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# Columbia County Solid Waste Committee March 6, 2017

Present: Mark Sleger, Robert McClyman, Nancy Long, Henry St. Maurice

Absent with Approval: James Brooks

#### Also Present:

Craig Cawley-Pacific Town Supervisor, George Beasley-Pacific Town Supervisor, Greg Kaminski, and Gail Benz-recording secretary.

Chairman Mark Sleger called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and noted the meeting had been properly noticed. McClyman made motion to approve agenda as presented, second by St. Maurice. Motion carried.

Minutes from January 3, 2017 meeting were approved by Long, second by St. Maurice. Motion carried.

#### **Town of Pacific**

Kaminski reported we received a call from a neighbor regarding debris in the ditches after the snow melted. This has been taken care of. No other concerns at this time.

## Expenditures

Expenditures were presented for payment. Greg Kaminski reviewed each line item and answered questions. Motion was made by McClyman, second by Long to approve expenditures. Motion carried.

# **Budget and Compensatory Time**

Kaminski reported we have had a lot of overtime. The DNR stopped out for a visit and our line had been down for two weeks and material had piled up. We have been working diligently to clean up and have been working a lot of Saturdays. We have slowed down taking in material.

We took two conveyors from our old system to use on the new line when it was installed, and they were from 1993 to save money. Now we have so much material coming in, the old conveyors are getting brittle. We were hoping they would have lasted two years. Some sections are breaking and ripping.

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Regarding the budget we have had a lot of truck repairs. We have three old EVO trucks we use as spares, but they are in such bad shape they are not worth repairing. We are renting a rear load truck now from RNOW. We are looking at renting an automated arm truck to help out. We will be getting our two new trucks we ordered in May or June. We are hoping to purchase the used automated arm truck in the future if it turns out to be a good one. We may sell our old EVOs to make some income towards purchases. Discussion followed.

#### Safety Update

Kaminski reported we had one accident and one injury. The injury occurred in the City of Columbus. A driver hurt his back lifting a heavy container. The accident happened at the Otsego drop off site. A driver was backing up and hit a pole. No other major issues. Discussion followed.

### **Changes to Operations Supervisor Position**

The Columbia County Solid Waste Committee went into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statue 1985. At 10:19 a.m. McClyman made Motion to go into closed session, second by Long. At 10:43 a.m. McClyman made motion to go into open session, second by St. Maurice. Motion carried.

#### **Account Write-Offs**

Kaminski presented two unpaid accounts receivable from 2016. The first account is Tony's Helping Hand for \$185.20. A collection letter was sent but returned with no forwarding address. The other is Justin Pribbenow for \$357.60. A collection letter was also sent but returned with no forwarding address. St. Maurice made motion to write off both accounts, second by McClyman. Motion carried.

# **Recycling Markets**

Kaminski reported we have had a number of conveyor breakdowns which have had a negative impact on our productivity. Even though we were down we did do pretty well in recycling revenue. January came in at \$66,376.16 and February was \$60,930.88. Fortunately, paper and cardboard prices are at their highest level in five years. Plastics have gone down a little. We are focusing now in March to clean up. We have to address the conveyor situation. Kaminski is getting a quotes and will present at next meeting. Discussion followed.

# 2016 Annual Report

Kaminski presented the 2016 annual report. It was reviewed by all. Long made motion to accept the 2016 annual report, second by St.Maurice. Motion carried.

# **Operations Report**

Kaminski mentioned he is in the process of getting quotes for carts in Columbus.

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Kaminski has submitted a quote to the Village of Fall River. It would be in effect December 1, 2017. There are 520 homes in Fall River. Discussion followed.

The next Solid Waste Committee meeting is set for Monday April 3, 2017 at 9:30.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m. on motion by McClyman, second by Sleger. Motion carried.

Secretary of Record

Henry A. St. Maurice

Recording Secretary

Gail Benz