Minutes

Loudon County Solid Waste Disposal Commission

April 10th, 2018

The Loudon County Solid Waste Disposal Commission met on April 10th, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at Loudon County Office Building. The Commission was represented by Steve Field, Art Stewart, Bruce Hamilton, Kelly Littleton-Brewster, Larry Jameson, and Dennis Stewart. Other attendees included Attorney Kevin Stevens; Santek representatives Raymond Givens and Kaitlyn Hampton; and residents Tim Brewster, Pat Hunter, and Aileen Longmire.

Mr. Steve Field called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Larry Jameson led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance and the invocation.

MOTION: Mr. Bruce Hamilton made a motion to approve the minutes of March 13th, 2018. Mr. Art Stewart seconded the motion. However, Ms. Kelly Littleton-Brewster noted that the minutes included a motion made by Mr. Bruce Hamilton to accept the audit from Mr. Hill's firm which mistakenly was documented as passing unanimously, although Ms. Littleton-Brewster had voted against it and Mr. Dennis Stewart abstained. The amended minutes were approved unanimously.

During items of Public Concern, Mr. Tim Brewster commented on the condition of the road outside of the landfill. He stated that the buildup on the side of the road was a cause for concern and suggested hiring an engineer to alleviate the problem. Mr. Raymond Givens stated that the debris along the guardrail would be removed by his laborers in the upcoming days, and that the company is entertaining more ideas in regards to a pressurized wheel wash.

Ms. Aileen Longmire asked for an update about the landfill leachate containing excess Nickel. Mr. Raymond Givens reported that the last four samples that were collected resulted in drastically lower Nickel levels; however, an estimated 20 waste streams have been tested and a specific cause is still unknown. Viskase is thought to be a major contributor which could lead to raising their dump rates or limiting/shutting the waste stream off completely.

Ms. Pat Hunter questioned whether anyone had an update about the Poplar Springs invoices. Ms. Kelly Littleton-Brewster stated that the invoices were under review. Ms. Pat Hunter asked about the excessive delays in completing the Poplar Springs remediation work and any correspondence with TDEC regarding the work schedule. Ms. Kelly-Littleton Brewster informed that, due to the delay, the contractor had accepted another job and was unable to start at Poplar Springs as originally scheduled. TDEC was contacted and the decision was made to wait until August, the dry season, to begin construction.

Ms. Aileen Longmire asked about the origin, type, and volume of waste received at the landfill from outside Loudon County. Mr. Steve Field pointed out that the Origin Report lists the counties of origin, but nothing in particular about the vendors.

Ms. Kaitlyn Hampton presented the Cash Activity Report for March 2018 and Santek's Operations Report.

Mr. Steve Field mentioned that he noticed an environmental fee added to the weight tickets given at the landfill. He previously brought this to the attention of Ms. Cheryl Dunson and she said it was due to

increased air monitoring requirements. Although the contract allows for an increase in the tipping fee when there is a change in the environmental regulations, this added rate is being charged separately. Also, approval is needed from the Commission before this change is put into place. Mr. Kevin Stevens will be forming a document to send to Santek regarding this matter.

The Annual Progress Report was presented by Mr. Steve Field.

MOTION: Mr. Bruce Hamilton made a motion to accept the APR. Mr. Art Stewart seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Contract Modification Update: A refined proposal was approved by Dr. Bachus and sent to Santek for review. Most of the terms were agreed upon, leaving primarily the closure and phased closure schedule to be discussed. The goal is to include clear language to express that the Commission will only be responsible for closing 11.1 acres while adopting a closure plan that TDEC and Santek can both agree on to accelerate closure during the course of the contract instead of back-loading it until the end. Mr. Tim Watts is willing to meet with both Mr. Kevin Stevens and Mr. Larry Jameson regarding the proposal.

Ms. Kelly Littleton-Brewster gave an update on Poplar Springs. She confirmed that there are multiple outstanding invoices which total approximately \$37,000. There is only \$198,000 left in the fund which is concerning because the Grant Proposal requires that there to be \$172,000 in the bank before accounting for monitoring and maintenance for the next ten years (which could cost \$3-5,000/year).

The Engagement Letter containing the 2018 Audit was presented by Mr. Kevin Stevent. The full contract will be presented once it is prepared.

Mr. Steve Field stated that he will not be able to attend the regularly scheduled meeting for May. It was discussed to move the meeting to May 1st with publication of the change.

MOTION: Mr. Larry Jameson made a motion to move the meeting to May 1st. Mr. Dennis Stewart seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

In regards to the expense report, Mr. Steve Field did not receive an invoice for an attorney fee for this month, meaning next month will contain two invoices. The bill for the waterline from the city of Loudon is \$58,750, as provided by Mr. Dennis Stewart.

MOTION: Ms. Kelly Littleton-Brewster made a motion to pay the city of Loudon \$58,750 for the waterline balance. Mr. Larry Jameson seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

MOTION: Mr. Bruce Hamilton made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m. and Ms. Kelly Littleton-Brewster seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

The Commission's next regularly scheduled meeting is May 1st, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Loudon County Courthouse Annex.

Respect/ully submitted,

Steve Field, Chairman

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