

WASTE COMMISSION OF SCOTT COUNTY  
COMMISSION MEETING

Scott Area Recycling Center  
5640 Carey Avenue  
Davenport, IA. 52807

June 10, 2019

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

Frank Klipsch called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. at the Scott Area Recycling Center.

Robert Gallagher moved to approve the minutes of April 8, 2019 meeting. Marty O'Boyle seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ken Beck moved to approve the treasurer's report and the revenue/expenditure journal and summary. Gallagher seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Klipsch asked for approval of invoices or questions. Ken Beck requested additional information on public education invoices. Morris shared information on the purchase of reusable and durable tote bags that are printed with recycling education and include a handle at the bottom of the bag for easy tipping at drop off recycling locations. Morris stated intention for a summer intern to provide these bags throughout the summer at drop off locations and events. Morris additionally covered an invoice for a branding campaign that will upgrade the overall Commission image and icons that will furthermore tie into signage on all sites. Morris stated that this process will also target the traffic flow at the Scott Area Recycling Center to assist with the influx in traffic due to growth. Klipsch requested looking into options for residents that live in apartment dwellings to educate on where to recycle. Morris discussed a few options to try and stated further research would be conducted. O'Boyle requested additional information on the temporary labor cost. Morris responded that the recycling facilities second shift utilizes a small amount of temporary labor to cover transitions during a current hiring process. O'Boyle asked about credit card fees. Morris responded that the fees are charged for the customers that utilize credit cards at our facilities. Morris stated that the average fees monthly are around 2.5%. Discussion followed on how to reduce those monthly fees. Beck had a question on ground maintenance at the Scott Area Landfill. Brian Seals, Operations Manager at the Scott Area Landfill responded they purchased a hose reel system that allows for leachate recirculation throughout the landfill. The hose reel prevents the physical dragging of hoses throughout the entire site. O'Boyle requested additional information on DNR fees including the zero interest loan. Morris responded that the majority are solid waste fees that are paid to the State along with a zero interest payment for a SWAP grant. O'Boyle asked about closure rental with Linwood Mining. Morris shared they do pay an active landfill lease fee and a closed site lease fee. Morris reported that they are required to maintain the closed site for 30 years. Discussion followed. O'Boyle inquired about an enterprise rental fee. Morris responded it was for a rental vehicle for seven staff members to tour three recycling facilities and attend a workshop in Minnesota. Beck moved to approve the invoices. O'Boyle seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Morris presented the operations report including facility reports. Morris shared that work is still being conducted on the classification and compensation study and information will be brought forward when complete. Morris shared that Linwood Mining is no longer utilizing the methane gas collected at the landfill but the Commission has received a grant from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources for

\$24,000 with a shared cost of \$8,000 to be utilized for a study on how the methane gas can be utilized. Megan Fox, Communication Coordinator share an Xstream Cleanup commercial that is being aired as a call to action for volunteers to help with Flood Cleanup on June 29<sup>th</sup>. Morris discussed how volunteer hours will be tracked and calculated for FEMA matching dollars and to aid in the flood cleanup. Discussion followed. Morris reported on landfill capacity and shared tonnage had increased from 2017 but not as high as 2018. Morris shared the HHM facility saw low usage in the winter months but is seeing an increase during these spring months. Morris stated the Recycling Center is almost maxed out with capacity and they continue to monitor the recycling markets, which are estimated to improve late summer. Morris shared the Electronics Facility saw an all-time low in customer numbers during the winter months due to cold weather but have quickly trended back up.

Klipsch moved for the Consideration of FY2020 Budget. Klipsch noted that this was reviewed at the prior meeting and opened it up for any additional questions. There were no additional questions. Beck moved to approve the FY2020 Budget as reviewed previously and enclosed in the meeting today. Gallagher seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 12, 2019 at 4:30 pm at the Scott Area Recycling Center. There was no public comment.

Klipsch ask for a motion to enter Closed Session to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or litigation is imminent per Iowa Code, Chapter 21.5 c. Gallagher moved to enter closed session. O'Boyle seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission returned from closed session at 5:34 p.m. Roll call: Frank Klipsch (Davenport), Ken Beck (Scott County), Robert Gallagher (Bettendorf), Marty O'Boyle (Eldridge). Gallagher moved to direct staff as had been discussed in closed session. Beck seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

There was no other business. Gallagher moved to adjourn. O'Boyle seconded. Motion carried unanimously.