

WASTE COMMISSION OF SCOTT COUNTY  
COMMISSION MEETING

August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Members Present: Ken Beck (Scott County), Robert Gallagher (Bettendorf), Frank Klipsch (Davenport), Marty O'Boyle (Eldridge), Michael Limberg (Long Grove)

Robert Gallagher called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. at the Scott Area Recycling Center. Gallagher opened the meeting to public comment. Matt Gottchalk from Gottchalk Service Co provided comment on the change from private custodial service to the county providing the staffing. Gottchalk stated he was not aware that changes were occurring until he read it in the North Scott Press and he believed it to be unfair. Gottchalk further explained the services he provided and claimed there were issues but stated the issues were communicated and corrective actions were taken care of immediately. Gottchalk read the statements made by Kathy Morris from the North Scott Press and stated he did not agree with the comments. Brian Seals and Bryce Stalcup reported there were multiple conversations regarding issues at the facilities which aided in the decision to move on. Morris reported the facility needed a higher standard of cleaning and explained the cost comparisons for cleaning services. Discussion followed. Klipsch responded that they have heard his concerns, which were in regards to Scott County now completing the service and the concern that the service was too much for the facilities. Klipsch stated they are entrusted with the responsibilities to look at the cost and expenses and they will continue to do that. No other public comment was voiced.

Chair Klipsch asked for approval of minutes. Beck moved to approve the minutes of the July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 meeting. Limberg seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Chair Klipsch asked for acceptance of Treasurer's Report, Revenue/Expenditure Journal and Summary. Kathy Morris opened it up to answer any questions. Morris reported that currently revenue is at 11% and expenses are at 7% for the year. O'Boyle asked why some of the facilities are low on revenue compared to the budget. Morris responded that market revenue is low but expected to have a steady slow increase. Discussion followed on markets. O'Boyle stated that looking at the report the landfill carries the bulk of the revenue and the expenses are low and overall it appears the operations are in fair shape. Discussion followed. Gallagher moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Beck seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Chair Klipsch asked for approval of invoices and opened it up for questions. Beck asked about the host fee listed on the invoices. Morris reported that the host fee is a fixed annual fee with Buffalo and she reviewed the host community benefit agreement. O'Boyle asked about the public education cost with Quad Cities River Bandits. Morris responded that the education campaign with the River Bandits was to encourage people to continue recycling. Morris said the promotion runs during the entire 2018 season and included a Go All In night at the ballpark. O'Boyle asked about the Scott County IT fee. Morris replied that the fee was for new computer installation and they're changed out every three to five years. O'Boyle moved to approve the invoices. Gallagher seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Morris presented the operations report including facility reports. Morris shared compaction analysis at the landfill determined the staff has been extremely efficient. The constructed landfill space is doing better than expected accredited to staff doing a phenomenal job with the compaction rate. Morris reported there continues to be an increase in construction and demolition material. Morris shared the tons received at the Scott Area Recycling Center continues to grow. Morris explained the commodity prices showing fiber products declining but other commodities trending up or remaining the same.

Morris reported the HHM facility continues to serve more customers and highlighted the current latex paint campaign to educate residents on how to safely dispose of the material. Morris stated the Ewaste facility tonnage is up in July and shared that the reuse program has grown significantly by over \$60,000 this year. Morris shared additional information on the value of the optical system. Morris stated the optical will allow more tonnage to be processed and will add value to Scott County communities. Morris shared ideas on pricing structure changes for commercial material and the evaluation of all options. Morris explained a life cycle cost analysis is being conducted on all Commission facilities including single stream recycling and will have more details to share at an upcoming meeting. Discussion followed. Morris shared the tremendous success of the Quad Cities River Bandits game that celebrated the 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of the Go All In single stream recycling program with about 4,800 people in attendance.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 15, 2018 at 4:30 pm at the Scott Area Recycling Center.

There was no other business or public comment. Limberg moved to adjourn. Beck seconded. Motion carried unanimously.