

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

March 23, 2012

9:00 a.m.

Don Hill County Administration Bldg.
20 S. Second St., Newark

Steve Davis, vice-chair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ATTENDANCE

Attending: Tim Bubb, Steve Davis, Gary Fischer, Ed Keister, Mike Kiger, Curtis Lee, Dane Shryock, Judy Shupe, Doug Smith, Lonnie Wood and Fred Shriner.

Not attending: Brad Feightner.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes from the January 27, 2012 Board meeting as submitted was made by Doug Smith and seconded by Fred Shriner. Motion carried without opposition.

COORDINATOR REPORT

Treasurer's Report – Carol advised the Board that the cash balance in the solid waste account at the end of February was \$3,076,312.70. Motion to approve the treasurer's report as presented was made by Judy Shupe. Lonnie Wood seconded the motion. The motion carried without opposition.

Legislative Review – Carol reported that SB290 has had both sponsor and proponent testimony, but opponent testimony has not yet been scheduled. OEPA has brought together representatives from CCAO, OSWDO, and the private waste industry. There is no consensus at the present. OEPA, Rumpke, and SWACO will be meeting to develop alternative language options. Carol spoke with Senator Schaffer on Wednesday and he said he is willing to meet with constituents. A handout was given to the Board with alternative language created by Eastman & Smith for review by districts to determine if there is consensus for putting it forward to the legislature. The Board asked David Northrop to review the language and share his thoughts with them on its merit.

Carol also advised the Board that representatives from CCAO and OSWDO have held four facilitated meeting to discuss desired changes and legislative priorities/positions. At this time the consensus of the group is that all existing authorities be retained by solid waste districts, the planning process should be streamlined to eliminate irrelevant content, that the time between updating plans be extended if a district is meeting its goals and the plan budget be made more general (less line-item detail), the process for

reducing fees be simplified, remove the “minimum” on disposal fees (caps should be retained), give districts a role in the landfill permitting process, give districts the ability to limit out of district waste to “publicly” owned facilities, give districts the ability to discontinue programs when the costs exceed economic viability, and add an 11th allowable use giving districts the ability to implement a program that helps to meet their goals even if it wasn’t included in their solid waste plan.

OLD BUSINESS

CONTRACT LANGUAGE CHANGES

At the January meeting Mark Zanghi from the Licking County Prosecutors’ Office asked that the Board look at language regarding equipment. This was tabled at the January meeting. Consensus of the Board was that there is no need to discuss this issue at today’s meeting. The item remains tabled for further discussion.

NEW BUSINESS

VACATION PAY-OUT

Lonnie Wood advised the Board that Jim Hart, Program Manager, Perry County Recycling & Litter Prevention has announced his retirement as of April 30, 2012.

Carol informed the Board that payments have been requested from Licking County and Perry County for pay-outs from the vacation/sick fund. Licking County is requesting \$2,254.80 for Richard Staggers (Recycling Department). His employment terminated February 3, 2012. Additionally Perry County is requesting \$1,811.51 for Debi Pingle (Litter Department). Her employment terminated February 17, 2012. Motion was made by Judy Shupe to approve vacation payouts as requested. Ed Keister seconded the motion. The motion carried without opposition.

Carol advised the Board that there will be two additional retirements this year (that she is aware of) and that the balance left in the vacation/sick payout fund (after the payments approved above are made) will not be sufficient to cover the projected payouts. Fred Shriner made a motion that \$20,000 be moved out of the District’s unappropriated balance and into fund #6026 (vacation/sick payout). Mike Kiger seconded the motion. The motion carried without opposition.

Carol explained to the Board the need to look at the language regarding payment of vacation and sick money to retired/terminated employees. When the policy was written for employees it covered those employees working 100% of their time for the district. Over the years things have changed and there are several employees who are pulled away from their solid waste/litter duties (sanitarians and deputies) for short times to assist with other departmental duties. This drops their time working for the district into the 70, 80, or 90% range. As the language stands now, our policy would not cover payout to these employees upon vacation/termination. Carol asked if the Board would like to revise the language to cover paying these employees proportional to their time spent working for the district. Steve Davis asked Carol if she could

write something up which would show the existing language and the proposed language for the Board's review for the next meeting. Carol stated that she would do so.

LICKING COUNTY LITTER OFFICE REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING

The Licking County Litter Office is requesting additional funding in the amount of \$13,686.00 to pay unemployment cost for two terminated employees. Larry Lloyd from Licking County Litter advised the Board of Directors that unemployment costs were not factored into his 2012 budget. The amount requested is projected to cover costs through 2012. Motion was made by Lonnie Wood to approve this request. Ed Keister seconded the motion. The motion carried without opposition.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim Hart stated that he had enjoyed his time at the Perry County Litter & Recycling Office and working with this district. He further stated that this district and the Board work well together and should be proud of their accomplishments.

Patty Bratton asked if she could get copies of the information regarding the HB592 review. (Secretary's note: Judy Shupe provided Patty with her copies)

Lonnie Wood advised the Board that the landfill odor in Perry County is still terrible. He just wanted the Board to be aware as it a very "hot" topic and he is sure they will be seeing, reading, and hearing more about this.

Larry Lloyd introduced Lindsey Grimm as a new employee for the Recycling Department.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for April 27, 2012 at **9:00 a.m. at the Don Hill County Administration Bldg, 20 S. Second Street** in Newark.

Motion to adjourn was made by Lonnie Wood, seconded by Doug Smith. The meeting adjourned at 9:43 a.m.

Secretary, Kim Masters

Date Approved