Minutes Loudon County Solid Waste Disposal Commission June 12, 2012

The Loudon County Solid Waste Disposal Commission (Commission) met on June 12, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at the Loudon County Courthouse Annex. The Commission was represented by Steve Field, Jim Akins, Robert Harrison, Aprell Patterson, Ted Sitzlar, and John Watkins. Other attendees included Attorney Bud Gilbert; Santek representatives Cheryl Dunson and Levi Higdon; Gordon Harless with Loudon County; Aileen Longmire, Pat Hunter and an unidentified resident.

Mr. Field called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

There were no Items of Public Concern.

Ms. Dunson presented the Cash Activity Reports for May. Mr. Field asked Ms. Dunson to inquire with Santek Engineering about the possibility of acquiring a Shape File of the recent aerial topographic survey of the Commission's recent property purchases. Due to the survey's good quality, Mr. Field said Loudon County would like to integrate it into the county's existing GIS system. Ms. Dunson said she would check on its availability.

During Santek's Operations Report, Mr. Harrison asked Ms. Dunson if the majority of Philip Metals' waste stream was originating at the company's Knoxville or Roane County facilities. She said she would check with David Hollinshead, who handles the account for Santek. Ms. Dunson also pointed to the approval letter from the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation's (TDEC) Knoxville Field Office to re-enter Module G.

Mr. Field asked the Commission to review the new contract for the annual audit. Mr. Watkins asked how the amount of the audit compared to last year. Mr. Field stated it was approximately five percent more than last year's amount.

MOTION: Mr. Stizlar made a motion to accept the contract. Mr. Harrison seconded the motion. The Commission approved the motion unanimously.

Mr. Harrison said he has had discussions with representatives from Rock Tenn, which manages a single-source facility for the City of Knoxville's recycling program. He said the entire Commission has an invitation to tour the facility as a group or individually.

Mr. Field asked for a motion to approve the minutes of May 8, 2012 with several corrections, including the addition of Mr. Harless to the attendee list. A second correction consisted of Mr. Watkins hearing a presentation at TDEC's solid waste conference in April regarding Cumberland County's glass crushing and recycling machine. The minutes erroneously stated Mr. Watkins had traveled to Cumberland County to witness the program.

<u>MOTION:</u> Mr. Sitzlar made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. Mr. Watkins seconded the motion. The Commission approved the motion unanimously.

During the Attorney's Report, Mr. Gilbert said he continues to work on refurbishing the Commissioners' manual as well as making revisions to the Commission's contact sheet. He also said he is working on drafting a charter for a committee or task force the Commission has previously discussed appointing to help develop a master land use plan for the Matlock Bend landfill and the Commission's recent adjoining property purchases.

Mr. Field said he wants the Commission to initiate an independent study and review of the landfill's long-term financial health and Santek's operation of the landfill. Mr. Field said he wants an independent party to review the closure/post-closure accruals as well as to ensure Santek is managing and operating the landfill in compliance with its operating agreement and applicable TDEC regulations. More particularly, Mr. Field wants to make certain storm water is being managed adequately. He said the audit should occur before the creation of the master land use plan because it might influence its outcome. After some discussion by the Commission, Mr. Field said he would write a proposal for the audit and present it to the Commission for its consideration and input at its next meeting.

Mr. Field asked the Commission for feedback into the development of the master land use plan. Mr. Harrison and Mr. Sitzlar both agreed it would be best to defer the plan until the compliance review is complete. Mr. Sitzlar also observed that the Atchley property purchase would not be finalized until January 2013 and, therefore, is a missing but necessary piece to the plan. Mr. Watkins concurred and said the Commission is waiting on several outstanding issues including the compliance review, the master plan committee's charter and the identification and appointment of that committee's members.

In order to draft the proposed charter for the master plan committee, Mr. Gilbert said it would be helpful to know who the Commission wants on the committee and in what capacity would members serve. He also said it would be beneficial to know how many members would comprise the committee as well as how much public involvement the Commission anticipated. Mr. Field said he thought three members of the Commission was appropriate, one each from the three governmental stakeholders to the Commission, as well as Mr. Harless, John Goddard with the UT Agricultural Extension Service, and several members of the public, including an industrial representative. After some discussion on proposed timelines, available expertise and other resources, needed budgets and possible facilitators, the Commission's goal is to have a committee in place by August.

Mr. Watkins asked Ms. Dunson to follow up on getting cross sections of the major permit modification's final elevations. She said she could provide the Commission with the elevations, but did not know how relevant it would be in providing an accurate picture of the landfill's overall view shed in relation to its neighbors. Mr. Field said he will be working with Kim Rhea from CTAS, who has offered to assist the Commission with the view shed project. She had indicated that she should be able to incorporate the final contours and elevations into the design.

MOTION: Mr. Akins made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 and Mr. Watkins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Commission's next regularly scheduled meeting is July 10, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at the Courthouse Annex.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Field, Chairman

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