

Minutes of Meeting
Solid Waste Monthly Discussion
October 26, 2015
11:00 a.m.

The Kootenai County Board of Commissioners: Chairman Dan Green, Commissioner Marc Eberlein, and Commissioner David Stewart met to discuss the following agenda items. Also present were Solid Waste Director Cathy Mayer, Transfer Station Manager Doug Goodwin, and Deputy Clerks Theresa Atchley and Alicia Lynch.

- A. Call to Order:** Chairman Dan Green called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.
- B. Introductions:** Chairman Green introduced the meeting participants for the record.
- C. Changes to the Agenda:** There were no changes to the agenda.
- D. Old Business:** There was no old business discussed.
- E. New Business:**

Update on Hazardous Waste Collection

Solid Waste Director Cathy Mayer described changes made over the summer to the Hazardous Waste Collection procedures. She stated that an additional day of Hazardous Waste drop off had been added June through August, and that that Solid Waste had obtained a temporary permit allowing them to collect 10 gallons of hazardous waste material per customer instead of five gallons as they had in the past. She explained more data was needed to determine how this affected their volume but so long as they could continue to manage the additional gallons Solid Waste would continue to collect 10 gallons per customer. She told the Board she would pursue getting the 10 gallon limit made permanent and would bring back the additional drop off day for the summer of 2016, as long as Solid Waste maintained its current staff capacity.

Update on Miscellaneous Recycling Issues

Ms. Mayer updated the Board on the County's current contract with ECS Refining in Stockton, California. She explained that currently the County does not pay ECS to process the recyclables nor does the County receive any revenue for recycling with ECS; however the County spent \$65,000 in freight charges to transport recyclables to Stockton. She stated that ECS Refining will cover this \$65,000 freight charge for FY2016 and said there may be an opportunity to renew this clause in future years.

Ms. Mayer provided an update on Coeur D'Alene Garbage/Post Falls Sanitation's use of the Prairie Transfer site. She stated that 829 tons of recyclables had been managed at the Prairie Transfer site in a 4 1/2 month period before being transferred to Bluebird Recycling, a company owned by Waste Management. She added that in mid August a

change in procedure was made with Coeur D'Alene Garbage/Post Falls Sanitation to have them transport the waste directly to Bluebird Recycling instead of passing through the Prairie Transfer site. She stated that 267 tons of recyclables were transported this way through the end of the fiscal year at an approximate cost to the County of \$3,480, at \$13 per ton. She explained this change freed up both space and manpower at the Prairie Transfer station.

Solid Waste Strategic Planning Workshop

Ms. Mayer explained to the Board the intention of Solid Waste to hold a Strategic Planning Workshop. She explained the goal of the workshop was to discuss the following:

- Recycling
- Landfill expansion
- Hazardous Waste
- Board's ideas for Solid Waste

She stated the meeting would be on November 16, 2015, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. She added that these strategies would be funded by Solid Waste Operations.

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 Green adjourned the meeting at 11:34 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

DANIEL H. GREEN, CHAIRMAN

BY: _____
Alicia Lynch, Deputy Clerk
