MINUTES THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RUTLAND COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT **BUSINESS MEETING NOVEMBER 4, 2015**



MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rutland City Bruce Bentley, Robert Barrett, Gary Donahue

Proctor

Brandon

Gabe McGuigan

Mount Holly

Ira

Larry Taggart

Wallingford

Poultney

Danby

Clarendon

Robert Congdon

Killington

Hubbardton

Wells

West Rutland Sean Barrows

Castleton

Pittsford

Mendon

OTHERS PRESENT:

James O'Gorman, District Manager

Joyce Segale, RCSWD

Deane Wilson, RCSWD

John Jozwiak

Chairman Mr. Bentley called meeting to order at 6:33 P.M. with quorum present.

1. SET AGENDA – No changes to agenda.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF OCTOBER 7, 2015

Motion by Mr. Jozwiak with second by Mr. Barrett to accept October 7, 2015 minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

3. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF SEPTEMBER 2015

Mr. O'Gorman read monthly review of September 2015 financials. Actual trash tonnage for month is higher than budgeted. Year to date tonnage is slightly less than previous year. Markets for most recyclables have stayed same. HHW revenues are on target with largest expense being disposal costs. Mr. Jozwiak asked about health insurance rates for next year - Mr. O'Gorman stated he expects increase to be about 5%. Motion by Mr. Barrett to accept September 2015 financial statements with second by Mr. Congdon. Motion passed unanimously.

4. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC - No public in attendance

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. Solid Waste Implementation Plan (SWIP) Survey

Mr. O'Gorman stated it was decided to use Survey Monkey that can tabulate answers. We could provide the link to survey on our website, the Chamber of Commerce site and towns' sites. A link on Front Porch Forums site would cost \$130 per month. Mr. Congdon suggested a postcard mailing with link information. Mr. Bentley stated residents without computers could access site on library computers.

B. E-Waste

Mr. O'Gorman stated there are problems associated with second year of contract. The other districts have decided not to sign the amended contract indicating they will not receive compensation. Also, Good Point Recycling will start charging for non-covered items. Gleason Road and towns of Wallingford, Wells and Danby had contracts to receive money – other towns didn't get money from NCER. State of Vermont says there needs to be 52 sites statewide. If contractor cannot get 52, state will be out to bid contract again. Contractor has 90 days to set up new sites.

Discussion followed about pros and cons of RCSWD signing amended contract. RCSWD was getting \$0.05 per pound and now has been offered \$0.02 per pound. Mr. O'Gorman explained if RCSWD did not sign contract, the contractor would need to find another site in City of Rutland. The law states a site cannot refuse to collect E-Waste. NCER will terminate contract if we don't sign amendment. Consensus was to have RCSWD sign amendment to continue collecting E-Waste at Gleason Road transfer station with Mr. Jozwiak abstaining.

C. 2016 Budget

Mr. O'Gorman stated computer problems have delayed the completion of 2016 budget. He will mail the completed budget out for review. Mr. Bentley asked that he highlight any significant changes. It will be reviewed at December meeting with passage in January 2016.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Stormwater Permit

Mr. O'Gorman passed out copy of blueprint of stormwater system at MRF site. Engineers Sanborn Head did inspection three weeks ago that is required every 3 years and there is a problem. Grass swale indicated on plans does not exist and it is believed that it was never there. Casella Waste has an industrial permit and RCSWD has a general permit Casella passed the inspection while the district did not. Sanborn Head gave the district three options. One is to have engineer say we are not in compliance and seek guidance from ANR. There is no guarantee we will not be fined and there are new EPA regulations due in three years. Option two is to rebuild whole design and create the grass swale. The third option is to have engineers re-evaluate entire site according to 2002 rules – this might mean having in put in another detention basin. Mr. Bentley stated option four is how do we make the current plan compliant with rules. Discussion followed about having a second engineering inspection and opinion. It was decided that Mr. O'Gorman should take the following actions – (1) speak with Sanborn Head engineer again about RCSWD results versus Casella results, (2) speak with City public works commissioner Jeff Wennberg and (3) speak with Joe Gay at Casella. Discussion of possible second inspection will take place after Mr. O'Gorman's follow-up.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION - PERSONNEL MATTERS

Larry Taggart made motion to go into Executive Session at 7:40 p.m. for personnel matters. Mr. Barrett seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Bentley made motion to come out of Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. with second by Mr. Taggart. Motion passed. No action was taken.

8. ADJOURN

Motion by Mr. Taggart with second by Mr. Barrett to adjourn meeting at 7:45 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

The next scheduled meeting is December 2, 2015.

Respectfully submitted

Joyce Segale