

COLUMBIA COUNTY

Solid Waste

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Columbia County Solid Waste Committee July 5, 2016

Present: Mark Sleger, Robert McClyman, Nancy Long, Henry St. Maurice and James Brooks

Also Present:

Mary Cupery- County Board Vice-Chair, Craig Cawley-Pacific Town Supervisor, Lyn Jerde-Portage Daily Register, Greg Kaminski, and Gail Benz-recording secretary.

Chairman Mark Sleger called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and noted the meeting had been properly noticed. St.Maurice made motion to approve agenda as presented, second by Brooks. Motion carried.

Minutes from the June 6, 2016 meeting were approved on motion by McClyman, second by Long. Motion carried.

Town of Pacific

There were no complaints or concerns. Kaminski mentioned a written policy may be needed to be posted in the future regarding the removal of any material. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Expenditures

Expenditures were presented for payment. Greg Kaminski reviewed each line item and answered questions. Motion was made by Long, second by McClyman to approve expenditures. Motion carried.

A question was made regarding the repairs of our trucks being done at the County's Highway shop and cost savings. Discussion followed.

Budget and Compensatory Time

Kaminski reported our budget is looking very good for the first 6 months. We are over on refuse truck maintenance but on pace for being under budget in all other areas.

We had a fair amount of compensatory time due to the loss of two drivers. We have increased our Huber positions to help with this. The guys are working longer hours to

keep up with all material coming in. We are looking at a new baler that would be more efficient and would make bales faster.

We have interviewed for the machine operator and driver positions. We had four applications for the driver position and seven for the machine operator position. We offered the driver position to a person who backed out. We hired someone for the machine operator position who has some experience and will start July 11th. Discussion followed.

Safety Update

Kaminski reported no injuries this month but we did have one accident. A driver delivered a construction dumpster and hit a tree with his truck. We have submitted this to insurance. Discussion followed.

Recycling Markets

Kaminski reported we had our best month ever. We brought in \$71,666. Commodity prices continued to improve in June resulting in a record revenue month. We have already exceeded the revenue for all of 2015. We are producing a lot of material, and a lot is coming in. We are running now at 80% efficient. We could use a more efficient baler to keep up. The baler Kaminski is looking at could make a bale in 3 minutes, compared to the baler we have now which makes a bale in about 15 minutes. This would help with volume. This new baler would replace the one we have, and the lease could be extended. There are other things we could do to upgrade by adding to our line, such as an OCC screener. If we continue making \$60,000 a month we will be over our budgeted amount. Our revenue for the first six months of 2016 is about \$290,000. That is \$30,000 more than the amount of revenue taken in for all of last year. The County's investment of the new recycling sort line is paying off.

Baler Upgrade

Kaminski handed out a quote from JWR regarding upgrading the baler. A high powered baler that can make a bale in 3-4 minutes, which is half the time of what we can do right now. They could have it here and installed in 3 weeks. Another thing we are doing is installing a compactor for garbage removed from recycling. That will save us time not baling garbage. We will have to put this out to bid. Motion by Brooks to put the more efficient baler out for bid, second by McClyman. Motion carried.

Award Contract for Office Remodel

Kaminski reported we did get two quotes for the office remodel. One came in late at 1 p.m. on the dead line date. Harmony Construction Management came in at \$99,000 and Steve Griffey \$37,900. We are only budgeted for \$44,000. If we go with the Griffey bid we would have left over funds for office furniture.

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Motion by Brooks to accept late bid by Steve Griffey, second by Long. Motion carried.

Motion by Brooks to accept the bid from Steve Griffey in full compliance, second by Long.

Motion by St. Maurice to amend the original Motion to accept bid from Steve Griffey in full code compliance, second by McClyman. Motion carried.

Operations Report

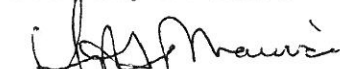
Kaminski is working on 2017 budget to be approved at the August meeting. We would like to get an automated arm truck next year. Kaminski has been working to get a strategic plan in place regarding our trucks and to keep them updated. A suggestion was made to increase our truck maintenance budget and improve some of our building maintenance. We would like to add an addition to our recycling building and construct some kind of building outside for C&D. We will consider all options. Kaminski is trying to comply with all DNR requests.

We have been shutting down our line a little earlier on Fridays to clean up the grounds by staff. We may consider adding another shift in the future. We are providing a good service for the county that is turning out to be a good investment with big rewards in recycling with our new line.


The next Solid Waste Committee meeting set for Monday August 1st at 9:30.

Meeting adjourned at 11:33 a.m. on motion by McClyman, second by Brooks. Motion carried.

Secretary of Record


Henry A. St. Maurice

Recording Secretary


Gail Behz