**SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE 2024**

**FEBRUARY MINUTES**

Attendance: David Kuderer, Eric Devine, Nodji Van Wychen, Remy Gomez

Absent: Keith Giraud

Solid Waste (SW) Director, Dave Heser, SW Coordinator, Dawn Pingel

Guests: Terry Taylor-River View Operator

Meeting was called to order by Chair, David Kuderer, at 5:01 p.m.

Approval of the January 2024 Committee Meeting Minutes (Discussion/Action): Motion to approve the January Committee Meeting Minutes by Remy Gomez, 2nd by Eric Devine

**Landfill and Departmental Operations**

*General Activities/Tonnage/Revenue/Load/Leachate Report*: SW Director, Dave Heser, reported gross tonnage is a little lower than historical tonnage, but the month of January had more asbestos and fire loads that helped keep the tonnage up; Due to road bans being implemented the beginning of February, leachate hauling is down to half loads and only being hauled on Monday’s and Friday’s. The cells are not producing a lot of leachate, partially due to the clay capping that was done. When leachate is hauled, it has been five (5) half loads.

*January 2024 Financial Report*: SW Director, Dave Heser, went over the department’s financials and noted a deposit would be going in the following day. Most of the 2023 outstanding accounts have paid up which is better than years past. Recycling will have a negative balance until the recycling grant is received. Sand Creek has not had any activity this year. Ridgeville I is still having leachate hauled out and once the ground is firm, an ‘audit’ of each well will be completed and any having leachate present will be pumped dry.

**Credit Card Limit Increase Approval** (Discussion/Action): SW Director, Dave Heser, explained the current credit card limit for the department is $1,000 and certain times of the year, expenses needing a credit card payment will be above the limit. The department is asking that the new limit be set to $2,500. Motion to approve the credit card limit to $2,500 by Eric Devine, 2nd by Nodji Van Wychen.

**Resolution Approving Loan to Solid Waste Dept. for Phase 5 New Cell Construction Project** (Discussion/Action): SW Director, Dave Heser, let the committee know that ideas had been talked about with the department on how to best fund the Phase 5 new cell construction and determining the best course of action. Two ideas/options are being considered:

1. General Fund Cash Reserves with a 4% APY – five (5) equal annual payments
2. Worst Case Closure Account with a 1% APY using a Letter of Credit

SW Director, Dave Heser, showed a handout, outlaying the two options. Questions regarding the Worst Case Closure Account have been asked to the WI-DNR rep, with minimal response. The main questions regarding the letter of credit have yet to be addressed by the WI-DNR. This resolution was presented to the Finance Committee at their meeting this morning, but was tabled due to the questions not having been answered yet. Motion to table Resolution 01-24-03 until the WI-DNR responds with answers to the Letter of Credit by Eric Devine, 2nd by Nodji Van Wychen.

**Fiscal Note Approval**:  Resolution Setting Change Order Levels for Solid Waste Phase 5 New Cell Construction Project (Discussion/Action): SW Director, Dave Heser, explained the resolution on the change order levels during the construction project, which will have some and looking to stream line the process so construction is not held up with getting approvals. The project is expected to be approximately three (3) months. It was noted that the resolution was preapproved by the Finance Committee this morning, pending the SW Committee approval. SW Director, Dave Heser, gave an example of what change order could take place during construction to help clarify the resolution and its intention(s). Remy Gomez questioned doing a percentage instead versus a dollar amount(s). Discussion followed. Motion to postpone and review next month by Remy Gomez, 2nd by Eric Devine. Nodji Van Wychen did advise to keep in mind to limit the number of times that items would need to come in front of the County Board to have approvals.

**Line Item Transfers for Solid Waste and Recycling Budgets** (Discussion/Action): SW Director, Dave Heser, explained to the committee the line items in the 2023 budget that needed funds moved to cover other line items which is typical with end of the year budgets. Motion to approve the line item transfers by Remy Gomez, 2nd by Eric Devine.

Manager’s Report: SW Director, Dave Heser, reported the WIRMC Conference will be February 28 – March 1st at the Chula Vista in Wisc. Dells.

Set Next Meeting Date: March 20, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn at 5:45 p.m. by Eric Devine, 2nd by Nodji Van Wychen.