

PORT & RESOURCE RECOVERY DEPARTMENT



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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BROWN COUNTY SOLID WASTE BOARD

A regular meeting was held on **Monday August 28th, 2017**
Brown County Resource Recovery Facility, 2561 S. Broadway, Green Bay, WI

1) Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Solid Waste Board Chair John Katers at 2:30 pm.

2) Roll Call:

Present: John Katers, Chair
Mark Vanden Busch, Vice-Chair
Doug Martin
Bud Harris
Ryan Holzem
Norb Dantine
Dave Landwehr
Mike Van Lanen

Unexcused: Bill Seleen

Also Present: Dean Haen, Brown County P&RR
Chad Doverspike, Brown County P&RR
Shelby Schraufnagel, Brown County P&RR

3) Approval/Modification – Meeting Agenda – *Request for Approval*

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Mike Van Lanen and seconded by Ryan Holzem. Unanimously approved.

4) Approval/Modification – Meeting Minutes of July 31st, 2017 - *Request for Approval*

A motion to approve the July 31st, 2017 meeting minutes was made by Norb Dantine and seconded by Dave Landwehr. Unanimously approved.

5) Announcements/Communication

Customer appreciation day was last week. It was well received.

6) South Landfill Farm Manure Pit Abandonment and Building Demolition – *Request for Approval*

Mr. Doverspike explained that the South Landfill farm is being leased to Wiese Brothers who are subleasing it to Reiden Beef. In the top portion of the property there is a building with cattle and a manure pit. Land Conservation does annual inspections of all manure pits and realized the far west end is failing.

A bid was put out to take down the building, a second bid was for taking down the manure pit and the third bid was for taking down the building and abandoning the manure pit. It was substantially less expensive to do these activities separate. The first bid was awarded to Go Green Recycling. The second bid was awarded to Express Excavating. They plan to sell the framing of the building. These activities will begin in the first week of October. Clay from the South Landfill will be used to fill it in.

Mr. Dantine asked if the concrete is gone. Mr. Doverspike stated that they are going to abandon it onsite. It will cost \$28,600 to abandon the manure pit and \$7,8000 to take down the building.

A motion to approve the South Landfill farm manure pit abandonment and building demolition for the first bid to be awarded to Go Green Recycling and the second bid to be awarded to Express Excavating was made by Mike Van Lanen and seconded by Dave Landwehr. Unanimously approved.

The Department is preparing to lease out the farm acres under a new agreement. Mr. Haen stated that Executive Streckenbach agreed to allow future farm rents above the existing lease rate/acre for all acres leased for farming to be retained by the Department for current and future administration costs, property management and repairs and maintenance cost. It is the Resource Recovery Department's responsibility to take care of it.

7) Request for Funding Farmory Acquisition of Oklin Food Composting Machine – *Request for Action*

Mr. Haen reminded the board that the Farmory is a campaign to bring local, sustainable, and indoor agriculture to Green Bay. The Farmory has asked for \$13,000 from the Department. In November 2016 the Solid Waste Board directed James Pandl to answer several questions from the proposal. Mr. Haen stated at the time, the Department was considering taking ownership of 973 Haven Place and there may be synergy consideration. Ownership of the property did not occur. There is no tie to the Farmory activities and the Department. Material collected from the Food Waste Program would not be accepted at the Farmory. Application of the equipment is not applicable to a municipal or Countywide program. The Farmory approached the Department because of the Department's Research and Development funds. These funds have been used by the Department in the past for waste energy and recycling research, etc. The Department has never been a granting agent before and we have do not understand the accounting or reporting requirements to do so. Additionally, approval of the request will set a precedent of granting money going forward.

Mr. Katers met with James Pandl to give him guidance. The process is expensive on a cost to ton basis. Mr. Katers stated that the facility will be a showcase. It will be a good opportunity to create

awareness for the problem with food waste. However, this is not cutting edge technology. What their process does is dehydrate food waste in 24 hours.

Mr. Van Lanen asked how they would prevent contamination. Mr. Katers stated that the material will be generated by the Farmory and there shouldn't be contaminates.

A motion to receive and place on file the request for funding Farmory acquisition of Oklin Food Composting Machine was made by Dave Landwehr and seconded by Mike Van Lanen. Unanimously approved with Mr. Katers abstaining from voting.

8) 2018 Budget

The 2018 budget approved by Solid Waste Board has advanced through the Finance Department and Executive's office without change. The Statement of Funds was presented to the Solid Waste Board. The next step of the budget approval process is approval by PD&T in September and County Board in November.

9) Director's Report

Mr. Haen reminded the board that Andy and Karen Hoffman and the board have had prior action and communications regarding the County purchase of their property adjacent to the landfill. There have been several offers back and forth over the years. The Department used Michael, Best and Friedrich (MBF) for advice on this matter. In a letter, MBF explained the compensation based on a per ton basis and the property value protection plan for adjacent properties. MBF stated that the tipping fee began in 2002 and has increased and decreased by CPI over the years. In regards to the property value protection they stated that it has not begun yet. The protection begins when the landfill opens. A property owner is eligible to pass it on to a new property owner, accept it or defer. The protection is based on the property use in 1999. Any changes or additions to the property do not qualify for protection. Any request for information regarding this matter will result in forwarding the legal opinion.

At the Waste Transfer Station, we are seeking a DNR plan modification to the plan of operation's limit of 825 tons per day. Mr. Haen and Mr. Doverspike met with the Village of Hobart to seek approval to increase the permit with the DNR from 825 tons per day to 1,250 tons per day. The Village of Hobart agreed and Mr. Doverspike sent a letter to the DNR to seeking this increase.

AAA Sanitation won the Leachate Hauling bid. Their fees are increasing by 10%.

The property transaction between Brown County and Country Aire Farms is not ready for this meeting. The attorneys are working out last minute details. The property transaction will be presented at the September meeting in a closed session.

Mr. Doverspike reminded the board that because of the drastic increase in traffic at the Waste Transfer Station several changes are being made. The Highway Department is widening part of the road and laying asphalt. The entrance will split in to two lanes and merge down to one right before the scale.

The east side residential organic drop-off facility will be moved from 1150 Bellevue St. (the old UW-Extension location) to the Village of Allouez's yard waste drop-off site where it can be monitored and locked on a daily basis.

10) Such other Matters as Authorized by Law

No other matters.

11) Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Norb Dantine and seconded by John Katers. Unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 3:09 pm.

John Katers, Chairman
Solid Waste Board

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