

**Columbia County Solid Waste Committee
Approved Minutes**

September 12, 2006

Present: Don Nelson, Gerald Salzwedel, and Phil Baebler

Excused: Brian Landers and Vern Gove

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

Chair Nelson 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 Baebler. Motion carried.

Minutes from the August 8th, 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 Baebler, second by Salzwedel. Motion carried.

Correspondence

Waste Management has sold off Container Recycling Alliance (CRA) part of their glass business. Discussion held about the impact to our operation and that Greg Scott will possibly attend a meeting on October 10th to get more details. Green and mixed glass still being shipped to Adams County.

Budget and Compensatory Time

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

Budget is tight in a few areas with fuel budget probably going over. Disposal budget is somewhat short, but revenue coming in should off set some of the overages. With construction on the compost building garbage was being shipped out, and the insurance company agreed to pay \$33,000 for the extra hauling of garbage.

Recycling Market Update

A goal of \$215,000 was projected for 2006. We have reached and surpassed goal set. Aluminum and steel are down slightly. Plastic is holding steady along with paper. Glass remains at zero.

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Operations Report

Due to metal fatigue on drum # 2 over the last 15 years, 8 of the screen arms broke off. The staff is making repairs and have built new arms, welded them into place and they are now replacing the screens, things are progressing smoothly and should be completed shortly.

An annual maintenance check on two forklifts has been completed. A new forklift is in the budget for 2007. The skid steer loader due to age will need to be looked at for replacement in the near future. Costly repairs are needed on it now. Discussion followed.

Town of Pacific

There were no odor complaints received. Discussion held regarding landscaping the Highway 51 Recycling Site. Compost hauling should begin next week to area farmer's fields.

Aging Report

Reviewed past due accounts.

The next Solid Waste Committee meeting will be **Thursday, October 5th, 2006 at 9:00 a.m.**

Motion to adjourn Solid Waste Committee meeting at 9:35 a.m. made by Salzwedel, second by Baebler. Motion carried.

After the meeting members of the committee toured the facility and viewed the new compost building.

Secretary of Record,

Recording Secretary,

Brian Landers

Carole Beix

