

**SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SWAC)  
LOCATION: Yamhill County Courthouse, Room 32  
McMinnville, OR 97128**

**MINUTES – April 18, 2018**

**SWAC members present:** Nicholas Godfrey, Dave Larmouth, Jennifer Noble, Steve Farley, John Arand, Kathy Iler **Absent:** Joe Cook,

**Staff:** Sherrie Mathison, Kimberlee Aldrich, Stephanie Curran, Ken Friday

**Public:** Ramsay McPhillips, Mike Jefferies, Evan Burmester, Dave Huber

**\*\*Audio recorder did not record meeting**

**1. Open Meeting/Roll Call**

John Arand opened the meeting.

**2. Approve Minutes SWAC January 17, 2018**

Steve moved to accept minutes, Kathy seconded. Minutes accepted unanimously.

**3. Hauler Reports/Rate Reviews –**

**Waste Management**-Dave Huber, District Manager for Waste Management; Mike Jeffries, Pricing Director; Ned, Pricing Analyst

**Dave** went over last year's budget and efficiencies for Waste Management; see attached report.

**Dave:** 3 service areas: City of Newberg, City of Dundee and Yamhill County. Efficiencies last year were good, commercial efficiencies approved by 28%.

Volume trend tonnage increased in all services provided. We purchased new equipment which is helping to improve our efficiencies. Transfer station: wet waste going to Coffin Butte (Benton County), dry waste to Hillsboro land fill.

**Mike:** As a result of the efficiencies achieved, we will not be asking for a rate increase this year. In the past we were getting paid for our recycling; now it is costing us to dispose it. We might be back in front of you later asking for a cost

increase. The amount of contamination used to be 5-8 % now is .5 %, China is cracking down on what they will take. They have banned 24 different items since January 2018. The processors have to hire more people, slow down the line to pull contamination. We are now looking at India or the Philippines for this; shipping is more expensive than sending to China.

**Dave:** We started a new service in Newberg, curbside glass pick-up. 70% participation rate w/ subscription service, we have only been doing this for a week. So far it is doing well.

**Sherrie:** Where is the glass ending up? **Dave:** It is transferred to the Hillsboro Landfill and then placed into larger glass containers to the Glass to Glass facility in Portland.

**RWO – Dave Larmouth**, if the recycling market goes away, then we will have to change our methods. We are focusing on education to keep contamination out of the recycling bins. Gave overview of report; see attached report.

**Dave Larmouth:** In part we are adding a transfer station and DEQ changes to stormwater handling. A proposed rate increase of 3.5% was asked- due to Dave Larmouth abstaining from the vote as he is the representative for Recology, SWAC was unable to achieve a quorum necessary to vote on recommendation for the Board of Commissioners meeting. **(This proposal was presented to the County Commissioners and approved by B.O. 15-128 on 4/26/2018)**

#### **4. Rate Review – Mike Jeffries: Riverbend Landfill**

**Mike:** We would like to pursue a CPI gate rate change at Riverbend Landfill from \$35.45 to \$36.40 per ton. **(This proposal was approved by SWAC and was presented to the County Commissioners. It was approved by B.O. 18-129 on 4/26/2018)**

#### **5. Next HHW collection events – Newberg, Saturday May 19, 9am to 1pm**

#### **6. Vice Chair Elections**

Steve nominated Nick, Dave 2<sup>nd</sup>: Three ayes, one opposed, Nick is Vice Chair

#### **7. Ken Friday, Solid Waste Budget Information:**

**Ken:** Kim will continue to monitor landfills, but will no longer be the Solid Waste supervisor. The rest of the budget is the same as last year and I will be

recommending it to the BOC. If anyone wants to propose any changes, you can attend the BOC Budget Committee meeting April 30, 2018.

**Jennifer Noble:** Where does the money go that we don't use? **Ken Friday:** Some goes into Riverbend emergency license reserve, and the rest gets carried over into the contingency fund.

8. Kim Aldridge read DEQ's response to Riverbend Landfill monitoring concerns brought up at last meeting.

**9. Other Business**

**10. Public Comment**

**11. Adjourned at 5:05**

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Jon Arand, Chair

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Sherrie Mathison, Solid Waste Management Analyst

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Stephanie Curran, Permit Technician

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