

Minutes of Meeting
Solid Waste Monthly Discussion
April 6, 2015
10:30 a.m.

The Kootenai County Board of Commissioners: Chairman David Stewart, Commissioner Dan Green and Commissioner Marc Eberlein met to discuss the following agenda items. Also present were Solid Waste Director Cathy Mayer, and Deputy Clerk Meshell Missler.

- A. Call to Order:** Chairman David Stewart called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.
- B. Introductions:** There were no introductions made.
- C. Changes to the Agenda:** There were no changes to the agenda.
- D. Old Business:** There was no old business discussed.
- E. New Business:**

Solid Waste Director Cathy Mayer gave the Board an update of the Solid Waste department. Some of the topics discussed were as follows:

- Ms. Mayer said there were complaints received from the Wolf Lodge rural site regarding a huge amount of wood debris dumped in front of the dumpster. This has been cleaned up and follow up is being done by the Sheriff's Office.
- Ms. Mayer said there were also complaints received about the Mica Bay and Sunup Bay rural sites regarding salvagers attempting to take customer trash before they place it in the dumpsters, which has frightened some customers. Ms. Mayer said there is follow up being done on this issue as well.
- Four seasonal employees have just been hired and have started to help manage the rural sites.
- Wolf Lodge bridge is going to be reconstructed and will encroach about 15 feet onto the County's current site. Ms. Mayer said the Solid Waste department is currently looking for property to move that site to after the bridge is completed.
- Rose Lake Update: Ms. Mayer reminded the Board that the County was looking at a Rose Lake location that area residents strongly opposed due to concerns about the year round stream and possible flooding during Spring and Summer. Area residents proposed another site only about 1000 feet away, and Ms. Mayer has approached the property owners who are receptive. She said they are negotiating terms at present, and if they agree on a price, she would still need to hold a community meeting and apply for a Conditional Use Permit. She said the timeframe for this being completed is probably around Summer 2016.

- Landfill and Environmental development:
 - Ms. Mayer said her department is working on fencing, storm water controls and gas piping; and most of the work will be completed internally using staff and County equipment.
 - Regarding the landfill life cycle analysis which is completed every three to five years, Ms. Mayer said they will fly over the area and get some updated topography to see how much fill area has been consumed. Once that data is obtained, she can estimate the compaction density.
 - Ms. Mayer said in the upcoming budget they are going to start permitting the remainder of the landfill for long term disposal. Currently the landfill is permitted to go through 2042.
 - Ms. Mayer said a consultant from Parametrics will be helping with the spring environmental sampling next week and the air permit which is up for a 5 year renewal.

- Wood waste recycling has gone out to bid and four bids were received. Cannon Hill was the low bidder and their contract will likely take effect on July 1, 2015 with a five year term.

Chairman Stewart said he received a phone call from a citizen complaining about restrictions on dumping latex paint only in five gallon increments. Ms. Mayer said Solid Waste is tracking the use of hazardous waste and researching the Hazmat requirements. The Board questioned whether the County should control these limits. Ms. Mayer said there are limits set forth by the land use permits and additional Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations on how to handle hazardous waste. Ms. Mayer said she would follow up with the Board with more specifics on what the regulations are and the tracking of results by her department.

- Single Stream Recycling: There is a meeting on April 15, 2015 with Coeur d'Alene Garbage/Northwest Waste and Recycling regarding the amount of materials being dropped off on a daily basis. Ms. Mayer said there is a question about the materials being waste or being recyclables which need to be separated from waste. Ms. Mayer has given Northwest Waste and Recycling one month to drop off their mixed materials and she is analyzing the amount of County labor to separate it. She said so far it is taking about three hours a day to separate the materials.

Commissioner Green said that recycling is an environmentally responsible thing to do, but it does not save the County money, it actually costs the County money.

Chairman Stewart said if people are dropping off "product" we should take it.

F. Public Comment: This section is reserved for citizens wishing to address the Board regarding a County related issue. Idaho Law prohibits Board action on items brought under this section except in an emergency circumstance. Comments related to future public hearings should be held for that public hearing. There were no public comments.

Chairman Stewart adjourned the meeting at 11:12 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

DAVID STEWART, CHAIRMAN

BY: _____
Meshell Missler, Deputy Clerk
