

Kosciusko County Solid Waste Management District Board of Director's Meeting Minutes – November 21st, 2023

Present: Brad Jackson, Jerry Frush, Bob Conley, Cary Groninger, Dave Wolkins, Ashley McGinnis, Rhonda Helser, Tom Ganser, Liz Shepherd – InkFree News

Absent: Joe Thallemer, Scott Ruest, Leslie Williams

- Call to Order:
 - Brad Jackson called the meeting to order.
- October 2023 Board Minutes
 - Brad Jackson asked for a motion to approve Minutes from the October 2023 Board Meeting. Jerry Frush made a motion to approve as presented. Dave Wolkins seconded the motion, and the Board approved the motion unanimously.
- Claims and Financial Report
 - Rhonda Helser stated the interlocal agreement between the Solid Waste District and the Auditor's Office would need to be approved. This agreement allows the Auditor's Office to be the controller of the Solid Waste District. Rhonda added that the amount for this agreement is \$6,000 and is payable in two installments – one in the spring and one in the fall.
Cary Groninger made a motion to approve the agreement. Dave Wolkins seconded the motion with the Board approving unanimously.
 - Rhonda Helser presented the claims in the amount of \$41,480.93. The ending checking account balance is \$208,940.62, in addition to the 1.3-million-dollar investment.
Brad Jackson asked if there were any questions in regard to financials. Cary Groninger asked if there has been a positive cash flow and if any adjustments need to be made. Tom Ganser stated that there is a positive cash flow and that the financials are looking great again for the District. Tom added that he would like to propose to the Board to take \$100,000 from the checking account and put it back into the investment – making it a \$1.4-million-dollar investment. Tom also stated that waiting until the first quarter of next year would be a good time to decide if there will be any further price decreases or added programs. Discussion briefly continued on the matter.

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Bob Conley made a motion to approve the financial report and \$100,000 investment. Cary Groninger seconded the motion, and the Board approved the motion unanimously.

- New Business
 - 2024 Salary Ordinance
 - Tom Ganser stated that the Board will need to approve the 2024 salary ordinance and it is included in the meeting packet for perusal. Cary Groninger asked if this is the same amount that was approved across the county by County Council. Tom replied by stating that it was the same amount. Dave Wolkins made a motion to approve the Salary Ordinance. Bob Conley seconded the motion with the Board approving unanimously.
 - Resolution to Transfer Money
 - Tom Ganser stated that a couple of the appropriations or accounts for the District are on the verge of being overspent, so budget money will need to be moved around. Tom added that he would like to move \$2,700 from recycling services (300-061) with \$600 going to office supplies (200-001), \$700 going to meeting expenses (300-026), and \$1,400 going to building repairs (300-052).
Cary Groninger made a motion to approve the transfers as requested. Ashley McGinnis seconded the motion with the Board approving unanimously.
 - 2024 Board Meetings
 - Tom Ganser stated that the 2024 Board Meeting schedule is included in the meeting packet and will need to be approved – these meetings coincide with the Commissioner Meetings. Bob Conley made a motion to approve the 2024 Board Meeting schedule. Dave Wolkins seconded the motion with the Board approving unanimously.
- Old Business
 - Board Room Flooring Finished Under Budget
 - Tom stated that the board or conference room floor was redone at the beginning of November and the cost of labor/materials came in under budget.

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- Syracuse Property Sale
 - Tom Ganser stated that he has not had time since his knee surgery to work on the sale of the Syracuse property with Scott Ruest. Tom added that there will be information that will need to be approved and signed by various parties. Discussion briefly continued on the matter.
- Reports
 - Tom Ganser stated that the Director and Educator Report was included in the meeting packet and asked if there were any questions regarding the report. There were no questions or comments.
- Comments and Questions
 - None
- Adjournment
 - Bob Conley made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Jerry Frush seconded the motion, with the board approving.

The next board meeting will be Tuesday, November 21st, 2023, at 11am.