



COLUMBIA COUNTY

Solid Waste

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Columbia County Solid Waste Committee November 4, 2020

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

Also Present: Craig Cawley- Pacific Town Supervisor, Greg Kaminski-Director, and Gail Benz-recording secretary.

Chairman Nancy Long called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and noted the meeting had been properly noticed. St. Maurice made motion to approve, second by Schroeder. Motion carried.

Minutes from October 7, 2020 meeting were approved on motion by Schroeder, second by Baumgartner. Motion carried.

Town of Pacific

No complaints or concerns.

Communications/Public Input

None at this time.

Expenditures

Expenditures were presented for payment. Kaminski reviewed each line item and answered questions. The total for the month of October was \$253,718.83. Motion was made by St. Maurice to approve expenditures, second by Sleger. Motion carried.

Budget and Compensatory Time

Kaminski reported we have had some comp time and overtime just like last month, to cover routes of employees out with illness. We are trying to catch up on the recycling line. We were down to one Huber worker. We are now getting some new LTE employees. We should be able to keep up now, with the added labor. We have ordered a lot of PPE and have a new black light scanner to sanitize trucks and the facility, trying to keep workers safe.

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We are looking very good on recycling. We are charging for recycling hauled in by other facilities. The refuse side is not doing as well. We have fixed prices due to our contracts and residential garbage has doubled increasing our landfill material and costs. We are over in refuse truck maintenance. We will see how it will offset, with recycling revenue. Discussion followed.

Safety Update

Kaminski reported we had a good month with no accidents or injuries to report. We hold socially distant safety meetings the best we can. We are trying to finish the year strong. Discussion followed.

Recycling Markets

Kaminski reported October was another good month with revenue of \$83,345.20. We are currently on track and should be close or over our goal of \$825,000 for the year. We are trying to ship out more #2 plastics that are up to \$1340 a ton. PET plastics are down, and aluminum is \$950 a ton. Cardboard is still holding at \$60.00 a ton. Hopefully, it will go up in the next few months. Discussion followed.

Approve Resolution: Recycling Facility Upgrade

Kaminski stated this resolution will be tabled. This pushes our project out to a later start time but it is still in the budget. The positive results will not be seen until 2022. Schroeder made motion to table the resolution until January, second by St. Maurice. The motion was opposed by Sleger, Long, and St. Maurice until further explanation. The Solid Waste Committee agreed to table the resolution until December only.

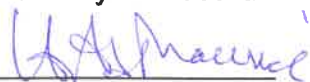
Operations Report

Kaminski reported the Waste Management acquisition of Advanced Disposal went through on October 30th. A company from Canada, Green for Life bought out the landfill and all the commercial trucks. All the others are run by Waste Management. We are still getting a lot of requests for roll off containers. We have a waiting list to get a dumpster. Discussion followed.

The next Solid Waste Committee meeting will be Wednesday December 2, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 10:47 a.m. on motion by Schroeder, second by St. Maurice.

Secretary of Record


Henry A. St. Maurice

Recording Secretary


Gail Benz