

**Hendricks County Solid Waste Management District**

**July 17, 2007**

The Hendricks County Solid Waste Management District met at 4:00 p.m. on July 17, 2007, at the Danville Town Hall.

President Hursel Disney opened the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance. He then turned the meeting over to Vice-President Myron Anderson, since Mr. Disney had undergone eye surgery earlier in the day and his vision remained blurry. Roll call was taken and members in attendance were:

Hursel Disney  
Nancy Johnson  
Phyllis Palmer

Myron Anderson  
William Guarnery

David Whicker  
Beverley Austin

Members not present:

Ed Schrier

Daniel Fivecoat

Others in attendance:

Lenn Detwiler  
Ed Gaddie  
Robert Waggoner

Shirley Duncan  
Cathy Grindstaff  
Jim Davis

Gary Eakin  
Greg Steuerwald  
Linda Fleming

**Approval of Agenda**

Mr. Whicker moved to approve the Agenda as presented. Mrs. Johnson seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved 7-0-0.

**Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Guarnery moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held June 19, 2007 as presented. Mr. Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved 5-0-2. Mr. Disney and Mrs. Palmer abstained as they were not at that meeting.

## **Director's Report**

Mr. Detwiler began his report by mentioning that prior to the meeting each Board member should have received copies of the proposed 2008 Budget and the Budget Overview; both of which were developed with input from the CAC. He noted that in order to avoid holding a special meeting to determine the 2008 Budget, the Board would need to agree upon an overall budget amount to advertise prior to the public hearing to be held during the August meeting. He reminded the Board that the September meeting had been moved up to the 11<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm and would include adoption of the 2008 Budget.

Mr. Disney asked Mr. Detwiler what amount was included in the proposed budget for the Board/CAC Expenses. Mr. Detwiler explained that the budget amount had been reduced from \$12,000 to \$4,000 since he knew of no legislation on the horizon that would allow Board members to be reimbursed for the time they spent at Board meetings. Mr. Disney said that such legislation will be introduced again and he requested the budget amount for the 2008 Budget remain at \$12,000.

Mr. Guarnerly complimented Mr. Detwiler on the Budget Overview and said that he very much appreciated the explanations provided. Mr. Detwiler said that the Budget Overview was a recommendation from the CAC and he hoped it was useful for the Board members.

After some discussion, Mr. Whicker moved to approve the proposed budget as presented. Mr. Guarnerly seconded the motion. Before the motion was voted upon, Mr. Disney moved to amend the budget to show \$12,000 instead of \$4,000 in the

Board/CAC Expenditures line item. After a brief explanation of how the budget is advertised, Mr. Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved 6-1-0.

After some more discussion, Mr. Whicker asked for an explanation of the "Community Clean-Up" line item. Mr. Detwiler explained that his intention is for that line item to cover some of the costs for roadside clean up that were previously borne by the Special Projects Fund. Mrs. Palmer asked if that would include cleaning up individual properties similar to some of the claims that the Special Projects Fund paid previously. Mr. Detwiler stated that those types of clean ups were not what he had intended by including that line item, but that the Board would have the final determination regarding use of those funds.

Mr. Guarnerly asked why the words "more information needed" were included in the Pharmaceuticals & Sharps Collection & Disposal line item description. Mr. Detwiler stated that the CAC requested more information be gathered before any such program began. Mr. Detwiler explained that sharps and pharmaceuticals are often disposed of improperly and that some solid waste districts have programs underway to help collect and properly dispose of those materials.

Mr. Eakin noted that the proposed budget included money to allow for up to a five percent increase in employee salaries and wages. Mr. Whicker asked if the Board, by approving this budget, was also approving the five percent increase. Mr. Disney answered that approving the budget only allowed money to be available for up to a five percent increase, but that the amount of the increase would be determined later. Mr. Anderson called for a vote on advertising the 2008 Budget with expenditures totaling \$726,000. The motion was unanimously approved 7-0-0.

### Discussion Regarding Plastic Bags

Mr. Disney then explained that he believes Ray's Trash Service should accept plastic shopping bags for recycling. Mr. Disney asked if there were any other places that took plastic bags besides Wal-Mart stores. Mr. Detwiler said he did not think so. Mr. Detwiler said that he had previously discussed this with Mr. Davidson from Ray's Trash Service, and the company does not want the recyclables brought to the Recycling Drop-off Centers left in plastic bags because it requires the individuals who sort the materials to have to tear the bags open. Ray's Trash Service prefers that residents take the recyclables out of the bags and take the bags with them. Mr. Disney noted that there must be some kind of market for them if Wal-Mart is handling them. He asked that Mr. Detwiler talk to Mr. Davidson and see what he can come up with. Mr. Detwiler agreed to do so.

### Sheldon B. Green

Mr. Detwiler reminded the Board that at the June meeting up to \$5,000 was approved to develop a Sheldon B. Green outfit. He noted that he did receive three quotes to have the outfit made and selected Olympus Flag and Banner to do the work. He added that the outfit should be completed in time to use at Be Green! Fest 2007 in September.

### Plainfield Yard Waste Recycling Center

Next, Mr. Detwiler reported that he had received a call on July 10<sup>th</sup> from Mr. Fivecoat during which he was informed that the Plainfield Yard Waste Recycling Center would need to be moved from its current location by August 1<sup>st</sup> in order for the Town's trail system to be expanded. Mr. Detwiler explained that the Town of Plainfield is

attempting to work with the Indiana Department of Corrections to develop an arrangement whereby the Yard Waste Recycling Center could be moved to property owned by the Department of Corrections. Under such an arrangement, individuals enrolled in the Plainfield Re-Entry program could learn job skills by operating machinery at the Recycling Center to make the material collected into mulch and compost. He noted that entering into such an arrangement with the Re-Entry Facility would require the purchase of a lot of expensive equipment and that the District would likely be asked to bear that cost.

Mr. Detwiler continued by saying that he has asked that a temporary location be found for the Plainfield Yard Waste Recycling Center, but that the Town has not found another location. He added that currently contractors are beginning to survey, locate utilities, etc. at the current location.

Mr. Disney asked Mr. Gaddie if he knew any more information about the progress the Town has made. Mr. Gaddie said that he believes the Town has a couple of sites they are looking at but that the main focus has been to get the Department of Corrections involved.

After some discussion regarding the future of the Plainfield location and whether or not the District should purchase equipment, the consensus of the Board was that the District should not get involved in an arrangement with the Department of Corrections. Mr. Detwiler was directed to ask to be added to the agenda for the Plainfield Town Council meeting scheduled for July 23<sup>rd</sup> to inform the Council that the District is not interested in locating the Yard Waste Recycling Center at the Re-Entry Facility and to determine the Town's intentions for the future of the Center.

### Hendricks County 4H Fair

Lastly, Mr. Detwiler mentioned that the District will have a display at the Hendricks County 4-H Fair from July 22<sup>nd</sup> through July 28<sup>th</sup> and invited all to stop by.

### **Financial Report**

In Mrs. Haines absence, Mr. Detwiler presented the Financial Report. He pointed out that two CD's had matured at the State Bank of Lizton and Monroe Bank. The majority of those funds were reinvested. Some money was held out in anticipation of upcoming grants awards, clean outs of the yard waste recycling centers, the establishment of the Rainy Day Fund and future Tox-Away Days. He pointed out that the tipping fees income was down considerably in June as compared to the same month the previous two years.

Mr. Whicker moved to approve the Claims Paid to date in the amount of \$56,100.27 as presented. Mrs. Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved 7-0-0.

Mr. Whicker then moved to approve the Claims to be Paid in the amount of \$20,988.90 as presented. Mr. Guarnerly seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved 7-0-0.

Mrs. Palmer moved to approve the Claim Paid from the Hendricks County Special Projects Fund in the amount of \$23,100.00 as approved at the last meeting. Mrs. Johnson seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved 7-0-0.

### **CAC Report**

Mr. Eakin began his report by mentioning that the CAC met twice since the June meeting. He noted that the committee met with Mr. Detwiler to review the 2008 Budget

and that the bulk of the conversation during that meeting revolved around the possibility of beginning a pharmaceuticals and sharps collection and disposal program. Mr. Eakin added that the CAC met prior to the Board meeting and discussed the grant program. He explained that the committee is considering eligibility requirements, grant limits and the evaluation process. Another CAC meeting has been scheduled prior to the August Board meeting. Mr. Eakin also explained that a grant subcommittee had been established consisting of Ms. Grindstaff, Mr. Davis, Mr. Parker and Mr. Detwiler. That group will also be meeting prior to the August CAC meeting.

Mr. Anderson asked Mr. Eakin if the District would be ready for a first grant award next spring. Mr. Eakin answered that he thought so; but that if a program was ready by August or September that the first grant round could occur yet this year.

#### Discussion

Mr. Anderson asked Mr. Detwiler if the 2008 Budget needed to include a line item for the Rainy Day Fund. Mr. Detwiler answered that Mrs. Haines researched that question and discovered that it would not need to be included as a line item in the District's budgets.

#### Announcements/Adjournment

Mr. Anderson announced that the next Tox-Away Day will be held at Avon High School on August 18<sup>th</sup> and that the next Board meeting will be held August 21<sup>st</sup> and will include the public hearing regarding the 2008 Budget.

There being no further business, Mr. Guarnerly moved to adjourn at 5:05 p.m. Mrs. Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved 7-0-0.

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Hursel C. Disney, President

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Myron C. Anderson, Vice President

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David A. Whicker, Treasurer

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