Minutes

Loudon County Solid Waste Disposal Commission

October 15th, 2019

The Loudon County Solid Waste Disposal Commission met on October 15th, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the Loudon County Office Building. The Commission was represented by Steve Field, Art Stewart, Kelly Littleton-Brewster, Larry Jameson, and Tammi Bivens. Other attendees included Attorney Kevin Stevens; Santek representatives Ben Johnston, Kaitlyn Hampton, and Justin Givens; and residents Aileen Longmire, Rich Anklin, and JJ Cox.

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

Ms. Kelly Littleton-Brewster led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance and the invocation.

MOTION: Ms. Kelly Littleton-Brewster made a motion to approve the minutes of September 10th, 2019. Mr. Art Stewart seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

There were not any items of public concern.

Ms. Kaitlyn Hampton presented the Cash Activity Report and the Operations Report for September 2019.

Mr. Justin Givens provided an update regarding the Module E cell construction at the landfill. He stated that Promus will provide TDEC with the data they have collected. TDEC will then approve the construction and the landfill will be permitted to start filling the cell with selective waste. Mr. Givens anticipates that the landfill will be accepting waste into the new cell within the upcoming week.

Mr. Kevin Stevens provided an update regarding the Contract Modification process. He stated that he has been working with both Dr. Bachus and Mr. Steve Field to produce a phased closure plan that will obligate Santek to close each module of the expansion within 180 days of opening a new module.

Mr. Steve Field stated that Mr. Richard Hill will review and validate the performance bond on a yearly basis as part of the annual audit process.

Mr. Stevens stated that once Santek has reviewed and made their final comments on the abovementioned revisions to the contract, a final draft will be distributed to the stakeholders for review.

Ms. Kelly Littleton-Brewster provided a Poplar Springs update. She stated that UT's agricultural department and TDEC had both visited the site. She stated that grass is being resewn at this point.

Mr. Field presented an invoice for soil sampling and testing at Poplar Springs, totaling \$45.

MOTION: Mr. Larry Jameson made a motion to pay the invoice from Poplar Springs. Mr. Art Stewart seconded the motion. Ms. Kelly Littleton-Brewster opposed the motion. The motion was approved 4-1.

There was discussion regarding the potential for the LCSWDC to oversee the Poplar Springs landfill maintenance and expenditures in the future. The Board also expressed the need for further clarity with regard to future financial liability for the site and the process for approval of expenditures. Mr. Field

stated that he would invite Mayor Bradshaw and the other stakeholder representatives to the upcoming meeting in order to discuss these issues.

Mr. Stevens presented the Attorney's Report. He distributed a document of the existing County Performance Security Performance Bond, issued pursuant with the current landfill contract. This Bond will provide coverage of up to one million dollars to the LCSWDC in the event of any default by Santek for failure to close any portion of the landfill or provide post closure care.

Mr. Steve Field presented the Chairman's report. He presented the invoice for monthly legal fees from Kennerly Montgomery totaling \$2,500 and employee payroll taxes totaling \$53.83.

Ms. Kelly Littleton-Brewster inquired about the tipping rates that Santek is charging for the county schools and county office buildings, specifically associated with the dumpster rentals and tipping fees. Mr. Ben Johnston stated that Santek was awarded the bid through a competitive bidding process. He clarified that the pricing is based on the number of pulls for each dumpster instead of the weight of the dumpster. The rates have not been adjusted since Santek initiated the contract.

MOTION: Ms. Tammi Bivens made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m. and Mr. Art Stewart seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

The Commission's next scheduled meeting is November 12th, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the Loudon County Courthouse Annex.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Field, Chairman

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