## Minutes Loudon County Solid Waste Disposal Commission April 9, 2013

The Loudon County Solid Waste Disposal Commission (Commission) met on April 9, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. at the Loudon County Courthouse Annex. The Commission was represented by Steve Field, Bill Waldrop, Robert Harrison, John Watkins and Jim Akins. Other attendees included Attorney Kevin Stevens; Santek representatives Cheryl Dunson and Levi Higdon; Gordon Harless with Loudon County; Pat Hunter; Ailene Longmire; and several other unidentified citizens.

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

**MOTION:** Mr. Waldrop made a motion to approve the February 12, 2013 minutes. Mr. Harrison seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

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During the Items of Public Concern, Ms. Hunter asked Mr. Field if he intends to put information about the Commission's meetings on Loudon County's web site prior to the meeting. Mr. Field said he was working to accomplish that goal. She also asked Mr. Field for an explanation for the \$18,926.73 line item for Legal Services in the Monthly Cash Report. Mr. Field replied that this line item included bills for certain legal services rendered during 2012 that were recently invoiced and paid. He also noted that attorney Stevens has been actively involved in reviewing certain aspects of the GeoSyntec landfill evaluation. Mr. Field told Ms. Longmire she could get a breakdown of expenses from Brenda at the county office building.

Ms. Longmire said any private meetings with Santek should be discussed in an open forum. Mr. Field disagreed and said no decisions were being made. The meetings are for clarification and informational purposes only.

Ms. Dunson presented the Cash Activity Report and the Landfill Operations Report. Mr. Harrison asked if Santek had seen a decline in the Tate & Lyle's waste streams. She said there hasn't been a reduction in the company's waste volumes.

During the Attorney's Report, Mr. Stevens reported the Commission's audit is complete and he distributed a final copy to Commissioners. He also said he would distribute copies to the Commission's stakeholders and post it on the county's website.

Mr. Stevens said the Atchley property was closed on February 15, 2013 and the Commission is obligated to install a three-strand, barbed wire fence within 90 days of the closing date. He said Loudon County Fence Company submitted the only proposal of \$8,044.55 and would begin work the week of April 15, 2013.

Mr. Stevens presented the Commission with a survey map reflecting all of the Commission's new property acquisitions. Mr. Field said he would get a PDF copy of the survey and have it posted on the county's web site. Mr. Harrison asked if there would be an AutoCAD version of the survey and Mr. Field replied in the affirmative.

Mr. Field said representatives with GeoSyntec continue to review the landfill operations and financial information, and should have a draft evaluation to circulate internally for comments within 10 to 14 days.

Mr. Field said he is meeting with Loudon County Mayor Estelle Herron and Matt Maynard from the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) April 18<sup>th</sup> to finalize the county's Qualitative Evaluation regarding local waste reduction efforts.

Mr. Field asked Commissioners if they wanted to renew the mowing contract with Jamie Miller. Mr. Miller charges \$200 per cutting and it encompasses approximately five acres of the Purdy property.

**MOTION:** Mr. Harrison made a motion to renew the contract for one year. Mr. Waldrop seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Field reminded Commissioners about TDEC's Annual Solid Waste Conference at the end of the month in Gatlinburg.

Mr. Field asked Mr. Harless about the County's recent Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event. Mr. Harless said 249 residents took advantage of the event and Mr. Watkins, who attended the event, said everything appeared to run smoothly.

Mr. Watkins suggested sending a reminder to the new Commissioners about the monthly meetings.

**MOTION:** Mr., Waldrop made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Watkins seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The Commission's next regularly scheduled meeting is May 14, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. at the Courthouse Annex.

Respectfully/submitted,

Steve Field, Chairman

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