and addendum as presented and authorize the NMMMA Executive Director to sign the agreement. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Execution of the Act 233 Contract between NMMMA and Alpena County.

Moved by Director Ellery-Somers and supported by Treasurer Smolinski to approve the the execution of the Act 233 Contract between Northeast Michigan

Materials Management Authority and Alpena County pledging their full faith and credit of NMMMA issued bonds not to exceed \$1.6 million for Improvements to the Recycling System, and to authorize the Chair to sign.

Roll call was taken: AYES: Chair Johnson, Vice Chair Kozlowski, Treasurer Smolinski, Secretary Silkworth, Director Ellery-Somers, Director LaHaie, Director Thomson, Director Stephan Director Lucas. NAYS: None. Absent: Director Kaszubowski, Director Smith, Director Fairbanks and Director Gilmet (left at 10:35 a.m.). Motion carried unanimously.

New Business:

D&K/ MTECH hook truck increase.

Executive Director Barr stated that MTech increased the price of the first hook truck by \$1,500.00. Treasurer Smolinski stated she would reach out to MTech and request a reason for the increase and also express the Board's disappointment in raising the fee after the fact.

Moved by Director Ellery-Somers and supported by Treasurer Smolinski to approve the \$1,500.00 increase for MTECH's equipment install. New total hook truck price would be \$242,366.00

Roll call was taken: AYES: Chair Johnson, Vice-Chair Kozlowski, Treasurer Smolinski, Secretary Silkworth, Director Ellery-Somers, Director LaHaie, Director Thomson, Director Stephan and Director Lucas. NAYS: None. Absent: Director Kaszubowski, Director Smith, Director Fairbanks, and Director Gilmet. Motion carried unanimously.

Iosco County Agreement regarding Recyclable Materials:

A Processing and Marketing draft agreement was provided at the meeting by Treasurer Smolinski between Iosco County and NMMMA for recycling services. The Board discussed its benefits along with the fact that Iosco County has other recycling service options. Iosco County hasn't viewed or approved as of this date. Iosco County currently has a millage. They will be putting out a RFP for hauling. The draft will be brought back to the May meeting.

GRANTS AND FUNDRAISING UPDATE

MRF FUNDING

MRF funding update was presented by Treasurer Smolinski stating that Bonds should be available in June 2025. The \$2.7 million dollar MRF funding approval/agreement would be brought forth with NMMMA as co-applicants for appropriations and submitted through the County of Alpena and put in their name instead of NMMMA's name. Conversation will take place with Jesse Osmer, Administrator. This matter would be brought back to the Board.

NEXT MEETING

Next meeting date: May 22, 2025 at 9:30 a.m.

Executive Director Barr requested that the next meeting be moved to May 29, 2025 due to being out of town, along with Vice-Chair Kozlowski.

Moved by Chair Johnson and supported by Director LaHaie to change the NMMMA meeting date from May 22, 2025 to May 29, 2025 at 9:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Director LaHaie and supported by Treasurer Smolinski to adjourn. Voice vote, Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m..

Secretary Silkworth

Chair Johnson