

**Minutes of Meeting
Solid Waste Update
June 6, 2016
10:30 a.m.**

The Kootenai County Board of Commissioners: Chairman Dan Green and Commissioner Marc Eberlein met to discuss the following agenda items. Also present were Solid Waste Director Cathy Mayer and Deputy Clerks Alicia Lynch and Randi Davis. Commissioner David Stewart was excused.

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

Project Updates

Solid Waste Director Cathy Mayer said the County would shortly begin to use the last developed section of the landfill. She explained that as each section was filled it would be covered in plastic and then a new layer would be stacked over the previous layer. Ms. Mayer informed the Board that Solid Waste would soon begin covering sections not in use with plastic; and that this covering allowed Solid Waste to treat the water as clean storm water instead of leachate, which requires misting. Chairman Green noted the plastic would save the County on gas that would have been used to mist the leachate.

Ms. Mayer informed the Board that the landfill had been chosen to be the first of the County's Time Warner/Information Systems tie-in projects to improve communications. She said landfill staff had run cables through the gas-to-energy plant, and Time Warner would run new fiber optic wires through the landfill.

Ms. Mayer reported that Solid Waste planned to budget for the landfill expansion engineering and construction costs in Fiscal Year (FY) 2018.

Recycle Options and Contracting

Ms. Mayer reported that Bluebird Recycling may not be closing their local operations June 30, 2016 after all. She informed the Board that Solid Waste had cautiously proceeded as if the June 30th date was certain. Ms. Mayer said that she had conferred with Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Jamila Holmes and was informed that Solid Waste would not be required to request a bid as long as the recycling contracts were valued under \$25,000. She requested the Board support Solid Waste's plan to manage

recycling operations by entering into multiple short-term agreements with other vendors on a 90 day trial basis after the closure of Bluebird Recycling.

Chairman Green requested Ms. Mayer and Ms. Holmes draft a memo on this plan for the Board to sign.

Ms. Mayer asked the Board for the approval to purchase a new compactor and corrugated cardboard collection bins for the Ramsey Transfer Station in this fiscal year instead of waiting until FY2017. She said the cost for the compactor and three collection bins was \$50,000.

Chairman Green requested Ms. Mayer send the Board a memo requesting to purchase the items with repurposed funds from FY2016 and to remove the items from the FY2017 Solid Waste Budget.

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 10:56 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

DANIEL H. GREEN, CHAIRMAN

BY: _____
Alicia Lynch, Deputy Clerk
