

Charlevoix County
Materials Management Planning Committee Minutes
September 25, 2025 at 10:00 AM
GFL Transfer Station and Materials Recovery Facility
1280 Hughes Dr Traverse City, MI 49696

MMPC Member Attendance			
Victor VanDeventer rep. of a solid waste disposal facility	P	Annemarie Conway elected official of the county	E
Kirk Miller rep. of a hauler	E	Robin Hissong-Berry elected official of a township	P
Andre Grobaski rep. of a materials recovery facility (MRF)	E	Tim Nemecek elected official of a city or village	E
Vacancy rep. of a composting facility	-	Jonathan Scheel business rep. generating material	P
Mark Bevelhymer rep. of waste diversion, reuse, or reduction	P	Isha Pithwa rep. of the regional planning area	P
Kyra Allen rep. of an environmental interest group	P	Josh Chamberlain additional member per part 115	E
		Attendance Key: A – Absent	P – Present E - Excused Absence
Staff in Attendance: Kiersten Stark (Charlevoix County), Josh Cline (Charlevoix County), Mathew Cooke (DPA-Networks Northwest)			

I. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance

Jonathan Scheel, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

II. Public Comment

None.

Motion by Victor VanDeventer, supported by Robin Hissong-Berry, to recess the meeting for the GFL walking tour. Motion carried unanimously.

Jonathan Scheel recalled the meeting back to order at 11:31 a.m.

III. Review Proposed Agenda

Motion by Victor VanDeventer, supported by Robin Hissong-Berry, to approve the September 25, 2025 MMPC agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion by Robin Hissong-Berry, supported by Kyra Allen, to approve the August 28, 2025 MMPC Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

V. Materials Management Planning

a. Process Update

Mathew Cooke provided an update on the MMP process:

- Pushing 1000 survey responses with 366 from Charlevoix County
- Scheduling and conducting Hauler and Operator Survey/Interviews
- Continue pushing community survey through social media, press release, community events, meetings
- Business survey needs a boost, will be pursued in October
- LUG Survey and data collection continues.

b. MMP Discussion

MMPC members discussed the MMP process and GFL tour.

- Potential events
 - Boyne City Expo
 - Beaver Island Community Center
 - NHS - Recycling Promotion
- Large Scale property recycling (apartments, condos, etc.)
- Construction waste removal from Beaver Island
- Compost barrels - how to support individual residents composting
- Emmet County has a hauler for food waste
- Recycling drop-off center micro-grants

- Top Goal is education and outreach
- Another goal is to ensure we have enough access, locations, and security for drop-off sites
- How can we spread costs and man power throughout the County
- Need clarification on landfill numbers for Charlevoix County (high industrial waste numbers)
- Josh Cline to provide 2025 HHW numbers and statistics
- Charlevoix County Recycling Millage vote in 2028
- How to recycle furniture, tires, etc.

VI. Committee Member Comments

None.

VII. Public Comment

None.

VIII. Adjourn

Jonathan Scheel adjourned the September 25, 2025 meeting at 12:29 pm.