

**BEAVERHEAD COUNTY  
SOLID WASTE BOARD MEETING  
MONDAY, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
COMMISSIONER'S ROOM - COURTHOUSE 1:30 P.M.**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairman Pete Brown, Vice Chairman Leaf Magnuson, Commissioner John Jackson Landfill Manager Larry Laknar, Tom Wagenknecht, Diane Havig, and Scott Marsh

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Commissioners Mike McGinely and Tom Rice.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Secretary Sadie Caltrider and Mike Billet from Western States CAT.

**OPENING:** Chairman Pete Brown called the meeting to order at 1:30 P.M.

**ACTION ON MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2016 BOARD MEETING:**

Prior to this meeting the Board members were sent a copy of the December 19th, meeting.

MOTION: Leaf Magnuson moved to approve the September 26<sup>th</sup> minutes and was seconded by Pete Brown. A verbal vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

**SOLID WASTE TAX REMOVAL REQUESTS:**

**Marilyn Jo Webster:** Ms. Webster requested the removal of the solid waste tax from her property at 30 Sullivan Lane. In her letter she states that it is a double wide trailer that has not been lived in for approximately 4 years and she believes it to be uninhabitable. It was discussed that Landfill Manager Larry Laknar would like to drive out and check on this property prior to having a vote. There was also discussion, as per a decision made in the December meeting that once the tax is removed it becomes very difficult to keep track of that property and reinstate the tax if it is ever used residentially in the future.

MOTION: Pete motioned to table this discussion until the next solid waste meeting in June and was seconded by Leaf. A verbal vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

**RECYCLING UPDATE:** Leaf discussed the upcoming Earth Day events and provided all present with posters for the celebration. She asked that each member hang up a poster somewhere in town. She stated that she'll be speaking with people at the gathering about what they would like to see for the future of recycling in Dillon, she anticipates that people will want to see plastic recycling return to our community. She will bring the information she gathers from the celebration to the next solid waste meeting. Leaf also advised that she's looked into a company in Oregon that recycles Styrofoam. For it to be feasible to Dillon we would need to write a grant for a compressor. This is also something she'll be discussing with individuals attending the Earth Day celebration.

**MANAGER'S UPDATE:**

Larry went over the new E-waste plan which was adopted in January. The E-waste will now be taken to Butte to Pacific Steel. They'll be picking up our E-Waste whenever we call, and we will have to continue to palletize it as we have been doing. Pacific will pay us \$.05 per pound for E-Waste except for CRTs. We will be putting CRTs back into the landfill because of cost; Pacific wants to charge \$1.50 per pound to take them.

Larry also went over what he had compiled for a 2016 year-end summary.

Larry gave an update of the canister site construction. The 4 walls are up, but still needed is the finish cement work, road, gravel, and fencing. He believes construction will resume on April 1<sup>st</sup>.

Larry also provided reports from Damschen for the quarterly Methane monitoring as well as the annual engineering inspection.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

No old business to discuss.

**OPENING LOADER BIDS:** It was decided after some discussion that the only bid submitted would be opened at this meeting. There was a mistake on the bid invitation that stated the closing was "Wednesday March, 20<sup>th</sup>" rather than Monday. It was noted that there had been an opinion made by the County Attorney that there is only one March 20<sup>th</sup>, but there is a Wednesday every week, that it shouldn't be a problem to open them today. The bid,

from Western States CAT in Missoula came in at \$203,972.00 and offered a \$28,000 trade-in on our current 938. After some discussion and a recommendation by Larry that he'd like to keep the old one as a back-up the board decided to reject the trade-in offer and keep the old loader. The bid also stated that the new loader would be delivered within 16 weeks of bid award.

MOTION: Leaf motioned to accept the bid for the new loader without trading in the loader currently owned by Beaverhead County, Diane Havig seconded the motion. A verbal vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Scott Marsh and Tom Wagenknecht presented some figures of what it would cost to put up some cameras to monitor the various canister sites around the county to help deter illegal dumping. There was a lot of discussion about the feasibility of the cameras and whether or not they were worth the cost to install them. The members agreed through discussion that it would be best to put the topic of the cameras on the next meeting agenda.

Larry noted that he will have to hire a couple of people temporarily to do some picking up around the dump. He stated that in previous years they've had the UMW football team come and pick for a day in exchange for a donation of approximately \$4,000.00 to their foundation. This will most likely occur again, but they will probably need more picking than that.

**NEXT MEETING:** It was agreed that the next regular meeting should be held June 19th, 2017. The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Pete Brown at 3:00.

Submitted,

Approved,

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Secretary

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Chairman