



Region 2000 Services Authority

Location

Haberer Bldg.
47 Courthouse Lane
Rustburg, VA 24588

Date | Time

December 18, 2019
2:00 p.m.

Minutes

Board Members Present

Susan Adams.....Appomattox County
Steve Carter Nelson County
Frank Rogers..... Campbell County
Bonnie Svrcek.....City of Lynchburg

1. Welcome

Bonnie Svrcek, Chair, welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

She also recognized Emmie Boley and Susan Cook, who will be retiring from the Planning District Commission, for their work and support of the Services Authority.

2. Public Comment

Mr. Don Barnette noted that:

- Odors had increased in the last seven days
- Noise levels have increased
- The Authority should be cautious about accepting industrial dust if it will become bothersome to the residents around the landfill due to air circulation
- The Authority should take measures not to increase noise or smells

Mr. Jon Hardie commented:

- Odor concerns, especially from garbage and surface odors have increased over the last couple of months
- Noise issues before and at 7 a.m. when the landfill opens
- Noise issues on Saturday mornings, especially large crashing sounds
- The Authority has installed only light noise barriers and need to be installed to the edge of the property

- Requested that he, as a sitting member of the Campbell Board of Supervisors representing the district where the landfill is located, should be allowed to sit in on the closed session.

Chair Svrcek replied that the Authority would consider his request to sit in on the closed session at the end of the meeting.

3. Approval of September 25, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Upon a motion by Ms. Adams, seconded by Mr. Carter, the Authority approved the minutes of September 25, 2019 with Chair Svrcek abstaining.

4. Financial Update

a) Audit Report

Matt McLearn of the Authority's auditing firm Robinson, Farmer, Cox, PLLC, presented the FY 2019 audit. The audit has an unmodified opinion and Mr. McLearn went through several tables with the Authority. Upon a motion by Mr. Carter, seconded by Ms. Adams, the audit was accepted unanimously.

b) Year to Date Financials

PDC Deputy Director of Finance Rosalie Majerus presented the year to date financial report through October 31, 2019 with no unusual expenditures or revenues. She reported that the revenues/expenditures were tracking according to budget.

5. Request from Bays Trash Disposal/Wheelabrator

Solid Waste Director Clarke Gibson informed the Authority that Wheelabrator of Bedford has inquired as to whether the Authority would take industrial dust and slag. The material fills in voids and doesn't need compaction when mixed with the solid waste. The material is much like the material we were receiving from Griffin Pipe. The dust will settle between our municipal waste without taking up much space on its own. The slag can be used to maintain our roads and reduce our stone purchase costs.

Mr. Gibson estimated 1 or 2 trucks per month, and that the dust would be mixed in with the trash. He recommended a 10% discount on commercial rate for the dust, no charge for the slag and a five year contract. He estimated that this would generate \$90,575 for the operating fund plus the likely savings from reduced stone purchases and \$14,950 for the Excess Revenue fund if we received 2,500 tons of the dust annually. Mr. Rogers suggested we consider a three year contract. The Authority agreed that both parties should have an early termination clause with an appropriate amount of notice.

Mr. Gibson noted that the slag would be stored on site and used pretty quickly upon receipt. The Authority would not need a special permit from DEQ for us to handle the slag or dust.

The Authority asked to table consideration of the request and asked Mr. Gibson to determine the moisture content of the dust.

6. Director's Report

- Livestock Road Gas Collection System – three proposals are expected in response to the RFP for beneficial uses for the gas being collected at the Livestock Road landfill
- 356 people were served by the Hazardous Household Waste collection day in October
- A Safety meeting with our larger commercial haulers was held with representation from six companies. Over two hours a number of topics were discussed including
 - o Fill face safety
 - o Road and infrastructure conditions
 - o Wheel wash
 - o Stop light with buzzer on the fill face
 - o Cell phone use by drivers

Mr. Gibson discussed a weekly tailgate meeting with employees related to safety, monthly team meetings to discuss safety and annual customer appreciation events, this year involving managers and safety coordinators of the hauling companies. Chair Svrcek noted that safety information and meetings were important and Mr. Gibson noted that the solid waste disposal industry was the 5th most dangerous occupation area.

- Odor Update:
Mr. Gibson explained that when an odor complaint comes in, if it's on a weekday staff will respond with a site visit. Often times that odor will have been reduced or dissipated. Usually the odors are not long lasting. Our gas collection system, vapor distribution system and flair run 24/7. Our employees always cover the fill face daily, during the week with posi-shell and over the weekend with six (6) inches of soil.
- Solid Waste Management Plan update is underway and will be brought to the Authority in March for consideration.

7. Meeting Schedule and Location

The Authority agreed to the following meeting dates in 2020 with the January 22 meeting to be held in Rustburg.

- January 22
- March 25
- May 20
- August 26
- December 2

8. Closed Session

Consideration of Mr. Hardie attending the Closed Session

After discussion a motion to allow Mr. Hardie to attend the closed session was defeated 1-3 with Mr. Rogers voting in favor.

Steve Carter made the motion to go into closed session pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(a) (7) of the Code of Virginia for consultation with legal counsel pertaining to probable litigation regarding the Authority's gas extraction system at the Concord Turnpike landfill in

Lynchburg where such consultation in an open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating and litigation posture, and pursuant to section 2.2.3711(a)(1) of the Code of Virginia for consideration of salary increases for two salaried employees. The motion was seconded by Bonnie Svrcek and unanimously approved.

The motion was made by Bonnie Svrcek to return to open session pursuant to Section 2.2-3712.D and certify that only those business matters lawfully identified in the motion to go into closed session and exempt from the open meeting requirements of the Freedom of Information Act were heard, discussed or considered in a closed session. The motion was seconded by Steve Carter. Roll call vote was as follows:

Susan Adams – Aye
Steve Carter – Aye
Frank Rogers – Aye
Bonnie Svrcek – Aye

The motion carried.

The motion was made by Steve Carter that the Board vote not to accept the average appraisal for the gas collection system at the Concord Turnpike Landfill and to authorize the Authority's counsel to notify Land Gas of Virginia of that decision, and the motion was seconded by Bonnie Svrcek. The roll call vote was:

Susan Adams – Aye
Steve Carter – Aye
Frank Rogers – Aye
Bonnie Svrcek - Aye

The motion carried.

9. Adjourn – There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:15 pm

The next meeting will be on January 22, in the Haberer Building, at 2:00 pm.

Approved

Date