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ADDISON COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
May 11, 2022  4:30 PM
Virtual Meeting on ZOOM

1. CALL TO ORDER – Tim Wickland (TW), Board of Supervisors (BOS) Chair, called the meeting of the Executive Board (E.Bd) to order at 4:31 PM. Other E.Bd members present on Zoom: Deb Gaynor (DG), David Olson (DO), Diane Mott (DM), Cheryl Brinkman (CB) and Randy Orvis (RO). Staff present: Teri Kuczynski (TK), District Manager; Don Maglienti (DM), Program Manager, and Patti Johnson (PJ), Business Manager.

2. APPROVE THE AGENDA –
   Motion #1: DO moved to approve the agenda. CB seconded the motion.
   VOTE: Yes – 4 (DO, CB, RO, TW). No – 0. Abstain – 0.

3. APPROVE MINUTES OF APRIL 6, 2022 MEETING –
   Motion #2: DO moved to approve the minutes of April 6, 2022. RO seconded the motion.
   VOTE: Yes – 4 (DO, CB, RO, TW). No – 0. Abstain – 0.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – The Chair opened the public comment period.

5. MANAGER REPORT –
   a. Personnel – TK reported that the District hired a new Public Outreach Coordinator, Emily Johnston, whose first day of work will be June 6. Emily is currently completing her bachelor’s degree in Environmental Science from UVM.
   b. Health & Safety – TK reported worker’s comp injury that required a doctor’s visit and stitches.

6. FINANCIAL REPORTS –
   a. March 2022 Financial Report – PJ presented the March Financials showing a net loss of ($16,685) in the General Fund. The March MSW/C&D tonnage of 1,702 tons was 82 tons lower than March 2021, and YTD tonnage of 4,479 tons was 53 tons higher than YTD 2021. March transactions were 4,108, and YTD transactions of 9,879 were 2,639 lower than the YTD 2021. 20.20 tons of tires were disposed of in March, and YTD 40.78 tons is 13.30 higher than YTD 2021. No food waste was hauled in March. The Transfer Station received 380 tons of Single Stream Recyclables, with 1,038 tons in YTD March.
   b. March 2022 Single Stream Recycling Report – The Transfer Station delivered 392.75 tons to the Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) in March. The March processing fee was $82/ton, and YTD net gain was $11,636.
   c. Municipal Diversion Grant Applications – N/A
   d. School Diversion Grant Applications – N/A

7. NEW BUSINESS –
   a. Approve D&F Paving Quote for Paving Driveway up to Scalehouse at Transfer Station – TK explained that the driveway paving quote from D&F Paving is $29,640 and is in this calendar year budget. It will be done at the same time that the paving of the apron will be completed (left over from 2021 sewerage construction project).
      Motion #3: RO moved to approve the D&F Paving Quote for paving the driveway up to the Scalehouse at the Transfer Station. DG seconded the motion.
      VOTE: Yes – 6 (DM, DO, CB, RO, TW, DG). No – 0. Abstain – 0.

   b. Approval to go out to bid for Hazardous Waste Disposal, July 13, 2022 – July 12, 2023
Motion #4: CB moved for approval to go out to bid for Hazardous Waste Disposal, July 13, 2022 – July 12, 2023. RO seconded the motion.

Discussion: DM stated we had recently received two separate notices of future price increases from US Ecology, which has handled our HHW/VSQG waste for several years. He has spoken to them about renewal of the current contract that expires on 7/13/2022, but they couldn’t do so without a minimum 10% across the board price increase. DM felt it prudent at this time to go out to bid for hazardous waste disposal services.

VOTE: Yes – 6 (DM, DO, CB, RO, TW, DG). No – 0. Abstain – 0.

c. Proposal to charge farms, growers, orchards, as a “business” after 30 days, AAFM pesticide grant funds depleted. – DM informed the E.Bd that the Pesticide grant funds issued by the AAFM a few years ago are now depleted. Despite several meetings with AAFM regarding the shortfall that other solid waste entities are also facing, there is no indication that the grants will be renewed. If H.115 (EPR for HHW) law had passed this session, pesticides could have been included, but it did not pass. If passed along to farmers and growers, the cost would be significant. The District must decide whether to begin charging these businesses, continue to accept for free, or begin charging a partially subsidized rate, and how much advance notice to give. The Chair suggested that, prior to any changes, we give notice that the State is changing its policy, and this is what to expect. DG proposed absorbing the costs this year and then consider surcharges next year to cover the cost.

Motion #5: DO moved to recommend to the BOS that the District keep subsidizing the waste pesticides and herbicides for farmers and growers for another 3 months until we can get a better sense of the estimated costs of these entities being subsidized. DM seconded the motion.

VOTE: Yes – 6 (DM, DO, CB, RO, TW, DG). No – 0. Abstain – 0.

d. Proposed Transfer of Funds from General Fund 2022 BFB to Capital Reserve Fund. Now that the audit has been completed, TK recommends that the District transfer $200,000 of the CY2022 General Fund BFB to the Capital Reserve Fund. That would leave $352,285 in the BFB, which is close to the $369,135 we estimated would be in the BFB when the CY2022 budget was adopted.

Motion #6: RO moved to approve Proposed Transfer of Funds from General Fund 2022 BFB to Capital Reserve Fund. DO seconded the motion.

VOTE: Yes – 6 (DM, DO, CB, RO, TW, DG). No – 0. Abstain – 0.

e. Update on Purchase & Sale Agreement, Design & Permitting – New Haven – TK distributed a revised Residential Transfer Station Site Plan from Weston & Sampson, along with revised Phase 1 and Phase 2 engineer’s opinion of probable cost. We are prepared to apply for a local zoning permit in the next few weeks, as all site investigations are complete, and the traffic study is done.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION – N/A


10. OTHER BUSINESS – DO asked what the status of the Bottle Bill is in the Legislature. TK reported that the Bottle Bill expansion amendment is still in play, but time is running out. Some are opposed to the expansion (CSWD) because it would remove valuable types of recyclables from the Materials Management Facility (MRF) that they rely on to cover the cost of less valuable commodities. Some redemption center opposition was noted due to the higher volumes the expansion would generate. A compromise had been reached with the wine industry to remove wine bottles from the expansion list. The VT Solid Waste District Managers’ Association opposed removing the wine bottles, as the expansion would divert more valuable types of containers from the MRF but increase the glass volumes that are not as valuable.

11. APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS –

Motion #7: CB moved that the E.Bd has reviewed and approved the payments of the District for March 2022. DO seconded the motion.

VOTE: Yes – 6 (DM, DO, CB, RO, TW, DG). No – 0. Abstain – 0.

12. ADJOURN –

Motion #8: RO moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 PM. DM seconded the motion.

VOTE: Yes – 6 (DM, DO, CB, RO, TW, DG). No – 0. Abstain – 0.

I agree that this is an original of the May 11, 2022 minutes that were considered and approved by the E.Bd at its meeting of __________.

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Teresa A. Kuczynski, District Clerk