



COLUMBIA COUNTY

Solid Waste

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Columbia County Solid Waste Committee September 10, 2018

Present: Mark Sleger, Robert McClyman, Nancy Long, Henry St. Maurice, Jon Plumer

Also Present: Craig Cawley-Pacific Town Supervisor, Lynn Jerde-Portage Daily Register, Greg Kaminski-Director, and Gail Benz-recording secretary.

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

Minutes from August 6, 2018 were approved by McClyman, second by Long. Motion carried.

Town of Pacific

We had one complaint from a neighbor across the street about trailers leaking during the flooding period and the odor. We moved trailers back on hill and this took care of the problem.

Expenditures

Expenditures were presented for payment. Kaminski reviewed each line item and answered questions. The total of vouchers for the month of August was \$230,342.24. Motion was made by Long, second by Plumer to approve expenditures. Motion carried.

Budget and Compensatory Time

Kaminski reported we are over budget on truck maintenance and now on machine repair. We are having less repairs due to the new trucks we have purchased. Another new truck is coming sometime in October and it is a roll off. As far as revenue we had our best month this year so far. Almost 4,000 tons came in, much of it due to flooding. It was very wet and heavy material. We brought in 5 trucks last Saturday and 10 loads were taken out. Our trucking company had to get an additional trucking company to help get the material out. We had some

compensation time due to being so busy and because of the holiday.
Discussion followed.

Safety Update

Kaminski reported we are approaching 3 months without any accidents or injuries. We encouraging everyone to keep up the good work. We had less punctures due to stronger gloves we have purchased. We have our new loader and it is working well. Discussion followed.

Recycling Markets

Kaminski reported August was our best month of the year so far. Our revenue was \$86,954.25. We should make our goal if this keeps up. We had a full load of aluminum go out. Cardboard and newspaper prices are staying the same and metal is dropping. We had 6-7 people on the line but now we have 8. We have to run the line with 10 to be the most efficient. We are turning away some material right now because we can't keep up with the material coming in. Kaminski attended a DNR meeting last month and it seems everyone is having the same problems with labor issues. More and more companies are installing automated systems to help with the labor shortages. The DNR is looking at education for the entire state of Wisconsin regarding recycling. Discussion followed.

Approve Write –Offs

Kaminski stated we have three different write offs and Attorney Miller asked us to hold off on two. Construction Management went over on tonnage of \$220.00. Plumer made Motion to approve the write off of \$220.00 from Construction Management, second by Long. Motion carried.

Approve Line Item Transfer

We are over budget on supplies and the Accounting Department is asking us to move \$2,000 from bale wire to truck maintenance.

Long made motion to move line item bale wire of \$2,000 to truck maintenance budget, second my McClyman. Motion carried.

Operations Report

Kaminski reported he met with the City of Portage and a 3 year contract extension was approved.

Truck 14 which was involved in an accident 2 years ago was towed. We are dealing with the insurance company and it may just be totaled. It may not be worth the repair.

We have one baler and we have had some wear and tear on it. We had an issue with wire but we finally got the problem resolved. Maintenance is done each week on this heavy duty equipment. We did buy spare parts for any break downs. There

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are smaller balers we could look at dedicated to specific material like plastic. The cost of the baler could be off set with all the material that could be brought in. We are trying to get as many Huber workers as possible. There are not many in the jail right now. We have posted the job on other job sites. Labor is an issue and having a more automated system would help and it could save 2 to 3 people. A cardboard screener can grab what others pull off manually. We could look at a financial analysis and compare labor to automatic equipment. We could lease it over several years and up-grade our system.

We would generate more revenue and could start taking more material. When we started our new processing system we did not know how much we were going to get in. We process 4 tons an hour and if we updated we could do 10 tons an hour and make more revenue.

A suggestion was made for Kaminski to get some prices on an Occ screener and dedicated baler. Kaminski to report back. Discussion followed.

Re-approve 2019 Refuse and Recycling Budgets

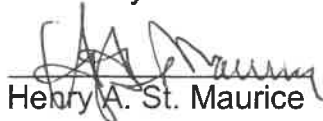
We need to move \$30,000 from the refuse budget to the recycling budget. A roll off truck was put in the wrong budget.

St.Maurice made motion to move \$30,000 to recycle budget from refuse budget, second by Plumer. Motion carried.

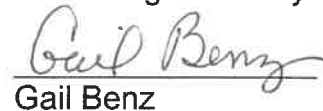
The next Solid Waste Committee meeting will be Monday October 1, 2018 at 9:30 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m. on motion by McClyman second by St. Maurice.

Secretary of Record


Henry A. St. Maurice

Recording Secretary


Gail Benz