



COLUMBIA COUNTY

Solid Waste

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Columbia County Solid Waste Committee June 11, 2021

Present: Nancy Long, Mark Sleger, Henry St. Maurice, Darren Schroeder, Harlan Baumgartner

Also Present: Jessica Hale-Assistant Corporation Counsel, Greg Kaminski-Director,

Chairman Nancy Long called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and noted the meeting had been properly noticed and we will be taking some topics out of order. St. Maurice made motion to approve, second by Baumgartner. Motion carried.

Minutes from May 5, 2021 meeting were approved on motion by Schroeder, second by Baumgartner. Motion carried.

Town of Pacific

No complaints or concerns.

Communications/Public Input

No public input.

Expenditures

Expenditures were presented for payment. Kaminski reviewed each line item and answered questions. The total for the month of April was \$337,612.07. Motion was made by St. Maurice to approve expenditures, second by Sleger. Motion carried.

Budget and Compensatory Time

Kaminski reported we have had some compensation time in May due to spring clean ups and vacations. We are on track with truck repairs with no major repairs. We continue to be on track with budget and the transfer station had its best month of the year as summer volume continues to be strong with more than 3,100 tons brought in. Discussion followed.

Safety Update

Kaminski reported we had no accidents and no injuries. We are currently covering heat related topics. Discussion followed.

Recycling Markets

Kaminski reported recycling revenue for the month of April was \$126,485.15. Recycling markets are the strongest they have been in several years. Cardboard and Plastic #2 prices continue to go up. We are trying to take advantage of these markets but need more workers to produce more volume. Discussion followed.

Updated Fee Schedule

Kaminski presented an updated Solid Waste Fee Schedule with some minor changes to the schedule that was approved in April. Motion was made by Baumgartner to approve the updated schedule, second by St. Maurice. Motion carried.

Line Item Transfer- Cameras

\$15,000 was budgeted to upgrade our camera system. The quotes came in \$8,570 over budget due to the need for additional cameras and to have recording capability. \$8,570 will be transferred for the Solid Waste Recycling Project Contingency Fund to Capital Outlay. Motion by Schroeder to approve line item transfer, second by Sleger. Motion carried.

2022 Position Request

Kaminski presented a request to increase the Administrative Assistant position from 24 to 32 hours per week and increase the pay from F2 to G1. The facility is extremely busy and with an average of 165 transactions per day, it is more than one person can handle. The Director and the Operations Manager are forced to spend significant portions of the day helping with the scale and answering phones. Motion by Sleger to approve request, second by St. Maurice. Motion carried.

Operations Report

Kaminski presented a list of priority projects that could be completed with possible stimulus or infrastructure funds. The transfer station floor needs to be redone and also the construction bunker. We also need a new compactor in the transfer station and to expand the tipping floor area. We have 63 acres and need to better utilize the property. One option would be to relocate the transfer station to the area formerly used for compost. Discussion followed.

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The next Solid Waste Committee meeting will be July 7, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at the Solid Waste Facility.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m. on motion by St. Maurice, second by Sleger.

Secretary of Record


Henry A. St. Maurice

Recording Secretary


Greg Kaminski