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THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
RUTLAND COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT

BUSINESS MEETING

September 6, 2000

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Brandon	Bruce Rounds	Poultney	
Castleton		Proctor	Charlie Nichols
Clarendon	Bronson Spencer	Rutland City	John Densmore
Danby	George Stone		
Hubbardton			Paul Barbagallo
Ira		Killington	
Mendon		Wallingford	Richard Crowley
Mt. Tabor		Wells	
Pittsford	Joe Gagnon	West Rutland	

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jeffrey Wennberg	District Manager	Deane Wilson	RCSWD
Joyce Segale	District Treasurer		

CALL TO ORDER

Initially there was not a quorum. Discussion followed on the sale of the Reed Screen All and possible revenue sources that will help out with the November bond payment. At 7:48pm Chairman Nichols called the meeting to order. A quorum was present.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION

1. SET AGENDA

Chairman Nichols asked if there were any comments on the agenda. Mr. Wennberg asked that 3 items be added to the agenda. 1) approval to include the tubgrinder with the screen all as part of the bid package, 2) Sale of the sludge tank, and 3) settlement of the landfill lawsuit.

2. MINUTES OF AUGUST 2, 2000

Mr. Spencer moved that the minutes be accepted. Mr. Densmore provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

3. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – JULY 2000

Ms. Segale explained that there hadn't been any transfer of general fund monies to the MRF account for the month. Also, the due to and due from was current. Mr. Crowley moved that the statement be accepted. Mr. Spencer provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

4. RATIFICATION OF BOARD ACTIONS, JUNE 7 AND JULY 5, 2000

Mr. Densmore read the minutes a review followed. Mr. Spensor expressed concern about accepting the boards' action and possible consequences without understanding of what transpired. After discussion it

was moved to accept the boards actions as read by Mr. Densmore. Mr. Crowley so moved. Mr. Rounds provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

5. PENSION AND DEFERRED COMPENSATION POLICY

Ms. Segale explained that the trustee needed to be changed on the Vanguard Fund 457(b) account to reflect current employees. Also the auditors wanted a specific written policy approved concerning pension and deferred compensation plans. Mr. Crowley moved to accept. Mr. Rounds provided the second.

6. SALE OF REED SCREEN ALL

Mr. Wennberg asked for the Boards approval to include the sale of the tubgrinder as part of the bid Package with the reed screen all. There were no objections.

7. SCALE HOUSE REPLACEMENT PROPOSAL

Mr. Wennberg explained the status of Giancola's account and presented an option that would benefit the transfer station. Mr. Giancola will provide a used building and needed equipment to set it up for a new scale shack. The option was on hold until a review of District finances guaranteed that there would be sufficient funds for the November payments.

8. CASTLETON SURCHARGE STATUS

Castleton was current with their obligations and had resumed bringing their recyclables to the MRF.

9. RESULTS OF DISPOSAL REP'S

Mr. Wennberg reviewed the 4 proposals that the District received for trash disposal. 18 proposals were sent out. The bidding companies included Casella, WSI, Seneca Meadows and Serkil. The amounts for Casella and WSI were close and a review of the long term indicated that Casella provided the best results. Also the numbers were helpful in reviewing the option of using the proposed landfill in Hartford, VT.

10. PERSONNEL UPDATE

The District mechanic had been offered better employment elsewhere and there was no plan to replace the position. Mr. Wennberg explained the current staffing and job responsibilities.

11. COMPLIANCE INVESTIGATOR PROGRAM SHORTFALL RECOVERY

Mr. Wennberg explained that \$3400 had been recovered from the other Districts to help offset RCSWD carrying cost of the program.

12. CURT McCORMACK PROPOSAL FOR INCREASED RECYCLING PARTICIPATION

Mr. McCormack had proposed an offer to help develop a commercial recycling education program for a fee of \$10,000. Mr. Wennberg expressed his appreciation but explained that with the current financial condition of the District the offer would be considered when viable.

13. RCSWD TRANSFER STATION STATUS

- CHANGE OF TIRE RECYCLING VENDOR

The District would be utilizing JP Routhier, Acton MA. The previous vendor has not been reliable. There was an increase of \$50 per pull, but the turnaround would be timely.

- OVERALL REVENUES

The revenues for the month were 10% above budget. Expenses were even.

14. STATUS OF AUDIT

Ms. Segale explained that the Auditors had been on site for 12 days thus far. It was anticipated that they had one more day left to tie up loose ends. A presentation should be available for the next meeting.

15. REVIEW OF OPERATIONS - MRF

A security system had been purchased. There have been a number of break-ins at the facility and there was a risk of losing customers if attempts were not made to secure the premises. Two quotes were received, with FLS winning the bid. The system was in place.

The current value of cardboard was dropping fast. It is currently ½ of last month.

16. OTHER BUSINESS

The lawsuit concerning the Thetford landfill has been settled. There has been a release of all interested parties.

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION – STATUS OF MRF OPERATING AGREEMENT DISCUSSIONS

The Board entered into executive session at 8:50 pm. At 9:10 pm the Board reconvened.

Chairman Nichols asked if there were any further questions or concerns. There were none. At 9:20pm Mr. Barbagallo moved that the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Densmore provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Deane Wilson
Clerk