



Solid Waste Board

January 31st, 2019

Meeting called by Mary Lou McPhail,
Chairperson

Type of meeting Monthly Meeting

Minutes taken by Carlye Hansen

Members Present: Mary Lou McPhail,
Chairperson; Tim Flynn, Vice-Chairperson

Members Absent: None

Staff: Chas Ariss, Planning and Public Works
Director; Carlye Hansen, Planning Department
Secretary;

AGENDA TOPICS

Call to order

Approval of Minutes

A. November 20th, 2017

Motion was made by Tim Flynn to approve the minute of the November 20th, 2017 minutes; seconded by Mary Lou McPhail. Motion passes 2-0.

Landfill Manager's Report – Chas Ariss, PE, Planning and Public Works Director

Danee was unable to make the meeting today, so Chas Ariss, gave the report.

Everything is going well at this time. There was an inspection done by DEQ last summer. As far as the landfill operation goes, everything was fine, however there was a safety inspection done as well and there were four items identified that we needed to improve and follow-up on. All the issues were resolved within a week and they were small issues with not having certain labeling on some of the vehicles, such as the loader and pick-up, where safety equipment is located, in particular where the fire extinguisher was located, and within the shop, there were to be designated areas with fire extinguishers and they were there, however, were not updated with the annual tag. Otherwise, gold stars from DEQ, for having everything in place. The employees have all had OSHA training and there have been no accidents. We have not taken in any strange or odd materials. We are really going to

push on the recycling efforts and we may try to obtain some of the can crushers from AWARE. The bins were emptied today and they are going to start pulling together all of the revenue that is generated off the recycling and then use that to determine what our costs are as we had to pay to make the bins where the aluminum cans go in, so they charged us for that, but Chas believes we have paid that off. Every 30 days, with the rate that we generate aluminum cans, we will track revenue, and then nonprofit organizations will benefit from the bump cash flow and the county will redistribute the proceeds to those non-profits.

There was one thing out of the ordinary that took place. When the excavation was being done on Tammany Street, they ran into a bunch of soil that was some type of organic contamination and Chas felt that this was an aged diesel product. They took 20 yards of the material to the landfill and laid this out to aerate this and they did some confirmatory samples and basically just by exposing to the atmosphere, it all went away, so they are now just using this material for daily cover.

The plan this year is to sell the excess military that is out there, trailers, and whatnot and then expand the compost operation. This was not a deficiency at all, but was a recommendation by DEQ that we have a runoff trench around the compost pile to prevent any offsite migration of any lychee coming off of the compost pile.

Tim then inquired about the burn piles that the landfill does once a year. He feels that we should contract with a grinder company and grind everything and then sell to the Clark Fork River Cleanup that is going on. He would like to see something done with this to make this useful and be able to have something to give back to the community. He would really like to get outside of the box and look into other options for the compost and as well as the burn pile.

Clean-Up Anaconda will again be held in April.

There also will be some shifting in the car impound area that will affect the landfill a little bit, but not interfere with the day to day activity. The trail along the upper northern border of the landfill had a break-in last summer and thieves stole a large compressor. This was a \$9000.00 compressor. We are going to begin to redo the trail a bit and one of the things they are going to do is put boulders there so you cannot drive in and do that type of thing anymore.

Old Business:

Mr. Flynn wanted to discuss some of his thoughts on the removal of solid waste fees. The policy has always been that if you had the water turned off and signed off by the water department, the gas and electricity turned off and signed off by Northwestern Energy, then they were willing to grant the removal of the solid waste fees, understanding that it always took one full tax cycle and that this doesn't come off immediately and there is no retro.

His issue at this time is that in looking at the four properties that are going before the board this evening for tax adjustments, there were only two properties that were vacant lots void of buildings or debris. There was always a mechanism that the \$72.00 created a way for the folks of ADLC to get rid of their solid waste (tires, in this case, on one of the particular properties), and he asked how many tires are sitting on that lot, which will go to the landfill, hence forth necessitating the solid waste fee for this property. This property is located at 74 Town Pump Road. The same is true for the house at 1105 East Third. When the vacant structure is torn down, there will be an influx of solid waste caused by that demolition and he feels that this feel is what covers the cost for this disposal. He feels that the lots need to be free of debris and exactly that, an empty lot with no structures present.

New Business

A, Election of 2019 Chairperson and 2019 Vice-Chairperson

Motion was made by Tim Flynn to appoint Mary Lou McPhail as the 2019 Chairperson of the Solid Waste Board; this was seconded by Mary Lou McPhail. Motion carried 2-0.

Motion was made by Mary Lou McPhail to appoint Tim Flynn as the 2019 Vice-Chairperson of the Solid Waste Board; this was seconded by Tim Flynn. Motion carried 2-0.

B. Property Adjustment Requests

- Sandra Norbury, 1105 East Third, Anaconda, MT 59711

Motion was made by Tim Flynn to deny the Property Adjustment Request by Sandra Norbury, for her property at 1105 East Third, Anaconda, MT 59711 until her property is cleared of all debris; seconded by Mary Lou McPhail. Motion carried 2-0.

Letter will be sent to Ms. Norbury regarding this.

- Harold McDowell, 74 Town Pump Road, Anaconda, MT 59711

Motion was made by Tim Flynn to deny the Property Adjustment Request by Harold McDowell, for his property at 74 Town Pump Road Anaconda, MT 59711 until the property is cleared of all debris; seconded by Mary Lou McPhail. Motion carried 2-0.

Letter will be sent to Ms. Norbury regarding this.

- James Hanson, 618 East Commercial, Anaconda, MT 59711
Motion was made by Tim Flynn to approve the Property Adjustment Request by James Hanson, for his property at 618 East Commercial, Anaconda, MT 59711 and move this on for approval by the ADLC Commission; seconded by Mary Lou McPhail. Motion carried 2-0.
- Ron Vetter, 1109 East Third, Anacoda, MT 59711
Motion was made by Tim Flynn to approve the Property Adjustment Request by Ronald Vetter, for his property at 1109 East Third, Anaconda, MT 59711 and move this on for approval by the ADLC Commission; seconded by Mary Lou McPhail. Motion carried 2-0.

Miscellaneous/Public Comment

- Matters from the Board
None
- Matters from the Staff

Carlye noted that there will need to be a few changes in handling of agendas, meetings, etc. She states that she is being pushed to be more by the book. In the case of the Solid Waste Board, they are going to have to have a meeting at least quarterly, and they will need to be providing a biannual report to the commission.

Next Meeting Date

TBA

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned

Respectfully Submitted,

Carlye Hansen

Carlye Hansen, Planning Department Secretary

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