

**Columbia County Solid Waste Committee
Approved Minutes**

August 9, 2005

Present: Gerald Salzwedel, Ken Hutler, Don Nelson, Harlan Horton, and Jim Pugh

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

Chair Salzwedel called the meeting to order at 8:58 a.m. noting that the meeting had been properly noticed. Motion to approve agenda made by Nelson, second by Hutler. Motion carried. Jim Rager from the Town of Pacific requested to speak earlier than noted on the agenda due to a prior commitment. Approved.

Minutes from the July 12th meeting were approved as presented on motion by Horton, second by Hutler. Motion carried.

Vouchers

Vouchers were presented for payment. Motion to approve vouchers as presented was made by Hutler, second by Pugh. Motion carried.

Correspondence

Foth & VanDyke held a free seminar in Madison with members from the Department of Natural Resources and several area county Solid Waste Directors to review issues relating to Solid Waste. Casey felt it was very productive, and that the DNR has a better understanding of the counties concerns on solid waste.

On Tuesday, August 16th, Kurt Calkins, Laura Paine, Scott Maass from the City of Portage, Melissa Stephensky, Columbia County Master Gardner, and Bill Casey will be holding an informational meeting with a selected section in the City of Portage explaining the disposal of yard waste and what to do?

A tire round up was held July 30th at the Town of Lodi. Residents were able to bring in four tires free of charge, and after that a charge of \$1.50 per tire.

The tire round up along with the educational yard waste meeting will help with our efficiency grant application in 2006.

Budget and Compensatory Time

Comp time is in line with county policy.

Casey is meeting with the Finance Committee on Thursday to explain the overage on truck repairs for recycling, and the Machine Maintenance in the Compost area.

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Recycling

The recycling markets are softening with cardboard going down somewhat.

Town of Pacific

There were no odor complaints this month. Ken Hutler indicated that he had received two separate calls regarding the Pacific Site operations. Casey informed the committee that he would address the situation that afternoon since the Pacific Site would be open.

2006 Budget

Casey presented the 2006 budget to the committee. Discussion followed. Motion to approve the 2006 budget was made by Nelson, second by Hutler. Motion carried.

Aging Report

Reviewed past due accounts

The next Solid Waste Committee meeting will be September 13th at 9:00 a.m.

The Solid Waste Committee meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m. on motion by Hutler, second by Nelson. Motion carried.

Secretary of Record,

Recording Secretary,

Jim Pugh

Carole J. Beix

