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February 19, 2026

1. Bring Meeting to Order: Meeting brought to order at 7:05 p.m.

2. Board members and Alternates Present:

Paige Zeigler (Montville)

Phil Bloomstein (Freedom)

Diana Hauser (Unity)

Michael Berry (Thorndike)

Kip Penney (Knox)

Rose Zoller (Troy)

Ross Nason (Dixmont)

Mac McInnes (Thorndike-ALT)

Leigh Juskevics (Manager)

Board Members & Alternates Absent:

Lee Lakin (Unity)

Jeri Roberts (Jackson-ALT)

Penny Stevens (Knox-ALT)

[Currently, there are no Alternates representing the Towns of Troy, Unity, Freedom, Montville and Dixmont]

[Currently, there is no Board Member from the Town of Jackson]

3. Agenda Adjustments:

a request for our March Meeting to be held on ZOOM

a Motion was Made, Seconded and Approved

[the Thursday, March 19th Board Meeting will be held via Zoom]

[If there are any problems/issues with ZOOM, please contact Paige, Phil or Diana]

4. Approve the November 20, 2026 Board Minutes:

A Motion was Made, Seconded and Approved.

5. Manager's Report:

Manager's Report February 19 2026 from Leigh

Several years ago, Board Member Jenny Tibbetts suggested we bank our funds in an account to generate higher returns. We moved our sales revenue account into a money market account and our interest income from 2025 was \$1599.74!
Thank you Jenny!

I found a new electrician who does 3 phase hook ups. He went over the system requirements from CMP. I don't have official quotes from either of them, but they BOTH estimate \$10 - \$15,000. We have no budget surplus that can handle the costs.

I sent the annual report/budget to member towns on January 8.

We shipped a load of baled tin/steel/aluminum, a load of mixed plastics and a load of mixed e-waste. We also had refrigerators hauled for scrap.

I've updated the safety data sheets and workplace posters.

As of this week the DEP hasn't selected a stewardship organization to manage the EPR program. Vanessa Berry from NRCM says they're a few months behind

schedule from the original plan.

The EPR requires new reporting requirements that detail the costs of recycling packaging. This includes the cost of labor managing the packaging stream, equipment costs, structure costs, energy costs and maintenance costs.

I heard from Rowan, the Eagle Scout candidate, about our sign. He's had to transfer to a different troop, but that just means more scouts to work on it this Spring. More to come!

One of our employees is leaving. His last day will be 2/28. I've rehired a former employee and he will be starting March 3.

Glass - someone may be starting something new with glass. They're trying to put something together and wondered if we'd be willing to sort it by color - 3/4 bins - and they'd collect it for free.

6. Reports/Information:

No news/information from the Town of Jackson as to a new Board Member. a suggestion was made to send the Board meeting Agendas to member towns. Rose volunteered to be interim treasurer (since Jenny moved).

A Motion was Made, Seconded and Approved.

7. Reminder:

Next Board Meeting to be held on Thursday March 19 at 7:00.

This will be a ZOOM meeting.

8. Adjournment:

A Motion was Made, Seconded and Approved to adjourn at 7:53 p.m.

9. Minutes submitted:

Diana Hauser (Unity) UARRC Secretary