

Kosciusko County Solid Waste Management District

Board of Director's Meeting Minutes – September 13th, 2022

Present: Brad Jackson, Cary Groninger, Bob Conley, Mike Long, Jerry Frush, Tom Ganser, Michelle Puckett, Leslie Williams, Sam Langer – GFL, Kirk Salerno – Borden Waste Away

Absent: Joe Thallemer, Scott Ruest, Rick Swaim, Liz Shepherd – Ink Free News

- Call to Order:
 - Brad Jackson called the meeting to order.
- August 2022 Board Minutes
 - Brad Jackson asked for a motion to approve Minutes from the June 2022 Board Meeting. Jerry Frush made a motion to approve as presented. Mike Long seconded the motion, and the Board approved the motion unanimously.
- Claims and Financial Report
 - Michelle Puckett presented the claims in the amount of \$9,742.00. The ending checking account balance is \$58,676.95, in addition to the 1.4-million-dollar investment. Michelle noted that she does not have a lot of the bigger (higher amount) processed claims at this time, so account balance will be changing soon (mid-month). Bob Conley made a motion to approve claims as presented. Mike Long seconded the motion. The board approved the motion, and the vote was unanimous.
- New Business
 - RFP Recycling Drop-Off Program – Bid Opening
 - Brad Jackson and Tom Ganser proceeded to open bid packages. First, Borden Waste Away Group's bid was opened.
Borden's bids are as follows:
 - Bid #1 (All recyclables listed in the RFP): Base rate (haul per ton) = \$299.43
 - Bid #2 (All recyclables by Exhibit A and district buying containers): Base rate (haul per ton) = \$286.19
 - Bid #3 (Bidder chooses recyclables): No bid
 - Bid #4 (All current recyclables set forth by Exhibit A and include glass): Base rate (haul per ton) = \$299.43
 - Second, GFL's bid was opened.
GFL's bids are as follows:
 - Bid #1 (All recyclables listed in the RFP): Base rate (haul per ton) = \$225.00
 - Bid #2 (All recyclables set forth by Exhibit A and district buying containers): Base rate (haul per ton) = \$215.00

- Bid #3 (Bidder chooses recyclables – Remove plastics #s 3, 4, 5, remove tin cans, remove chip board): \$210.00
 - Bid #4 (All current recyclables set forth by Exhibit A plus bidder choice): No bid
- Tom Ganser thanked the GFL and Borden Waste Away representatives for placing their bids. Tom suggested that the board takes the bids under advisement and decide on bids at the next meeting. Bob Conely made a motion to approve this request for advisement and decision. Cary Groninger seconded the motion. The board approved the motion, and the vote was unanimous.
- GFL and Borden Waste Away representatives left the meeting.
- Recycling Drop-Off Billing for July
 - Tom Ganser discussed letter received from GFL regarding July billing. Tom summarized the email and invoice received from GFL – 203 tons were reported (a substantially higher amount than typically reported, even for summer months). Tom explained that he questioned GFL on the amount and stated that he requested weight/load tickets in order to audit/verify these claims. Tom went on to explain that Whitley Environmental threw tickets away when in transition with GFL, so those claims could not be supported. Tom stated he told GFL that he cannot pay that amount (highest month ever) with no evidence. Tom also stated that he would like to pay an average of the previous two July months and include June volumes – if this were to happen, billing rate would be at roughly \$32,000, instead of \$39,176.17. Brad Jackson stated that he liked that idea and that it was fair. Cary Groninger stated that he thinks the 169 tons seems high. Tom stated that the reported June month was 175 tons, but he had not audited that month; however, volumes were trending up. Tom also explained that 169 tons is average. Discussion about this continued. The board agreed that the fairest option for this situation is to take the average of the past two July months (2020 and 2021) and pay that amount. Mike Long made a motion to approve this option, and Bob Conely seconded the motion. The board approved the motion, and the vote was unanimous.
- Old Business
 - None discussed
- Reports
 - Tom Ganser stated the Director and Educator Reports were included in the meeting packet and asked if there were any questions regarding these reports. No questions were asked, and no discussion was made.
- Comments and Questions
 - None
- Adjournment

- Cary Groninger made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mike Long seconded the motion, with the board approving.

The next board meeting will be Tuesday, October 25th, 2022 at 11am.