

Minutes

Loudon County Solid Waste Disposal Commission

Special Called Meeting

April 30th, 2019

The Loudon County Solid Waste Disposal Commission met on April 30th, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the Loudon County Courthouse Annex. The Commission was represented by Steve Field, Art Stewart, John Watkins, Bruce Hamilton, Kelly Littleton-Brewster, Larry Jameson, and Tammi Bivens. Other attendees included Attorney Kevin Stevens; Santek representatives Ben Johnston, and Justin Givens; and residents Pat Hunter and JJ Cox.

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.

Mr. Kevin Stevens provided an update regarding the Contract Modification process.

After several discussions between Dr. Bachus and Santek's engineering team, Santek has proposed a concept change.

Santek's proposal included the use of a performance bond for the entire site and having a fixed footprint of 53 acres that would include a Life of Site Contract relative to those 53 acres. The closure obligations would also be bonded to eliminate the longstanding obligation for the stakeholders. The post closure care costs would then be the responsibility of the stakeholders. Santek also proposed that the security fee remain fixed at the current contract rate but the host fee would increase to 5.5% to offset the cost of using the adjacent soil.

Mr. Kevin Stevens contacted TDEC regarding whether a performance bond would release the County from its annual financial assurance contract. TDEC was able to verify that it would. Mr. Stevens clarified that he would obtain formal documentation of that information before finalizing the proposal.

Mr. Kevin Stevens also spoke about the parameters for the term of the proposed contract potentially extending to the year 2044. He stated that a 2044 term would reflect Santek's daily tonnage dropping to roughly 400 tons. Mr. Steve Field said that Dr. Bachus had projected that if tonnage is maintained at the current volume then airspace would be consumed around 2036.

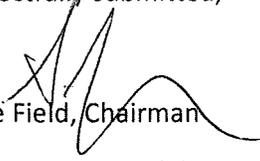
The board discussed countering Santek's proposal with the definitive full date of 2036.

Mr. Kevin Stevens spoke about permitting more than 53 acres to allow the Commission more flexibility in the future. The Commission discussed permitting up to 67 acres. The Commission decided to have further discussions with Santek and TDEC regarding the permitted acreage.

MOTION: Mr. Bruce Hamilton made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 p.m. and Mr. Art Stewart seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

The Commission's next regularly scheduled meeting is May 14th, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the Loudon County Courthouse Annex.

Respectfully submitted,



Steve Field, Chairman

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