

**Columbia County Solid Waste Committee
Approved Minutes**

August 8, 2006

Present: Gerald Salzwedel, Phil Baebler, and Vern Gove

Excused: Don Nelson and Brian Landers

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

Vice-Chair Baebler called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. noting that the meeting had been properly noticed. Motion to approve agenda made by Salzwedel, second by Gove with the addition of a line-item transfer. Motion carried.

Minutes from the June 13th, 2006 meeting were approved as presented on motion by Salzwedel, second by Baebler. Motion carried.

Vouchers

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

Correspondence

Greg Scott, Operations Supervisor, attended a meeting at Stevens Point presented by the UW Extension regarding the sale of glass. With many glass-processing facilities being owned by one company, the glass prices are currently at an all time low. Recycling facilities that need to get rid of their glass are not satisfied with the prices received, and indicated to glass processor that if prices do not increase they will look elsewhere.

Casey has been contacted by the American Transmission Company for an easement to place, maintain, and operate power lines on the county's property.

Budget and Compensatory Time

Compensatory time remains the same with one employee slightly above the 80.0-hour limit.

Revenue Budgets look good.

Expenses are high in some areas due to the reconstruction of the compost building.

Casey requested a motion to approve a line-item transfer from Recycling Revenue to Contracted Services to cover the cost of hauling the green glass to Adams County. Discussion followed. Motion to approve line-item transfer in the amount of \$4,000.00 from the Recycling Revenue to Contracted Services made by Salzwedel, second by Gove. Motion carried.

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Recycling Market Update

Markets are steady. China has been purchasing so much it is helping drive up prices. Plastic is down somewhat. Glass remains negative.

Operations Report

Due to age and the continued pushing of baled material against the wall a 25' section of block wall fell out.

The reconstruction of the compost building destroyed by a fire back in April is almost complete. The installing of overhead doors and electrical work should be completed by the end of next week.

The concrete bin has been delayed due to building construction.

A tour of the facility is scheduled after the September committee meeting.

Town of Pacific

We had one odor complaint in June. Landscaping by the entrance has been completed for this year with shrubbery to be planted in the Spring of 2007 along the fence facing Highway 51.

Aging Report

Reviewed past due accounts.

2007 Budget

Casey presented the 2007 budget to the committee. Discussion followed. Motion to approve the 2007 budget was made by Salzwedel, second by Gove. Motion carried.

The next Solid Waste Committee meeting will be September 12th, 2006 at 9:00 a.m.

Motion to adjourn Solid Waste Committee meeting at 10:10 a.m. made by Salzwedel, second by Gove. Motion carried.

Secretary of Record,

Brian Landers

Phil Baehler

Recording Secretary,

Carole Beix

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