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MINUTES
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
RUTLAND COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT

BUSINESS MEETING
July 2, 2003

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Brandon	<i>Mei Mei Brown</i>	Poultney	
Castleton		Proctor	Charles Nichols
Clarendon	Nancy Buffum	Rutland City	John Densmore
Danby	Edward Bucceri		Bruce Bentley
Hubbardton			
Ira		Killington	
Mendon		Wallingford	Richard Crowley
Mt. Tabor		Wells	
Pittsford		West Rutland	

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jim O'Gorman	District Manager	Joyce Segale	RCSWD
Deane Wilson	RCSWD	Steve Maier	Maier Environmental Services

CALL TO ORDER

At 6:40 p.m. Chairman Bentley called the meeting to order. A quorum was present.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION

1. SET AGENDA

There were no corrections or comments.

2. MINUTES OF JUNE 4, 2003 SUPERVISORS MEETING

Mr. Nichols moved that the minutes be accepted. Ms. Brown provided the second. The vote was unanimous.

3. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, MAY 2003

Mr. O'Gorman distributed a revised balance sheet reflecting a sludge grant in the grants receivable for the revenue. In general, the departments were OK and provided a review of the programs. Mr. Crowley asked if the administrative statement reflected the savings from Mr. Wennberg's salary?

Mr. Nichols moved to accept the May financial statement. Mr. Densmore provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

4. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

No comments were made

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. Illegal Burn Program: discussion with Steve Maier, Maier Environmental Services

Mr. Maier distributed copies of the Addison SWD contract with their sheriff's department and included a copy of the protocol that was expected to be followed. The RCSWD ordinance would have a

substantial difference with the "op-out" option and the exact wording will be addressed. Mr. Maier suggested that the RCSWD contact the Sheriff and schedule a meeting between the Addison and Rutland departments to discuss the program. Mr. Densmore asked if the materials were to be the same for all towns. Mr. Maier suggested the ordinance include what the State worded as illegal to burn. Also that the town of Middlebury choose to enforce their own ordinance and any calls taken by the sheriff for town issues be directed to the town. Mr. Maier also explained that the State may have a law stating that it was illegal to improperly dispose of waste, the actual enforcement and an effective program had to occur at the local level. Ms. Brown stated that this ordinance should be used as an "environmental tool" and that the Addison protocol be incorporated into the Rutland ordinance. Mr. Crowley stated that the ordinance should be presented to the town select boards, as they are the ones that will ultimately be ones to approve the adoption of the ordinance. Mr. Crowley moved that Mr. Maier be responsible for writing a RCSWD ordinance and include the option of "opt-in". Ms. Brown provided the second. The motion passed unanimously. Discussion followed on the option of towns' time frame to use the ordinance.

B. Update on Solid Waste Plan

The town plans and/or letters of acceptance had been received from all the towns except Ira and Mt. Tabor. The State said that since Mt. Tabor didn't have a town plan that wasn't an obstacle. Ira does have a plan, so the District needed to receive a copy and make available to the State the section that addressed Ira Solid Waste issues. Mr. Wilson said that it was scheduled for tomorrow. The next step was for the State to review the plan and provide comments, which would probably be around the end of November.

C. Sale of property to Giancola

Mr. O'Gorman said that the next step was to obtain signatures on the purchase and sales agreement and it would be submitted to Giancolas' lawyer. Mr. Crowley moved that Chairman Bentley sign the appropriate paperwork and have it submitted to Giancola's lawyer. Ms. Brown provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Proposed sale of property to City

Mr. O'Gorman provided a map of the suggested parcel and provided a review of events to date. A description of 2 parcels was provide with the explanation of the properties. Ms. Brown asked about flood plain issues and if they were a concern and that an equitable price had to be determined. Suggestions were offered on any possible favors the District could receive in lieu of payment. One suggestion was the installation of a water and sewer line with an exemption for any future billings. Mr. Densmore asked if it were in the Districts best interest to appraise the property?

E. Casella Contract - brief update

Mr. O'Gorman discussed that he had meet with Jeff Wennberg and Jack Facey regarding the history of contract. One thought was to rewrite the contract and consolidate all the different amendments and resubmit to Casella for review. A concern was the 5-year clause with a 5 year extension. Would like to keep it to a 5-year contract. Mr. Crowley asked if we needed to go out to bid? The thought was the contract was an extension of a previous one and didn't necessarily require it to out to bid.

F. Personnel

Mr. O'Gorman stated that the League had verified what Ms. Segale had previously communicated concerning salary versus hourly qualifications. Mr. Crowley questioned the weight given to independent judgment and suggested that Mr. Wilson may be involved with manual labor it is still a judgment based on his own initiative. It is not a direct order, therefore his time should still be considered salary. It was agreed that Mr. Wilson would keep a hourly log and report office hours versus field time.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. State Solid Waste Management Rules - Proposed changes

Mr. O'Gorman explained that the State was reviewing the State rules and was in the process of changing some of the wording. The District wasn't necessarily affected at this time. The changes targeted mobile operations, landfill closure, and project flexibility on the issues of bulky waste, c&d grinding and landfill liner systems.

B. Other Business

- The HHW operation had a visit from Tom Benoit from the State and everything passed.
- There was a scheduled meeting between Mr. O'Gorman and the town of Castleton planned for July 14th.
- There had been a recent break-in at the transfer station and a compressor had been stolen.
- A review of the safety factors was underway and Ms. Brown recommended contacting the city to see if there were any concerns.
- The Districts two scales had gone down, one because of lighting strike and the main scale at the MRF due to breakage. The transfer station scale had been fixed but the MRF scale was scheduled to be down for a while.
- Ms. Brown asked about the status of the Carrara contract. Mr. O'Gorman said that the League had been asked about the environmental issues but had not yet responded and that the Wilbur's and Mr. Facey had been in contact with.

At 8:25 the Board went into executive session.

At 8:45 the Board came out of executive session.

7. COLLECT BOARD WARRANTS

8. ADJOURN

At 8:45 pm the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Deane Wilson