

MINUTES  
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
RUTLAND COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT  
BUSINESS MEETING  
October 7, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Brandon		Poultney	
Castleton	Tim Gilbert	Proctor	John Jozwiak
Clarendon	Bob Cogdon	Rutland City	
Danby			Robert Barrett
Hubbardton	Mike Wetmore		Gary Donahue
Ira	Larry Taggart	Killington	
Mendon	Susannah Loffredo	Wallingford	
Mt. Holly	Clint Wooley	West Rutland	
Pittsford			

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jim O’Gorman, RCSWD Manager	Joyce Segale, RCSWD
Deane Wilson, RCSWD	
TJ Sabotka, O’Brien Shortle Reynolds & Sabotka, CPA	
Jack Facey, Kenlan, Schwiebert, Facey & Goss PC	

Mr. Taggart called the meeting to order at 6:36 P.M. with quorum present

1. SET AGENDA

Mr. Taggart asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Mr. O’Gorman stated that he had two items for new business; electronics and textiles.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES SEPTEMBER 2, 2015

Mr. Gilbert moved to accept the minutes. Mr. Jozwiak provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

3. FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUGUST 2015

Mr. O’Gorman presented his managers’ report. For administration, tonnage was up. Recycling commodities were down. Mr. Barrett moved to accept the financials. Mr. Cogdon provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

4. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

No Public in attendance

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. SOLID WASTE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Mr. O’Gorman said that his discussion with the webmaster indicated that placing the survey on the website, tracking and tabulation could be formatted. Using town meetings and transfer station visits, the information would have to be manually entered. Mr. Gilbert asked if a temp worker would be used or if an intern from one of the colleges could be assigned the task? Mr. Cogdon asked what the state had given for time frame. Mr. O’Gorman said that it was 6 months with the possibilities of extension if the District had a plan to distribute the survey at town meeting day. Discussion followed on the format and the length of the survey.

B. CONCRETE QUOTES FOR MRF SCALES

Mr. O’Gorman indicated that the bidding firms had not responded to follow-up discussion so he still didn’t have numbers that were comparable. Mr. McGuigan was putting together a bid format that would be specific and offer the firms similar language to bid on. Discussion followed on time frame and if the District could accomplish the construction in house. Mr. Gilbert moved to wait until spring 2016 to resubmit an RFP for the concrete work. Mr. Jozwiak provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

C. PAVING QUOTES FOR MRF SCALES

Mr. Cogdon moved to postpone the paving project until spring of 2016. Mr. Gilbert provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

D. MACK TRUCK, LOADER & EXCAVATOR

Mr. O’Gorman stated that Casella Construction/Hydraulics had inspected the excavator and submitted a quote for repairs. Mr. Jozwiak indicated that there could be some unknowns, if the main hydraulic pump needed replacing that would be a very expensive piece. Discussion followed on the use and need of the excavator and the expected time frame for repairs. Mr. Cogdon moved that the equipment be moved to Casella Construction for repairs. Mr. Barrett provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

A review of needed repairs on the loader was discussed. Mr. O’Gorman indicated that lights weren’t working, doors didn’t lock, console was loose and fenders needed work. Mr. Wooley moved that the needed repairs be done on the loader and also an engine tune-up be included. Mr. Jozwiak provided a second. Discussion followed on whether a ceiling is placed on the amount of expenses for the repairs. Mr. Gilbert suggested that Mr. O’Gorman make the decision if the repair expensive needed to be presented to the board. The motion passed unanimously to have repairs done on the loader with Mr. O’Gorman monitoring the expense.

E. AUDIT

Mr. Sabotka arrived at 7:20 to address any concerns or questions about the audit. A clean bill of health was offered. Mr. Sabotka indicated that the revenues exceeded the budget and that the controls and analysis that Mr. O’Gorman has implemented were working. Mr. Jozwiak asked if the Board should be aware of anything. Mr. Sabotka indicated no and finished his presentation at 7:33.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. COMPOST ASSOCIATION OF VT

Mr. O’Gorman provided a review of some of the work that CAV was involved in. One event CAV offered was the VT Organics Recycling Summit each spring.

B. NERC/NCER ELECTRONICS PROGRAM

NCER has submitted information for the next year of collection. No monies are being offered this collection year. Discussion followed on contract language and how the organizations administrating the program will be made whole; the collection sites won’t be receiving any funds to offset cost of collections. Mr. O’Gorman explained the opt-out plan that was in place but will no longer be available. Any collection sites must now register with the state plan.

C. TEXTILES

Mr. O’Gorman stated that Planet Aid had pulled their collection containers throughout VT. The textile collection program currently at the Gleason Rd transfer station was operated through SEVCA. A discussion with SEVCA has indicated that their program may be in jeopardy. Currently the value of textiles has dropped so much, the organizations are losing money. Mr. O’Gorman stated that he had discussed an option of paying SEVCA for collecting the material. He will keep the Board informed on the progress.

D. SMITH STREET LIGHTS

Mr. Donahue had discussed with the city the issue of Smith St. lighting. The new Door Drive Bridge construction had included in that budget extra lighting that could be used for rebuilding the lighting infracture for Smith St. Estimated time frame for the work to be undertaken would be two weeks.

E. JOHN JOZWIAK: TS ROAD AND ABC CONCERNS

Mr. Jozwiak and Mr. O’Gorman discussed the status of the transfer station road. The solar field construction project has left some of the road issues unresolved. Discussion followed on the asphalt, brick, concrete program status. Suggestions included grinding on site or moving the material to another permitted site to be processed.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL MATTERS

At 7:35pm Mr. Taggart moved to enter executive session. Mr. Wooley made the motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Pratt. The Board came out of executive session at 8:03. No action was taken.

8. ADJOURN

At 8:04 p.m. Mr. Taggart made the motion to adjourn and Mr. Barrett seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted  
Deane Wilson