



Monroe County Solid Waste Management

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COMMITTEE MINUTES DECEMBER 12, 2017

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Carol Las and Vice Chair Keith Giraud. Committee members: Paul Steele, Mark Halverson and Dan Olson. Halverson left at 4:30 after action on tires.

OTHERS PRESENT: Solid Waste Manager-Gail Frie, Solid Waste Assistant Manager-Shelly Schulze, Riverview Construction Landfill Operator-Terry Taylor, Ayres Associates Engineer-Ryan Shimko, Modern Disposal Systems Owner-Jerry Martell. Kyle Gibbens-Township of La Grange Supervisor.

1. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 4:05 pm by Committee Chair Las at the Solid Waste Office, Norwalk, WI.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.
3. **DISCUSSION/ACTION: APPROVE MEETING MINUTES NOVEMBER 2017.** Las asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes of November 13, 2017. Steele approved the minutes and was seconded by Giraud. All ayes. Motion carried 5-0.
4. **DISCUSSION: LANDFILL AND DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS**
 - a. **TONNAGE/REVENUE/LOAD/LEACHATE REPORT:** Frie went over the monthly sales chart and corresponding graph which detailed percentages of increase/decrease in the listed categories through the month of November YTD. We are 4.53% ahead of last year in gross tonnage due to a large Ft. Mc Coy demo project and some special situation loads out of the Mauston area last month (hauler Lenorud had logistic issues and needed to reroute loads), 3.1% above last year in number of loads and 4.57% above last year in revenue. Leachate loads are up close 2.9% over last year due to heavy rains again this year. We've --hailed out 4,168,000 gallons this year vs. 4,050,500 last year at this time.
 - b. Frie went over the October **Financial Report** handout, including cash balance and reserve balances. Cash Balance is \$509,292 and Reserve Balance is \$294,368. At this time, Frie discussed with the board why this account is necessary and where it will have us situated in five or six years at the time we are ready for final cover to build the new landfill cell at a cost of approximately 1.25 Million.
5. **DISCUSSION: APEX FILTRATION SYSTEM:** Frie discussed the updated project details with the committee. An ammonia 'scrubber' system will be required to further remove ammonia from the leachate. Without this unit, we cannot discharge water and would need to be waste water treatment certified. Apex was able to rebid and obtain a few reductions of the various bids such as mechanical and electrical which allowed for further cost savings. This combined with concessions made by sales, engineering and equipment manufacturers makes the project costs decrease to 1.65 million from 2 million This project will now cash flow and meets the State's statutory requirements. The committee was reminded of our lack of waste water treatment options and our only other option currently is to haul to the Twin Cities per WDNR should Sparta WWTP not be available. The logistics and costs of this scenario hauling to Twin Cities, even temporarily, would be a financial and logistical challenge.
 - Frie is giving Apex two weeks to go over every item to get solid numbers
 - First year positive cash flow should be \$4000
 - Lease company owns equipment until paid for in 5 years
 - Lease does not affect the bond rating for the rest of the County
 - \$40,000 per year maintenance is built into the cost.

6. **DISCUSSION: DEER WASTE COLLECTION 2018:** Kyle Gibbens from the Town of La Grange attended the meeting to discuss deer carcass disposal problems at his site, and request input into what it required by the WDNR. The WDNR suggests disposing of carcasses through the curbside collection or to bring the carcasses back to the area where it was harvested. The issue Gibbens has is someone is placing entire deer into their compacting unit. Gail suggested he would talk with Sharon Folcey and ask to get put on the Towns Association agenda to discuss waste collection site problems.
7. **DISCUSSION: HOST FEES, RIDGEVILLE TOWNSHIP:** Currently we pay the Township of Ridgeville a fee of 26 cents per ton. Frie mentioned that it would be acceptable for an increase to this amount with the new landfill opening in five to six years. At that point it would be reasonable for Ridgeville to request an increase in payment.
8. **CLEAN SWEEP GRANT:** Our Clean Sweep grant application for 2018 was approved for \$8785, down from \$9480.00 2017. We also will be receiving \$800.00 in grant monies to pay to the Sheriff's Department towards drug collection activity.
9. **DISCUSSION/ACTION: TIRE RECYCLING PRICE INCREASE:** Received our last billing from Liberty Tire and without forewarning, the tonnage charge increased to \$200.00 per ton. We need to increase our fees for handling and water weight accumulated during storage. Frie proposed \$260.00 per ton, or an increase from ten cents per pound to thirteen cents per pound effective January 1 2018. Schulze will inform customers by posting the increase on our web page immediately, if approved. Las asked for a motion to approve the new rate of \$260.00 per ton effective January 1 2018. Motion was made by Giraud to approve and seconded by Halverson. All Ayes, motion carried 5 -0.
10. **MANAGER'S REPORT**
 - Fort Mc Coy: Hauler's bidding for the Fort's 5 year garbage contract
 - Scale: Discussion on replacing the scale at the landfill with a 70 foot long scale at some future point in time.
 - Bladder Pumps: Ordered and shipped and invoiced in 2017 as capital expense.
 - Planting Trees: Paul mentioned planting a buffer zone of trees. We will discuss this at a future meeting.
 - Farm Lease: Discussed the land rent lease which is up in April 2018. We have the right to extend the lease year to year. Soil samples were taken to check PH. Radke willing to rent it again at the current rate of \$256.00 per acre. Discussion ensued regarding what type of crop should be planted.
11. **SET NEXT MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, January 9 at **4:00 pm** at the Solid Waste Dept. 20448 Junco Road, Norwalk, WI 54848
12. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Landfill Operator Terry Taylor specified that the landfill is up almost 26% (tonnage for the last 5 years). He also suggested we get DNR approval and consider a shredder on site to handle our tires to use for cover, since we currently only have one outlet to handle our tire recycling. Schulze asked him who'd be running it (with one operator on site and two office staff)
13. **ADJOURNMENT:** Chair Las asked for a motion to adjourn, made by Halverson and seconded by Giraud at 5:10 pm. Motion carried 4-0 with Halverson absent.

Recorded by: Shelly Schulze