



COLUMBIA COUNTY

Solid Waste

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Columbia County Solid Waste Committee November 2, 2022

Present: Harlan Baumgartner, Eric Shimpach, Henry St. Maurice, Adam Hahn, Andrew Groves

Also Present: Denise Brusveen-1st Vice Chair, Craig Cawley, Town of Pacific, Greg Kaminski-Director.

Supervisor St. Maurice called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and noted the meeting had been properly noticed. Shimpach made motion to approve the agenda, second by Baumgartner. Motion carried.

Minutes from the October 5, 2022 meeting were approved. Motion made by Shimpach, second by Groves. Motion carried.

Town of Pacific

Craig Cawley handed out copies of the contract between The Town of Pacific and Columbia County which requires the County to provide garbage and recycling to Town residents at no charge. A discussion followed regarding Hours of operation and providing a County employee to staff the site. This will be an agenda item for the December Solid Waste Committee meeting.

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 September was \$299,642.62. Motion was made by Hahn to approve expenditures, second by Baumgartner. Motion carried.

Budget and Compensatory Time

Kaminski noted that there was compensation time due to due to a mechanic on light duty and continued high volume of roll off work. Kaminski reported that we are over budget in maintenance costs, fuel and baling wire but is more than offset by increased revenue. Discussion followed.

Safety Update

Kaminski reported we had no accidents or injuries and we have gone 8 months without an injury and 5 months without an accident. We did have a fire that started in a pile of paper on the recycling tipping floor. Our workers were able to get the burning material out of the building and the Portage Fire Department put out the fire without any major damage. Discussion followed.

Recycling Markets Update

Kaminski reported recycling revenue was \$49,573.40 for the month of October. Commodity prices continued to rapidly decline to signs of a recession and continued mill shutdown. We are currently storing several loads of cardboard due to lack of movement. Discussion followed.

Approve Write Off

Kaminski stated that Endeavor Drywall closed at the beginning of the year but that \$197.10 was charged to their account in July. Motion by Shimpach to approve write off, second by Groves. Motion carried.

Operations Report

Kaminski reported LMS Construction has begun work on the transfer station floor. Now that the floor is cleared of garbage, some issues have come up that are being worked through. Discussion followed.

We have hired a driver that will start in 2 weeks which will put us at full staff for the first time since the beginning of the year.

The next Solid Waste Committee meeting will be December 7, 2022 at 3:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m. on motion by Shimpach, second by Groves.

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August 3, 2022

Secretary of Record



Adam Hahn

Recording Secretary



Greg Kaminski