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Solid Waste

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Columbia County Solid Waste Committee February 3, 2014

Approved Minutes

Present: Mark Sleger, Robert McClyman, Susanna Bradley and Phil Baebler

Absent with approval: Ken Hutler

Also Present: Andy Ross-County Board Chairman, Vern Gove-County Board Vice-Chair, Craig Cawley-Pacific Town Supervisor, Lyn Jerde-Portage Daily Register, Greg Kaminski and Carole Beix recording secretary.

Chairman Sleger called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. noting that the meeting had been properly noticed. Bradley made a motion to approve the agenda as presented second by McClyman. Motion carried.

Minutes from the January 13th meeting were approved on motion by Baebler, second by Bradley. Motion carried.

Town of Pacific

There were no complaints or concerns. Cawley invited Kaminski to the February 18th Town of Pacific meeting to answer questions and explain the changes taking place to become a transfer station.

Expenditures

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

Budgets and Compensatory Time

Compensatory time is in line with county policy.

Kaminski stated that budgets look good.

There have been no major repairs and that we have begun doing preventive maintenance on trucks and equipment.

The cold weather has caused the demolition to be down for the month of January.

Safety update

Kaminski updated the committee that we had a driver report an injury this past week and that we have gone 165 days without an accident. Discussion followed.

Infrastructure

County Board Chair Ross updated the committee regarding the status of the space needs study being done by Potter Lawson. Ross stated that the Infrastructure Committee will be meeting to finalize the report which will be presented to the County Board at its February meeting. Discussion followed.

Recycling Market

Kaminski informed the committee that we had shipped out a load of plastic which brought in \$12,000. Kaminski stated that the plastic market should be going up, but paper is remaining about the same. Staff is focusing on sorting out more recyclables causing fewer loads of co-mingle being shipped out.

Kaminski stated that he will be sending out bid proposals for a new baler this week. Depending on the results of the bids Kaminski may look at purchasing automated equipment for the sorting line. Discussion followed.

Operations Report

Powell item was discussed and tabled till the March meeting.

Kaminski informed the committee that the City of Portage has ratified its contract with us through 2018 with the City of Portage purchasing recycling carts later this year.

Kaminski stated that he is considering adding another tipping arm to one of our garbage trucks in the 2015 budget.

Kaminski informed the committee that he has been updating the DNR regarding the progress to change to a transfer station, and Kaminski feels that we are close to submitting an application to the DNR for a transfer station permit.

A proposal has been submitted in the amount of \$114,000 to enclose the building on the hill to meet DNR requirements. Discussion followed.

Kaminski stated that he has been in contact with a company that has a 4 yard compactor unit that was purchased one year ago that's available. Kaminski feels that this would be a better way to go as the compactor would push the garbage into the trailer causing heavier loads going out reducing hauling costs and eliminating the cost for reconstruction on the building. Discussion followed. Due to the fact the agenda did not include the proposal the committee could not take action. The Solid Waste Committee will meet prior to the February meeting of the County Board to discuss and vote on the purchase of the compactor.

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The next Solid Waste Committee meeting will be Monday, March 3rd at 9:30 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m. on motion by Baebler, second by Bradley.

Secretary of Record,

Recording Secretary,

Susanna Bradley

Carole Beix