

**MINUTES OF THE DECATUR COUNTY
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD**

Tuesday, April 28, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting of the Decatur County Solid Waste Management District Board was called to order by Chairman Terry Wagner on Tuesday, April 28, 2015 at 6:00P.M. at the Decatur County Solid Waste Office at 315 S Ireland St, Greensburg, IN 47240

MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioner Jerome Buening, Mayor Gary Herbert, City Councilman Terry Wagner, County Councilman Kenny Hooten, Commissioner Rick Nobbe, City of Westport Darlene Tobias

MEMBERS ABSENT: Commissioner John Richards

OTHERS PRESENT: Ron May Aecon Engineering, Dean Ferrier with Rumpke, Representatives from T&T Tire Removal, Mark Fixmer with Best Way, and District Director Brittani Saunders

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by Jerome Buening to approve minutes of March 2015 meeting. Seconded by Kenny Hooten.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Motion was made by Rick Nobbe to approve April 2015 claims. Mayor Herbert seconded the motion.

TOX-A-WAY DAY 2015 AWARD: Terry Wagner/ Ron May

Award for HHW was awarded last meeting to NuGenesis. Before tire proposals were awarded, representatives from T&T Tire Removal explained that they are land filling approximately 15% of their tires because they are unusable as recycled content. However, the other 85% is supplying people with jobs, going in to make mulch, sold to dairy farmers to cover their silage, and also education supplies. Rumpke had no comment other than to express that they recycle all of their tires as drainage layers in their landfills in Ohio. Mayor Herbert made a motion to accept Rumpke tire removal proposal of \$147.50 per ton with a \$3000.00 mobilization fee due to their 100% recycling rate by shredding the tires and putting them in as a base layer instead of rock. He explained this also keeps tires out of the landfill in Decatur County since tires can be land filled as long as they are quartered. No other members seconded the motion, so motion died. Rick Nobbe made a motion to accept T&T Tire Removals proposal of \$135.00/ton with mobilization of \$3450.00 due in part to their price being slightly cheaper, and also asking that they put a greater weight to trying to recycle 100% of all tires for future proposals. Kenny Hooten seconded the motion to accept T & Tire Removals proposal. Jerome Buening also commented that for next year we put a greater weight to 100% recycle in our bidding process since the board feels very strongly about recycling as much as possible.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Brittani Saunders

During our electronic and shredding recycle event on April 18th we collected 3.67 tons of electronics and 1.975 tons of paper for shredding. Rick Nobbe also brought up the county/city shredding and electronic recycling scheduled for June 10th from 9-1 for both city and county offices. Brittani asked the board if they would like to pay for this event. The cost would be \$125.00 per hour for onsite shredding from All Shred Document Solutions, and \$150.00 for electronic recycling from Shares Inc. Rick Nobbe moved to have the solid waste district pay for this event, and Jerome Buening seconded the motion.

EDUCATION REPORT: Brittani Saunders

Brittani spoke briefly about the Caps to Benches program at Greensburg Elementary. At this time we believe we have collected approximately 800 pounds of caps which would be enough for 2 benches at the elementary school. Linda Kramer and Brittani will start weighing these and a dedication day will take place at the start of next school year. Many other schools are excited to also start the process. Brittani was happy to report that we met our 51% recycling participation rate again for March. Our Solid Waste CAC board also chose the winners of the 2015 scholarship. Brittani will be sending a copy to everyone at a later date.

OLD BUSINESS: Brittani Saunders

Nothing at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

Brittani explained to the board that since purchasing her new vehicle last May she has put about 30,000 miles on it. This includes personal time but a lot of the use was from travel with the job. Many weeks she explained that she is traveling to the schools, delivering recycle bins, picking up some items that get left at the recycle spots, driving approximately 270 miles one day a month for an important solid waste meeting in Montgomery, IN, and just recently has been traveling to downtown Indianapolis more frequently since being on the advisory board for the Association of Indiana Solid Waste Mgt. Districts. Travel and hauling has become a major part of the position and she feels it may be time for a company vehicle. The board agreed that it is time to purchase and Brittani explained that it would be easier to wait until the first of next year so that she can add appropriations into our budget for gas, maintenance, and cost of vehicle.

Brittani and Mark Fixmer of Best Way have been working on a solution for the Westport and St.Paul recycle/trash spots. Currently the solid waste district is paying for the removal of the recycle bins and Best Way is supplying an employee who mans the sights, trash service, as well as taking care of any leasing of ground. Both of these sites have significantly dropped in tonnage and it is not financially responsible for Best Way to keep these open as many hours due to the loss of money. New hours that will begin May 20th are Wednesday and Saturday from 7:30 am- 12 pm at Westport and Wednesday and Saturday from 1pm-5pm at St. Paul.

CAC REPORT: The CAC is still on the search for sites. The board brought up that there may be a piece of ground by Printpack that may be available for lease or sale and to see who owns the area. Brittani will work on finding out that information.

OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT: N/A

ADJOURN: Motion was made by Mayor Herbert to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Kenny Hooten.

Terry Wagner, Chairman

Brittani Saunders, Attest