

## Minutes

### Loudon County Solid Waste Disposal Commission

July 10th, 2018

The Loudon County Solid Waste Disposal Commission met on July 10th, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Loudon County Office Building. The meeting was briefly adjourned due to a power outage and the participants reconvened at the Loudon City Hall. The Commission was represented by Steve Field, Art Stewart, John Watkins, Kelly Littleton-Brewster, Larry Jameson, and Dennis Stewart. Other attendees included Attorney Kevin Stevens, Ty Ross, Mayor Greenway, and Sheriff Tim Guider; Santek representatives Raymond Givens, Cheryl Dunson, and Kaitlyn Hampton; and residents Aileen Longmire and Pat Hunter.

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:** Mrs. Kelly Littleton-Brewster made a motion to approve the minutes of June 12th, 2018. Mr. Art Stewart seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Mayor Bradshaw joined the meeting for a Skype conference to discuss the status of the Poplar Springs repairs. During this conference, he addressed the previous proposal from LCSWDC for it to relinquish the responsibility over the Poplar Springs funds designated for the repairs. Mayor Bradshaw was not in favor of this proposal. Mayor Bradshaw noted that the stakeholders (Loudon City, Lenoir City, and Loudon County) previously passed a Resolution designating the County the acting fiscal agent. He asked LCSWDC to authorize a process for the County to oversee the completion of repairs and disposition of funds with concurrence from LCSWDC.

**MOTION:** Mrs. Kelly Littleton-Brewster made a motion to approve expenditures based upon the County Mayor's written authorization and his representation of the County as the designated fiscal agent to direct the Poplar Springs project on behalf of all three stakeholders. Mr. Dennis Stewart seconded the motion. Mr. Art Stewart abstained.

**AMMENDED MOTION:** Mr. Larry Jameson made a motion to amend the previous motion to implement a process that allows Mayor Bradshaw to authorize and pay any expenditures with written notice and concurrence of the LCSWDC, and all expenditures would then be ratified by LCSWDC at a later meeting. Mr. John Watkins seconded the motion.

Mayor Bradshaw updated about the upcoming preconstruction meeting for Poplar Springs. Mr. Larry Jameson voiced his concerns about funding for the project; however, Mayor Bradshaw felt confident that expenditures would total less than the projected cost. He also spoke about the reapplication for a grant that would allow an additional \$30,000 reimbursement. An update was also given about outstanding invoices from consultants dating back to 2017 for work during the grant writing process as well as on-site visits to observe the physical condition of the land. These invoices are totaled as follows: \$2,316.15, \$1,530, \$360, \$1,755, \$1,481.17. He requested that LCSWDC concur with processing these invoices for payment.

During items of Public Concern, Ms. Pat Hunter asked about the accounting of the costs of monitoring Poplar Springs after the abovementioned construction project is complete. Mrs. Kelly Littleton-Brewster

updated that a detailed plan is necessary in order to move forward with funding. She also noted that the monitoring would take place over a 10-year period with a total of \$2,000-\$5,000 in costs for each year. Ms. Susan Huskey updated that, to her knowledge, the grant does not allow for a post-closure monitoring budget at this time; however, a request has been made to include these funds. Sheriff Tim Guider and Officer AJ Yokley spoke about the potential to build a firing range at the Matlock Bend Landfill property for use of local FBI agents and law enforcement. This facility would be funded and built by the FBI and would include areas for classroom training as well as three 20 lane firing ranges. After construction, the FBI would relinquish responsibility to Loudon County pursuant to a proposed 30 year MOU. Mr. Larry Jameson spoke about the noise pollution as well as the intended use for soil excavation on the proposed property. The FBI is currently asking for permission to access the property to conduct a feasibility test. Mr. Ty Ross stated his concerns about the negative impact of a firing range on future development and the resulting loss of property tax revenue.

**MOTION:** Mrs. Kelly Littleton-Brewster made a motion to give Officer AJ Yokley permission to do a feasibility study alongside the FBI on Parcel's 1 and 2 of the LCSWDC's property on Matlock Bend. Mr. Art Stewart seconded the motion. Mr. Dennis Stewart opposed.

Ms. Kaitlyn Hampton presented the Cash Activity Report for June 2018.

Ms. Kaitlyn Hampton presented Santek's Operations Report for June 2018.

Mr. Kevin Stevens updated about the Contract Modification process. The issues have been narrowed significantly in the negotiation discussions; however, Santek has a few more details they would like to discuss relative to the financial parameters and the closure schedule. Santek recently asked for another meeting with Mr. Larry Jameson and Mr. Kevin Stevens to continue negotiations. That meeting has yet to be scheduled but Mr. Kevin Stevens will provide an update at the next scheduled LCSWDC meeting.

Mr. Kevin Stevens presented the Attorney's Report. He updated about the response letter that was sent to Santek, addressed from Mr. Steve Field, requesting an independent audit to be conducted at Santek's cost due to the breach of contract in implementing an environmental fee without LCSWDC permission. Mrs. Cheryl Dunson updated that Santek would have three years of previous sales journals available for viewing at Santek's corporate office, as required by the contract. Mr. Dennis Stewart and the Board requested that Mrs. Cheryl Dunson consult with Santek's accounting department regarding making this information available electronically. Mr. Kevin Stevens also distributed a News Harold article pertaining to the environmental fee.

Mr. Steve Field presented the Chairman's Report. The expenditures include employee taxes for the previous month totaling \$53. He also presented the Indemnity Form from Santek concerning the liability of the landfill. There were no other invoices at the time.

**MOTION:** Mr. Larry Jameson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. and Mr. Art Stewart seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

The Commission's next regularly scheduled meeting is August 14th, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Loudon County Courthouse Annex.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Field". The signature is stylized with a large initial "S" and a long horizontal stroke.

Steve Field, Chairman

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