

Monroe County Solid Waste Management

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COMMITTEE MINUTES JULY 19, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Carol Las and Vice Chair Keith Giraud. Committee members: Paul Steele, Mark Halverson, and Dan Olson. **MEMBERS ABSENT:** None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Solid Waste Manager Gail Frie, Solid Waste Assistant Manager Shelly Schulze, Ayres Associates Geologist Lori Rosemore P.G., Oakridge Engineering Owner Erik Lietz P.E., Riverview Construction Owner Randy Weinkauf, Riverview Operator Terry Taylor and Modern Disposal Systems Owner Jerry Martell.

- 1. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 8:34 am by Committee Chair Las at the Solid Waste Office, Norwalk, WI.
- 2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Frie handed out the budget for 2018 and asked the committee to look it over before the next meeting and make any comments. He also commended Terry Taylor, Riverview's Operator, for doing a good job of compacting garbage, which lengthens the life of the landfill.
- 3. **DISCUSSION/ACTION: APPROVE MEETING MINUTES APRIL 2017 with corrections:** Chair Las asked for changes or approval of the May minutes. Schulze mention a correction on item number three; approval of April minutes to read May minutes. A motion was made by Steele to approve the minutes with the correction. The motion was seconded by Olson. All ayes. Motion carried 5-0.
- 4. **DISCUSSION FINANCIAL BUDGET REPORT**: Frie covered the budget report, using information through June 30, 2017. The cash balance is \$301,671.00 but needs to be reduced to \$188,671.00 due to \$113,000.00 surplus 2016 revenue, exceeding the \$250,000.00 allowable transfer from year to year. Facility Reserve is showing \$230,642.00, but should be increased to reflect a \$113,000.00 increase, or \$343,642.00, due to the aforementioned surplus in the checking cash balance that should have been transferred the first of the year. Long Term Care is \$2,425,868.
- 5. DISCUSSION: LANDFILL AND DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITIES TONNAGE/REVENUE/LOAD/LEACHATE REPORT: Frie went over this chart and corresponding graph which detailed percentages of increase/decrease in the above listed categories for the month of June YTD. We are running 3.93% ahead of last year in tonnage, 1% above last year in number of loads and about 5% above last year in revenue. Leachate loads are slightly up, but Gerke will be hauling regularly with the tremendous amount of rain we've seen in the month of June and July thus far.

6. SPRING CLEAN SWEEP/OCTOBER CLEAN SWEEP

- a. Discussion/Action: To Finance October Clean Sweep: We had the largest Clean Sweep event to-date this past Spring, and it used most of the grant monies we had for ag/household chemicals. This grant is normally large enough to cover two events. After discussion, the board felt it a good idea to continue with the second event in October, covering costs from Solid Waste funds. Steele moved to continue with the Fall Clean Sweep and Las seconded. All in favor, 5-0.
- b. Discussion/Action 1-5: Clean Sweep Operational Changes: Frie went over a handout with the board, which contained a list of waste taken in at Clean Sweeps outside the grant approved wastes, along with suggested future pricing of those wastes. Frie suggested limiting households to a set amount of each waste type coming in for free, and charging for excessive amounts above the limitation as our disposal costs are rising. Schulze explained to the Board what items are grant-covered wastes, and which are not.

c. Jerry Martell suggested we contact Lamp Recyclers of Green Bay to discuss bulb disposal costs as an alternative option.

Schulze created a draft of a County-wide flyer that could be mailed out explaining Clean Sweep, pricing on banned-from-landfill items such as tires, oil, filters, batteries, lamps, and also cover County recycling in the same flyer. While there are not many outlets for pesticides, herbicides, and oil based paints outside of the County Clean Sweep dates, there are alternative outlets that exist within the community year-round for disposal of items such as: electronics, tvs, bulbs, tires, batteries, oil and filters. The flyer has citizens looking to the Monroe County Solid Waste website and Facebook for alternative disposal options available in the area year round. This flyer will be refined and brought back at next meeting for discussion.

TV pricing and transportation cost of tv/electronics were discussed. The board agreed on a price of \$15 for screen size less than 25" and \$20 over 25". Steele suggested getting a large menu board with pricing, to display and have available at Clean Sweep for waste pricing.

Steele moved we adopt the suggested pricing schedule changes, and Giraud seconded the motion. All in favor 5-0.

Item 6, working with the High School Earth Club and payment, will be brought back at a future date for a vote once details have been ironed out. Schulze mentioned getting a traffic counter device to use for the event and Steele mentioned highway has one.

- 7. **DISCUSSION/ACTION:** APEX/CLARK TECHNOLOGIES LEACHATE FILTRATION SYSTEM UPDATE: Erik Lietz PE, President of Oakridge Engineering, discussed the discharge permitting that seems to have stalled in Madison. He will continue working alongside Geologist Lori Rosemore from Ayres Associates with aspects of this project by contract. Lietz surmised the lack of progress on this system moving forward being attributed to the Madison WDNR Waste Water division being in uncharted territory with this project and many long-time employees retired this year. Frie suggested calling Joe Van Rossum to try to get some names out of Madison to contact as to the status of our requests. Frie discussed adding an evaporator to the filtration system should the WDNR have issues with the ground water discharge. Frie will be making a call next week to Joe Van Rossum of the WDNR to see if we can't get it back on track with the WDNR. No action at this point.
- 8. **MANAGERS REPORT:** Discussed purchasing items for the landfill using credit card vs. online ordering through Amazon via Munis. Frie explained a recent problem with Amazon orders done through MUNIS. PO change orders requested by Finance Dept. (pricing reductions and shipping issues) triggered new orders on these POs and cause the department to have to cancel and refuse duplicate orders and refuse multiple shipments.

Halverson will notify Frie when credit cards are on the agenda for the finance department, as he would like to attend this meeting. It is desirable to keep our one and only credit card, per Frie. Several member voiced agreement.

- 9. **SET NEXT MEETING DATE**: Monday, August 21, at 8:30 am at the Solid Waste Dept. 20448 Junco Road, Norwalk, WI 54848
- 10. PUBLIC COMMENT: None
- 11. **ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Steele to adjourn, with a second by Giraud at 9:50 am. Motion carried 5-0.

Recorded by: Shelly Schulze