

**Columbia County Solid Waste Committee
Approved Minutes**

March 14, 2006

Present: Gerald Salzwedel, Harlan Horton, Jim Pugh, and Donald Nelson

Excused: Doug Richmond

Also Present: Jim Rager, Bill Casey, and Carole Beix Recording Secretary

Chair Salzwedel called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. noting that the meeting had been properly noticed. Motion to approve agenda made by Nelson, second by Horton. Motion carried.

Minutes from the February 14, 2006 meeting were approved as presented on motion by Horton, second by Pugh. Motion carried.

Vouchers

Vouchers were presented for payment. Motion to approve vouchers as presented made by Nelson, second by Horton. Motion carried.

Correspondence

Casey attended the City of Lodi monthly council meeting to field questions about our garbage and recycling procedures.

Mark Miller, State Senator, is planning to attend the Town of Pacific meeting this month and has contacted us for a tour of the facility prior to their meeting.

Annual Report

Casey reviewed the 2005 annual report with the committee. Discussion followed. Motion to approve the 2005 annual report made by Horton, second by Nelson. Motion carried

Budget and Compensatory Time

Casey reported that we have one employee who keeps his comp time balance at the maximum of 80.0 hrs. Another employee has scheduled time to be used in the month of April to bring his comp time into compliance with county policy.

We have one line item that is over budget. Monies in this line item are set aside to pay for a load of material should it be rejected. Recently, glass has fallen to zero. Morath Trucking who hauls our garbage and demolition has also been hauling our green glass to Adams County. We are paying hauling fees out of this budget item. Discussion followed. It was felt that we should use our truck and a 30-yard container to haul green glass in the future to Adams County.

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Recycling Market Update

Markets are steady at this point. We have had several inquiries about plastic. We have been able to get caught up on the plastic pile, which should give us more available time to separate the plastic out into PET and HDPE, which could give us a better market price.

Operations Report

Casey contacted the Human Resource Department to see if our employees who weld could receive overtime pay instead of comp time for maintenance welding on the drum after regular working hours. Welding has been progressing along nicely with maintenance to begin shortly on drum #1.

A new employee started on Monday, March 6th bringing us to full staff.

On Monday, March 13th bids were opened for the disposal of our surplus equipment with the following going to the highest bidder.

- 1) 1978 Chevy Garbage Truck-high bid \$479.00-Rocky's Auto Salvage
 - 2) 1983 Chevy Van Body (Ryder) truck-high bid \$1,501.00-Midwest Equipment
 - 3) 1996 Bobcat skid steer loader-high bid \$5,802.00-Midwest Equipment
- Motion by Pugh to accept high bids for the disposal of our surplus equipment second by Nelson.
Motion carried.

Town of Pacific

No odor complaints this month. Shrubbery will be planted this spring along the fence and by the entrance at the Hwy 51/16 recycling site.

Aging Report

Reviewed past due accounts.

The next Solid Waste Committee meeting will be April 11, 2006 at 9:00 a.m.

The Solid Waste Committee meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m. on motion by Nelson, second by Horton. Motion carried.

Secretary of Record,

Recording Secretary,

Jim Pugh

William J. Casey

