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PUBLIC NOTICE NORTHEAST INDIANA SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

DISTRICT OFFICE

Tuesday, November 10, 2009

6:30 P.M.

Agenda

- ⇒ 6:30 p.m. Call to Order
- ⇒ 6:32 p.m. Minutes of September 8, 2009
- ⇒ 6:35 p.m. Treasurer's Report/Registry of Claims
- ⇒ 6:40 p.m. Executive Committee Report:
 - Programs & Operations Report
 - Legislative Issues
 - December Board Meeting
- ⇒ 7:25 p.m. Other Items Pending
- ⇒ 7:27 p.m. Public Comment
- ⇒ 7:30 p.m. Adjourn



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Northeast Indiana Solid Waste Management District Board of Director Meeting November 10, 2009

The Northeast Indiana Solid Waste Management District Board of Directors Meeting began November 10, 2009 at 6:30 P.M. Ron Smith, President, presided **noting a quorum present.**

Board Members Present: Donald VanWye, Mayor Norm Yoder, Phil Curtis, Don Moore, Mayor Suzanne Handshoe, Ron Smith, Sara Tubergen and Mayor Richard Hickman

Board Members Absent: Don Kaufman, Mayor David Wiant, Fred Brown, Terry Helmer, Yvonne Eash, Jack Herendeen, Mayor Patty Fisel and Loretta Smart

CAC Present: Colleen Hake Boyd

District Attorney: Andrew Kruse

Public Present: None

Staff Present: Steve Christman, Pam DeCamp, Jennifer Franz and Linda Zirkle

MINUTES: ACTION ITEM #1 – Donald VanWye made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2009 Joint Board of Directors and Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting. Motion seconded by Sara Tubergen. Motion carried. 8 yeas, 0 nays

TREASURER’S REPORT AND REGISTRY OF CLAIMS: The Treasurer’s Report and Registry of Claims were reviewed for November 10, 2009. **ACTION ITEM #2 – Phil Curtis made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report and Registry of Claims. Motion seconded by Donald VanWye. Motion carried. 8 yeas, 0 nays**

Executive Committee Report:

Programs & Operations Report – Ron Smith explained the Executive Committee reviewed a report showing the Year-To-Date Receipts and Disbursements for 2008 versus 2009, showing some changes favorable and some not to our advantage, but ending the year with the District in good financial position. However, that could in a year or so create problems with decreased funding from the State. Ron Smith explained Steve Christman will review recommendations from the Executive Committee as to how making some purchases the District has postponed would make sense.

Christman reviewed the financial report for the Board and voiced his concern in reflecting too large of an operating balance on December 31, 2009, as it could appear to the State, the District is over budgeted. Phil Curtis reported the Executive Committee discussed the following suggestions: pay off the Komatsu loader early, update two District employee vehicles with mileage over 140,000 and 175,000, purchase property on the west side of the District for a drop-off site, purchase a Hazardous Waste Building, and fund the Non-Reverting Capital and Rainy Day funds.

ACTION ITEM #3 – Phil Curtis made a motion that the District pay off the Komatsu loader loan, replace two current high mileage vehicles with 2 low mileage vehicles, and purchase a Hazardous Waste Building not to exceed \$45,000. Motion seconded by Sara Tubergen.



Ron Smith asked Steve Christman to research the legal maximum amount for the Rainy Day Fund. Steve Christman stated that every year when funds are available, the controller will move the legal maximum to the Non-Reverting Capital and the Rainy Day Funds with transfers approved by the Board at the December meeting. Discussion followed with comments and questions pertaining to the motion and second on the floor. Ron Smith asked Phil Curtis if he wished to leave the original motion as stated. Phil Curtis replied, "Yes I do". Ron Smith asked for the motion to be read as stated and if there was any further discussion. Hearing no further discussion Smith called for the vote. **Motion carried. 7 yeas, 1 nay (Don Moore)**

Scale Update - Requests for quotes to build the foundation for the scale were sent out. Four contractors responded with interest. One did not submit a quote; one missed the October 1, 2009 quote date, and two contractors submitted quotes. The two quotes received were Seiss Concrete Construction, Inc. and JD Yoder Builder, Inc., both within \$1,000.00 of each other. The quotes were reviewed and scored, and the contract was awarded to Seiss Concrete Construction, Inc. for \$23,074.00. They will start work next week and the foundation should be complete in the next few weeks. The scale has been painted and readied for installation when foundation is complete. Board approved \$70,000 in the budget for the project. It should be complete soon and will likely come in at \$50,000.00 or under.

Expenses for clean up at the recycling drop-off stations so far this year are \$11,824.12 and the District will continue to follow this cost and report back to the Board.

Compost sales year-to-date is over \$9,000.00.

Pam DeCamp reported shoes were sold and both DeKalb and Noble County Humane Shelter received a check for \$305.80. DeKalb and Noble County were the only participants. Pam DeCamp will talk to LaGrange and Steuben County Humane Shelters about participating next year.

Steve Christman reported he will work on updating the safety plan and rewriting the Compost Lot Contractors Registration Form next year.

Legislative Issues – The AISWMD October Solid Waste Management District update is good information on the national legislation, greenhouse gas, cap and trade, etc.

State and legislative issues continue with the House Enrolled Act 1001 (State Budget Bill) that would impact Districts in a couple areas. In budget year 2011 Solid Waste Districts are among three districts mentioned in this bill, under section 124, which reads appointed officials instead of elected. Under this law the County Council with the highest assessed valuation will review and approve the District budget. As this law reads Steuben County would approve the District budget circumventing the democratic process in that the Solid Waste District Board would no longer be the fiscal body and removing the voice of three out of the four County Councils. Christman has been working with the State Representatives and Senators and has scheduled a meeting with Senator Kenley, chair of the Senate Finance Committee, to discuss and make certain they understand the unintended consequences of this recent legislation

The December meeting will be dinner at 5:30 PM sponsored by District contractors, housekeeping items and election of officers to the Board making up the Executive Committee.

Other Items Pending – None

Public Comment – Colleen Hake Boyd wanted the Board to know someone purchased the Apollo Landfill at the tax sale.

Adjourn – Ron Smith thanked everyone who took time from their schedule to attend and will adjourn the meeting at this time. Meeting is adjourned at 7:25 P.M.