

Benton County Solid Waste Disposal Commission
Meeting Minutes
Meeting Thursday December 21, 2017

Meeting Held at Van Horne Community Center, 508 1st Avenue, Van Horne, Iowa

Present: Jared Vogeler, City of Van Horne; Loras Schulte, City of Norway; Doug Kearns, City of Garrison; Tracy Seeman, Benton County; Brian McNulty, City of Blairstown; Gary Bierschenk, Benton County; Bryce Brecht, Benton County; Tim Yoder, City of Walford; Mike Seeck, City of Keystone; Nancy Jensen, Benton County; Mary Peck, City of Belle Plaine; John Watson, City of Vinton; Jen Zahradnik, Benton County; Diane Schmuecker, Benton County; Nancy Thorkildson, City of Shellsburg; Eric Werner, Landfill Manager; Alicia Presto, ECICOG.

1. Meeting called to order by John Watson, Chairman at 6:30 pm.
2. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting. Motion by Schulte, seconded by Kearns to approve minutes. All aye. Motion carried.
3. Opening Sealed Bids for Farm Ground: Sealed bids were opened for rental of 40 acres of farm ground owned by the Commission. After bids were opened, each bidder had an opportunity to raise their bid. Final high bid was \$205 per acre for two year lease. Motion made by Seeck, seconded by Brecht to accept the bid of \$205 per acre to Mark Kotouc and Dustin Schirm. All aye. Motion carried.
4. Treasurer Report: report was presented to the Commission. No further discussion was held. Motion by Schulte, seconded by Brecht to accept Financial Report as presented. All aye. Motion carried.
5. Landfill Manager Report: Mr. Werner reported that a room has been framed up in the old shop for use. The old scale is good to use. REC will be moving the electrical service pole and utilities in preparations of building the new scale house. Letting for the Building RFP is due January 17, 2018 at noon. The notice will be published two weeks prior.
6. ECICOG Report: Alicia Presto from ECICOG was present to update the Commission on the Education program. The Summer Reading Program will be completed again this year. The USDA grant funds will be put to use with training for HHM focus.
7. Action Items –
 - Resolution 2017-12-01 Approval of Expenditures. Motion by Schulte, seconded by Schmuecker, All Aye. Motion Carried.
 - Resolution 2017-12-02 Transfer of Funds between Savings/Checking. Motion by Schulte, seconded by Kearns. All aye. Motion carried.
 - Resolution 2017-12-03 Transfer of funds to Capital Account. Motion by Kearns, seconded by Brecht. All aye. Motion carried.
8. Other Business:
 - Credit Application – no applications were submitted for approval.
 - Budget discussion was held for FY2019. This was discussion only and will need to be approved. New rate for Cities \$26 and for Rural \$30 a \$2 reduction for FY18. Motion was made by Schmuecker, seconded by Schulte to approve the new per capita fee rate for FY18. All aye. Motion carried. Motion was made by Schulte, seconded by Schmuecker to approve the budget as presented for Fiscal Year 2019. All aye. Motion carried.
 - Approve Request for Proposal for scale house bid letting. RFP, drafted by the Commission's Attorney. Motion was made by Zahradnik to approve with the change in Section 2.D. from \$150 to \$500 per day, seconded by Brecht. All aye. Motion carried.
9. Public Comments: Diane Schmuecker, Benton County representative, announced that this would be her last meeting. Benton County Supervisor recognized her for her service.
10. Adjourn: Motion made by Zahradnik, seconded by Schulte to adjourn. All aye. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Signature of Approval

Date