

Benton County Solid Waste Disposal Commission

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Thursday January 18, 2018

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

Present: Loras Schulte, City of Norway; Jennifer Zahradnik, Benton County; John Watson, City of Vinton; Doug Kearns, City of Garrison; Dave Fish, City of Belle Plaine; Brian McNulty, City of Blairstown; Doug Rindernecht, City of Newhall; Nancy Thorkildson, City of Shellsburg; Nancy Jensen, Benton County; Tracy Seeman, Benton County; Jared Vogeler, City of Van Horne; Bryce Brecht, Benton County; Gary Bierschenck, Benton County; Tim Yoder, City of Walford; 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. Treasurer Report Presented. Motion by Brecht, seconded by Rindernecht to approve. All aye. Motion carried.
4. Landfill Manager Report: Mr. Werner reported that there has been no equipment issues with the recent cold weather. Auditor is finishing up the Audit for FY 2017. Keeping staff busy in the shop doing preventative maintenance on the equipment. HLW Engineering is working on the Water Quality Report that is due 3/31/2018.
5. ECICOG Report: Alicia Presto updated the Commission on the Summer Library Reading Program. Americorp will be presenting the book to the libraries again this summer. Area Libraries have been given notice that the Summer Reading Program is taken place again this year and ECICOG is waiting to compile a list of those that are interested to begin scheduling. One onsite training session has been given at the landfill for staff. The topic was Cold Weather training and this is being paid for with the USDA Grants that were awarded for the training. Jeff Schott from the Public Institute of Affairs is putting together a presentation for the Commission Members to be given in early April.
6. Action Items –
 - Resolution 2018-01-01 Approval of Expenditures. Motion by Schulte, seconded by Brecht. All Aye. Motion Carried.
 - Resolution 2018-01-02 Transfer of Funds between Savings/Checking. Motion by Fish, seconded by Schulte. All aye. Motion carried.
 - Resolution 2018-01-03 Transfer of funds to Capital Account. Motion by Fish, seconded by Schulte. All aye. Motion carried.
 - Resolution 2018-01-04 Named Depositories for the Commission. Motion by Brecht, seconded by McNulty. All aye. Motion carried.
7. Other Business:
 - Review/Discuss Bids for Scale House Construction: Motion made by Schulte, seconded by Fish, to reject all bids. All aye. Motion carried.
 - Committee comprised of Schulte, Seeman, Kearns and Watson was named to relook at the requested structure and be ready at the February meeting to approve the new RFP for Bids.
 - Discussion of Auditing Firm: discussion was held concerning the Auditor's not meeting the RFP that was bid by them. The RFP required the Audit to be completed by the January Meeting annually and it required them to make a site visit when preparing the audit. The Landfill Manager is to send them a note to request them to present the Audit for FY'17 when completed.
 - Reminder was made for Election of Officers at February's Meeting.
8. Public Comments: none.
9. Adjourn: Motion made by Schulte, seconded by Zahradnik to adjourn. All aye. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Signature of Approval

Date