



Monroe County Solid Waste Management

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COMMITTEE MINUTES May 15, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Paul Steele, Vice Chair Keith Giraud. Committee members: Alan McCoy, Gregg Vinslauski, and James Schroeder.

MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

OTHERS PRESENT: Solid Waste Department: Gail Frie-Manager and Shelly Schulze-Assistant Manager. Riverview Construction: Randy Weinkauf-Owner and Terry Taylor-Equipment Operator. Ayres and Associates: Ryan Shimko PE and Michael Leopold-Environmental Engineer, Oakridge Engineering: Erik Lietz-PE/Owner and Frank Vrawink PE, Modern Disposal Systems: Jerry Martell-Owner and Citizen Clay Giraud.

Frie called for brief name introduction from each person in the room for the benefit of new board members.

1. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm by Chair Steele at the Solid Waste Office, Norwalk, WI.
2. **WELCOME NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS:** Having already done introductions before the meeting, Steele called for an election of a Vice Chairman with the new committee. Manager Frie instructed Chair Steele that this position will always be (by long-standing agreement) the person in the position of Town of Ridgeview Chair. Therefore, Keith Giraud is the standing Vice Chair. Giraud stated he was open to a change if anyone so desired to take it over. Steele asked if there were any objections to Giraud as Vice Chair, and hearing none, Keith Giraud will remain the Vice Chair of the Solid Waste Committee.
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Frie gave a brief overview of landfill operations, discussed the various landfill names and locations of each landfill, the feasibility study currently underway for the new landfill Ridge III, including where and how it is planned. Committee member Schroeder asked several questions regarding landfill structure and operation.
4. **DISCUSSION/ACTION: APPROVE MEETING MINUTES APRIL 2018.** Steele asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes of April 2018. Giraud motioned for approval and was seconded by McCoy. All ayes. Motion carried 5-0.
5. **DISCUSSION: LANDFILL AND DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS**
TONNAGE/REVENUE/LOAD/LEACHATE REPORT:
 - a. Frie went over the monthly sales chart and corresponding color-coded graph which detailed percentages of increase/decrease in the listed categories through the month of April YTD compared to previous years.
We are up 1.72% YTD in revenue over last YTD, up 1% from last year in number of loads, and down 2.74% in landfill tonnage. Loads are down for the four month period due to a large demo project last winter (TeePee Supper Club). Leachate hauled for the month was up 4879 gallons. Frie told the committee that business was good so far in May, and the numbers will be up next month due to some new demolition projects.
 - b. Frie went over the April 2018 Financial Report, which shows a facility reserve balance of \$514,482.00 and a checkbook balance of \$306,714.00. Monthly operations showed a negative balance of (\$50,366.00) and a net Solid Waste funds balance for the month of (\$79,936.00) April 30. This number is dependent on hauler cash flow receipt date: If large payments arrive after End-of-Month (EOM dating on invoices), they will not appear on this report until the following month. Frie mentioned we received the Recycling Grant from the WDNR of \$144,411.00. This will appear on the financial report next month. Discussion ensued about the troubled recycling markets due to China's non-acceptance of recycling materials from the USA. Frie outlined the history of recycling in Monroe County, the changes

made which brought MDS in as our recycler, and Jerry Martell explained the plummeting market and issues to the new board with recyclable materials as it pertains to selling and transporting. A question arose from Chair Steele regarding an entry for Clean Sweep Revenue of \$8,033.00. Schulze explained these are the unacceptable items that we take in and charge fees for on an ongoing basis. Tires, fluorescent lightbulbs and electronics.

Frie updated the new committee as to the definitions of the WDNR controlled LTC (Long Term Care fund) account and the Facility Reserve Account, which is controlled by Monroe County. Frie explained further the various landfill accounts and some history given for Sand Creek, Ridgeville Site I, Ridge II and the future Ridgeville Site III. Frie also informed the committee that he is drawing from the Facility Reserve Fund to pay the \$650,000.00 down payment on the Leachate Treatment Facility loan which will be discussed in detail.

6. **DISCUSSION/ACTION: SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE DUTIES:** Chair Steele handed out a sheet entitled Solid Waste Committee, subtitled 'Four county board members plus Ridgeville Town Chair' as found in Chapter 2, Article IV, Division 3 of the Monroe County Code. The form explains the composition of the board/committee, and the duties expected of the committee in their supervision of the Solid Waste department. Motion made by McCoy to approve, seconded by Steele, all in favor. Motion carried 5-0.
7. **DISCUSSION: LEACHATE PROJECT UPDATE – MUNICIPAL LEASE:** Frie explained the board approved municipal lease through Mid-America Bank Lease Corporation. A partial payment of \$150,000.00 has been made on the \$1,650,000.00 million dollar loan, and the equipment manufacture has commenced. The remaining \$500,000.00 down payment will be made in installments throughout the year. The expected delivery date of equipment is twelve to fourteen weeks out. Explanation was given to the new committee as to the processes that take place to get leachate to a clean state so that we do not need a Waste Water Treatment permit to run the filtration facility.
8. **DISCUSSION: DENSITY STUDY RESULTS:** Frie explained the nature of air space in the landfill as it relates to the contractor's payment for work provided. A bonus is given to Riverview based on the density study over a period of time if the contractor exceeds compaction expectations, or a reduction to his payment if he does not meet compaction. This time around is a 10% bonus to the contractor. Expectations after this density study is that the life remaining in this landfill is to January 2021.
9. **DISCUSSION: CLEAN SWEEP APRIL 28:** Frie explained the history of our hazardous waste Clean Sweep, and will be requesting a check for payment to the Earth Club at Sparta High for having students assist again. He praised the work ethic of the kids unloading vehicles and Schulze appreciate the help with used fluorescent lamp counting/packaging numbering more than 2,000. Schulze explained the ever decreasing grant dollar amount and rising expenses. Veolia mobilizes four to five people for the six hour event, and are very professional and efficient in the collection of hazardous materials. We have approximately five workers assisting with unloading cars of hazardous waste, some unloading appliances, computer equipment, and running tube lighting into the building to be counted and packaged. One person handles strictly tire transactions. Frie thinks the grant will be completely used on the Spring Clean Sweep expenses, and we will have to make a decision whether to hold a Fall Clean Sweep and cover it out of the department revenue.
10. **MANAGER'S REPORT:** Frie mentioned we have approximately 1000 yards of pallets and construction material stockpiled for shredding, however Pientok's operation is busy right now. Erik Lietz suggested we call Express Disposal out of Thorp who also has a similar grinding operation.
11. **SET NEXT MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, June 12, 2018 - 4:00 pm, at the Solid Waste Dept. 20448 Junco Road, Norwalk, WI 54648
12. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Vice Chair Giraud mentioned the landfill smell travels to his house, which is on County Road A near the landfill. Frie discussed turning up the flare. Erik Lietz offered his services to the new committee. He has been involved with this landfill for 10 years: First with Ayres, and now as the Oakridge Engineering PE overseeing the construction of the leachate treatment facility.
13. **ADJOURNMENT:** Chair Steele asked for a motion to adjourn at 5:35 pm. Motion made by and Schroeder to adjourn, seconded by Giraud.