

Minutes

Loudon County Solid Waste Disposal Commission

February 11th, 2020

The Loudon County Solid Waste Disposal Commission met on February 11th, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at the Loudon County Courthouse Annex. The Commission was represented by Steve Field, Art Stewart, John Watkins, Kelly Littleton-Brewster, and Tammi Bivens. Other attendees included Attorney Kevin Stevens; Santek representatives Ben Johnston, Kaitlyn Hampton, and Justin Givens; and residents Matt Chapman, Brian Viars, and Aileen Longmire.

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.

It was discussed that the meeting minutes contained grammatical errors that required revision.

MOTION: Ms. Tammi Bivens made a motion to approve the amended minutes of January 14th, 2020. Ms. Kelly Littleton-Brewster seconded the motion. Mr. Art Stewart abstained as he was not present at the subject meeting. The amended minutes were approved 4-0.

During Items of Public Concern, Mr. Matt Chapman commended Santek on its recent efforts to alleviate the mud and debris from being tracked onto the highway from the landfill. He stated that he has seen a vast difference since the last meeting; however, there is still room for improvement. Mr. Brian Viars agreed with Mr. Chapman.

Ms. Kelly Littleton-Brewster spoke on behalf of Mr. Larry Jameson. She stated that she had an opportunity to discuss the issue of mud and debris with Mr. Jameson prior to the current meeting and they both agreed that recent improvements have been made. Ms. Littleton-Brewster also stated that she and Mr. Jameson have both received fewer complaints about the highway since January's meeting.

Ms. Littleton-Brewster asked that Santek provide an update regarding whether inmates have collected litter on the highway outside of the landfill. Mr. Givens stated that he had not seen the inmates; however, landfill employees had recently collected the litter from both sides of the highway.

Ms. Aileen Longmire inquired about whether the landfill had any issues relative to the recent earthquake and the persistent inclement weather. Mr. Ben Johnston stated that Santek has taken additional measures to ensure safety and compliance.

Ms. Kaitlyn Hampton presented the Cash Activity Report and the Operations Report for January 2020.

Ms. Littleton-Brewster stated that the landfill should start receiving waste from the Loudon County Courthouse demolition soon.

Ms. Littleton-Brewster inquired about the current TDEC inspector for the landfill. Mr. Givens updated that the inspectors are on a rotation and assigned by TDEC. He stated that a new inspector will be assigned to the landfill in June 2020.

Mr. Field inquired about the Origin Report documentation that usually comes with the Quarterly Surcharge Report. Mr. Ben Johnston verified that the document is missing and stated that he would distribute it at the next meeting.

Mr. Kevin Stevens provided a Contract Modification Update. He stated that a meeting was held between Santek representatives, Mr. Field, and himself on January 24th, after having issued the notice of default to Santek. Santek responded by implementing several operational changes which Mr. Stevens referred to Mr. Ben Johnston to explain in more detail.

Mr. Johnston spoke of the additional measures taken by Santek, which are as follows: increased communication between Santek and the LCSWDC; a zero tolerance policy with constituents who do not comply with landfill policies; all access roads were stripped of existing rock and replaced with several different sizes of rock; hiring additional landfill employees; reworking the landfill ingress and egress traffic; purchasing additional pressure washers and a street sweeper; placing additional warning lights and signs on the highway and the landfill equipment; and implementing specific operational procedures during inclement weather. Mr. Johnston also stated that Mr. Matt Dillard (Santek EVP of Landfill Operations) and Mr. Levi Higdon (Santek Regional Manager) have spent an extensive amount of time on site at the landfill to provide additional corporate support. Mr. Johnston also updated that Santek issued a \$94,000 PO on January 31st to Moby Dick, relative to a pressurized wheel wash system which will be manufactured, delivered, and installed at the landfill in 18 to 22 weeks.

Mr. Stevens stated that Santek's efforts to control debris and litter from leaving the landfill will continue to be closely monitored.

Mr. Art Stewart requested that Santek date and time stamp all photos that they share with the LCSWDC as well as take them from the same point of view each day.

The LCSWDC officer elections were held.

MOTION: Mr. John Watkins nominated Mr. Steve Field as the LCSWDC Chair Person and Mr. Art Stewart seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 as Mr. Field abstained.

MOTION: Ms. Kelly Littleton-Brewster nominated Mr. John Watkins as the LCSWDC Vice Chair Person and Ms. Tammi Bivens seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0 as Mr. Watkins abstained.

MOTION: Ms. Kelly Littleton-Brewster nominated Mr. Larry Jameson as the LCSWDC Secretary and Ms. Tammi Bivens seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5-0.

Mr. Kevin Stevens updated that he is waiting on the final resolutions from the County in order to update the Commissioner's term history.

Mr. Steve Field presented the Chairman's report and the following invoices for payment: employee payroll taxes totaling \$53.83; publication of the LCSWDC meetings in the News Herald totaling \$92.75; services provided by Dr. Bachus totaling \$504.70 for which the Commission requested more information before submitting payment.

Mr. Field stated that Geosyntec has requested to increase their revised consulting project budget to \$35,000. Mr. Stevens agreed to send a response which does not require the LCSWDC to spend any additional money, but provides clarity for Geosyntec's accounting purposes.

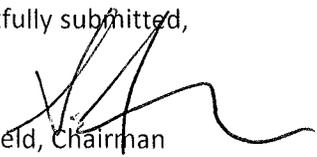
Mr. Field provided an update regarding the Solid Waste Conference in May. He stated that the tuition is \$325.

MOTION: Ms. Tammi Bivens made a motion to reimburse the LCSWDC Commissioners for their expenses associated with attending the Solid Waste Conference. Mr. John Watkins seconded the motion. It passed 5-0.

MOTION: Ms. Kelly Littleton-Brewster made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m. and Mr. Art Stewart seconded the motion. It passed 5-0.

The Commission's next scheduled meeting is March 10th, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at the Loudon County Courthouse Annex.

Respectfully submitted,


Steve Field, Chairman

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