



COLUMBIA COUNTY

Solid Waste

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Columbia County Solid Waste Committee
September 6, 2016

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

Absent with approval: James Brooks

Also Present:

Vern Gove-County Board Chair, Mary Cupery- County Board Vice-Chair, Joe Ruf III Corporation Counsel, Craig Cawley-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 Long. Motion carried.

Minutes from the August 1, 2016 meeting were approved on motion by St. Maurice, second by Sleger. Motion carried.

Town of Pacific

There were no concerns. Kaminski reported we had one complaint. We had stored our trailers near the road by the entrance and had a complaint of odor and leakage. We since then have moved them and repaired the hole.

Expenditures

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

Budget and Compensatory Time

Kaminski reported we had a very good month. We knew we would be over on refuse truck maintenance and as far as budget we are over on refuse and demo revenue. We did have some overtime and compensatory time. Discussion followed.

Huber Wage Increase

Kaminski stated we had nine to ten Huber's and we were down to three. Most Huber's went to Seneca Foods because they paid more. Kaminski tried to contract

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with a temp agency and they had a 50% mark up. Our material was piling up. We would like to bring their pay up to \$10.00 an hour. With this increase we should be able to be fully staffed. A motion was made to raise the rate for Huber and LTE pay by McClyman, second by St. Maurice. Motion carried.

Safety Update

Kaminski reported we had a tough safety month. One driver broke his finger when opening a door to a roll off container. We also had one accident that resulted in a fatality. We are recommitted on focusing on safety, operating as safely as possible. Discussion followed.

Recycling Markets

Kaminski stated considering how short staffed we were, we did pretty well. We made \$69,000 in revenue. We should have about \$650,000 in recycling revenue, close to \$150,000 over budget. Cardboard is up to \$110.00 and paper is at \$90.00 a ton. Aluminum went up to .06 cents a lb. and is now at .54 cents.

We had talked about starting a second shift. We would need ten employees to do this. We would double our revenue. Kaminski noted our location is great. We get a lot of material from all over the state. Kaminski will put together numbers regarding starting a second shift. Discussion followed.

Office Remodel Update

Kaminski stated the remodel should start this month and some work will be done on weekends. It should be complete in three weeks. Attorney Ruf stated the Accounting Department released half of the money so the project could start. There was an issue with bonding, and Chair Gove assisted with getting it resolved. Discussion followed.

Operations Report

Kaminski stated the new baler should be here in three weeks. We will take out the old one and have new one by September 27th. This will speed up production.

Columbus is fairly a big city with about 1750 homes, and bid specs to be out soon. If we get the bid we would need another person to do this.

We need to be on a 5 year plan for replacing trucks.

The next Solid Waste Committee meeting is set for Tuesday October 3 at 9:30.

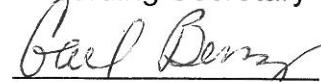
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Meeting adjourned at 10:21 a.m. on motion by McClyman, second by Sleger. Motion carried.

Secretary of Record


Henry A. St. Maurice

Recording Secretary


Gail Benz