



Economic Development Committee

215 S. East Street

Carlinville, IL 62626

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Regular Meeting

~ Minutes ~

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

6:00 PM

County Board Room

I. CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT: Armour, Starr, Lewis, Rull, Schmidt, Vojas

ABSENT: Reiher

II. AGENDA ITEMS

1. New Recycling Proposal from BH Computers for old electronics and cardboard
Brian Dickerson with BLH Computers from Springfield presented regarding computer and electronic recycling. They are the largest firm in central Illinois for that. Illinois has a law that requires electronic equipment not be thrown in a landfill. There is a program the state has that allows for a county to opt-in but the state then dictates where and when events can happen. Randy Duncan with We-Care Recycling reached out to him asking about if BLH Computers would be interested in taking over the We-Care Recycling facility. In counties where they have a permanent facility, the county pays the total cost, at about a cost of .50 cents per person, and allows for residents to recycling all of their electronic equipment such as TVs, computer monitors etc. The facilities that have opened that have not covered the costs for all their residents have all closed since there is not enough participation. For Macoupin, the cost would be \$20,000 a year for a five year commitment. The committee discussed paying for the first year now and working on trying to get additional partners in funding from cities, schools and businesses.

Motion by Lewis, seconded by Rull to recommend the contract

RESULT:	MOTION TO RECOMMEND [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Shielda Lewis, Member
SECONDER:	Gary Rull, Member
AYES:	Armour, Starr, Lewis, Rull, Schmidt, Vojas
ABSENT:	Reiher