

Whitley County Solid Waste Management District

701 S. Line St. Columbia City, IN 46725

Monday, December 11, 2023

Regular Meeting

Present: Theresa Baysinger, Jenny Middleton, Chad Banks, Madalyn Sade-Bartl, and Ryan Daniel, Thor Hodges, Rob Schuman

Public Present- Director Tara Meyers, Matthew Shipman, Tiffany Deakins, and Cami Hippenhammer

Special Meeting Minutes- Mrs. Sade-Bartl made a motion to approve meeting minutes from November 8, 2023. Motion seconded by Mrs. Middleton. Motion passes 5/2 vote Mr. Daniel and Mr. Hodges abstained.

Previous Meeting Minutes- Mr. Daniel made a motion to approve meeting minutes from November 11, 2023. Motion seconded by Mrs. Sade-Bartl. Motion passes 5/2 vote Mr. Schuman and Mr. Hodges abstained.

Vendor Payables- Mrs. Sade-Bartl made a motion to approve vendor payables. Motion seconded by Mr. Daniel. Motion passes 7/0 vote.

SW Director Report- Mrs. Meyers discussed an opportunity to receive up to \$10,000.00 through IDEM for waste tires. The grant is available to Solid Waste Districts and must be submitted before January 12, 2024. Mrs. Meyers requested the board's approval to submit the grant application. After a brief discussion about the grant all board members agreed to fill out and submit the application.

Old Business

Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)- Mr. Daniel and Mrs. Meyers both have 2 confirmed citizens interested in serving on this committee. Mr. Hodges had mentioned the CAC board to Steve but he needed to follow back up with him Mr. Shipman and Mr. Hodges are supposed to have an update before the January 8, 2024, meeting. Mrs. Baysinger asked that the CAC be put on the 01-08-24 meeting agenda.

Joint Board – County Council and Commissioners have already voted on 2 members to serve on the joint board. Mrs. Sade-Bartl, and Mr. Hodges are going to contact Don Amber to see if he will also sit on the joint board. Mrs. Baysinger asked that the CAC be put on the 01-08-24 meeting agenda.

GFL Curbside Overpayments- Mr. Shipman advised that he has been in contact with GFL's attorney concerning the Release & Settlement Agreement.

New Business

Request for proposal (RFP)- Mrs. Baysinger and Mr. Daniel informed the board that they needed to begin working on an RFP and have it ready to be sent out in the Spring of 2024. The contract with GFL expires in December of 2024. The board asked that Mrs. Meyers locate the last RFP and send it out to them.

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Payroll contract between Town of Churubusco and Whitley County Solid Waste Management District- Mrs. Sade-Bartl advised the board that the contract would be expiring in December 2023 and asked if the board wished to continue the payroll contract or if the board wanted the Director to take on the responsibilities. The board members agreed that to maintain adequate oversite payroll should not be done in house. Mr. Daniel made a motion to extend the payroll services that the Town of Churubusco is providing to the District at the current rate and also to allow the chair to sign off on it. Motion seconded by Mrs. Middleton. Motion passes 6 vote with Mrs. Sade-Bartl abstaining.

Public Comments

Mrs. Deakins advised the board that the Final 1782 notice for the Solid Waste Management District has been updated and submitted with the correction of the typo for the \$100,000 PERF entry in Gateway.

Mr. Shipman reminded the board that July 1^{st} , 2024, the Solid Waste Board meetings would have to be recorded and posted for the public. Mrs. Meyers informed the board that she has been working with Mrs. Deakins on setup so the District is ready to begin recording meetings by the required date.

Mr. Daniel made a motion to adjourn; Mrs. Middleton seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:32 am

Theresa Baysinger-President

Ryan Daviel, VP

Chad Banks- Secretary