

Region 2000 Services Authority

Location Regional Landfill Office Bldg. 361 Livestock Road Rustburg, VA 24588

> **Date | Time** January 22, 2020 2:00 p.m.

Minutes

Board Members Present

Susan Adams	
Frank Rogers	
0	City of Lynchburg

1. Welcome

Frank Rogers, Vice Chair, welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

2. Public Comment

Ms. Judy Doering commented:

- The Authority should have permitted Mr. Jon Hardie to attend the closed session meeting as the leader of the citizen's committee
- The Wheelabrator Request will create dust and cause additional pollution for residents
- Requested the Authority to add a second public comment period during meetings after all other general agenda items so that residents have additional opportunities to provide input

3. Approval of December 18, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Upon a motion by Mr. Carter, seconded by Ms. Adams, the Authority approved the December 18, 2019 minutes.

4. Financial Update

Rosalie Majerus reported that revenue is slightly ahead of projections, and expenses are currently slightly better than planned. There were no major issues reported and all financials are tracking well.

5. 2020-2021 Proposed Budget Presentation

Solid Waste Director Clarke Gibson reported that tonnage projections for FY 2021 are not increasing.

Revenue and expenses will be remaining the same as FY 2020. Member and market rate disposal costs will also remain the same.

Mr. Gibson requested the consideration of a 3% merit-based salary increase for employees, as this will help with maintaining employee retention. Health insurance costs have been estimated, but will be updated when final numbers are received in March.

Mr. Gibson reviewed the Capital Equipment Fund schedule 7, noting a slight increase to prepare for equipment purchases that will be necessary in the coming years.

Tipping fees are on an incremental increase schedule through FY 2031.

The pro forma budget, provided by Burns & McDonnell, was reviewed by Mr. Gibson to the Authority.

Frank Rogers recommended deferring approval of the proposed budget until May to chart tonnage as long as possible.

6. Wheelabrator Waste Disposal Request

Mr. Gibson reported Wheelabrator Technologies in Bedford is looking for a service to dispose of the company's slag and high density dust. Laboratory analysis on the materials are acceptable for a Subtitle D landfill, and the waste is not considered hazardous. Dust would be a factor to remain mindful of if the Authority chooses to proceed, and if necessary, dust measures could also be added. There are currently other acceptable materials received that contain dust, but no dust complaint has ever been received from the public.

Mr. Rogers asked about language within the potential contract, and Bill Hefty affirmed that a clause could be added to allow for contract termination provisions.

Ms. Adams asked for clarity on the space needed for the materials, and Mr. Gibson explained that it will fill in voids already present in the landfill and will take up very little space.

A motion was made by Mr. Carter, seconded by Ms. Hart, to authorize the Executive Director to approach Wheelabrator Technologies with a contract regarding disposal service with appropriate protections included in the document.

The vote was: Susan Adams: Nay Steve Carter: Aye Gaynelle Hart: Aye Frank Rogers: Nay

The motion failed.

7. Review of proposals for use of Livestock Road landfill gas

Mr. Gibson reported that an RFP was issued in the fall regarding landfill use of beneficial gas at the Livestock Road facility. Two proposals from two companies were received. The first proposal is from a company using the gas to power generators and electricity at their facilities. The second proposal involved processing the gas on site, and tanking it to another facility offsite.

There will be an interview with each company in the next month, and staff intends to come back with a recommendation at the next board meeting. The potential revenue could be \$100,000-\$200,000 annually.

Mr. Carter asked about a projected timeline, and Mr. Gibson reported that it could likely begin before the end of the year.

8. Director's Report

a) Odor Update: Mr. Gibson reported that odor complaints have remained consistent since the last board meeting, with an average month including 4-5 complaints. In December, there were 10 complaints, in January there were 0 complaints at the time of the board meeting.

b) Tonnage Chart: Tonnage remains on track from where it was in the last year, and is on budget.

c) Update to the Solid Waste Management Plan: An updated Solid Waste Management Plan is required every five years and is currently in progress. This plan does require a public hearing, and will be updated by the next board meeting.

d) Hazardous Household Waste Collection Schedule: The remaining dates for this year are April 11, June 13, and October 10.

9. Other Business

A motion was made by Mr. Carter, seconded by Ms. Adams, to have the March Services Authority Meeting at the PDC office in Lynchburg. The vote was:

Susan Adams – Aye Steve Carter – Aye Gaynell Hart – Aye Frank Rogers – Nay

The motion carried.

10. Adjourn – There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:48 p.m.

The next meeting will be on March 25, 2020, at the Central Virginia Planning District Commission Office.