

**Columbia County Solid Waste Committee
Approved Minutes**

November 8, 2005

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

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 October 11th, 2005 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 Hutler, second by Nelson. Motion carried.

Correspondence

Casey informed the committee that a contract has been signed with the Town of Lewiston for garbage disposal pickup beginning around the middle of November.

Replace Employee

An employee resigned their position due to medical reasons. Casey has been to both Human Resources and Executive committees for approval to replace, and only needs the Solid Waste Committee's approval to refill the position. Discussion followed. Motion to approve replacement of employee made by Nelson, second by Horton. Motion carried.

Fee Increase

Casey informed the committee that our tire vendor has increased our tire disposal fee. In the past we have had a semi trailer placed on the premises and employees would need to restack tires taking time from the regular duties. The Vendor has removed the trailer and comes with a grapple hook, which saves time. Casey contacted the tire vendor inquiring about future fee increases, which he indicated may be increasing the first of the year. Discussion followed. Motion to increase tire disposal fee from \$100.00 per ton to \$120.00 per ton made by Nelson, second by Pugh. Motion carried.

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Budget and Compensatory Time

We are over budget on certain items, but revenue coming in will be able to cover overages. Due to the nice fall leaves are just beginning to come in.

Compensatory time is in line with county policy.

Recycling

October was a good revenue month for recycling. Casey checked around regarding glass prices. Discussion followed. Casey will continue to check into the matter.

Operations Report

When the budget passes we want to bid for a garbage truck, recycling truck and Skid Steer Loader with bids being opened at the December 13th meeting. Casey handed out copies of the bid specs for the committee's review. Discussion followed. Motion to approve the bid specs as presented made by Hutler, second by Horton. Motion carried.

Town of Pacific

There were no odor complaints this month. Compost hauling and spreading has been completed for this year.

Aging Report

Reviewed past due accounts

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

The Solid Waste Committee meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m. on motion by Nelson, second by Hutler. Motion carried.

Secretary of Record,

Recording Secretary,

Jim Pugh

Carole J. Beix

