

Cedar Rapids Linn County Solid Waste Agency

Regular Meeting, May 17, 2022, 1:30 p.m.
Cedar Rapids Linn County Solid Waste Agency
1954 County Home Road
Marion, IA, 52302

PRESENT: Craig Adamson, Mike Duffy, Sandi Fowler, Roy Hesemann, Scott Olson, Tyler Olson

ABSENT: Tiffany O'Donnell, Louis Zumbach

STAFF: Karmin McShane, Joe Horaney, Zac Hornung, Celia Van Alst, Garrett Prestegard

OTHERS: Morgan Mays – HDR, Kate Bartelt – HDR, Megan Seymour – HDR, Richard Wilson – HDR, Katie Kinley – HDR

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Vice Chair S. Olson. Duffy moved to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2022, board meeting. Fowler seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Input: None.

Public Hearing on the FY-22 Budget Amendment: Hesemann moved to open public hearing on FY22 budget amendment opened at 1:31 p.m. Duffy seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Van Alst noted no public comments were received about the FY22 budget amendment. No other comments. Hesemann moved to close public hearing. Duffy seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Public hearing closed at 1:32 p.m. S. Olson asked for recommendation to approve the FY22 budget amendment. Hesemann moved to approve the FY22 budget amendment. T. Olson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Director's Report: McShane discussed future use of the Agency farm buffer ground west of Indian Creek on County Home Road. Provided history of the property, current uses, and potential uses. Adamson moved to authorize staff to seek appraisal of Lot 2, Batson's First Addition to Linn County and SE ¼ NE ¼ Section 17-84-6, Linn County, Iowa. Rogers seconded. Discussion about Linn County land appraisal of nearby property ensued. Motion carried unanimously.

EMS Report: Horaney informed board about a future grant from the Iowa DNR via the Environmental Management System program for a cardboard baler at Site 2. The equipment will increase the amount of material being shipped, improving greenhouse gas emissions and recycling efficiencies.

Bartelt with HDR gave Forward 2044 presentation, reviewing outreach, recent public meeting, board workshop in June, and next steps in the process. Mays presented a high-level preliminary landfill location assessment that overlaid existing Linn County CSR65 ordinance and added landfill permitting criteria to Linn County maps. Mays concluded there are no viable 320-acre parcels in Linn County and likely no suitable 100 acres landfill parcels in Linn County assuming existing ordinances, regulations, and other siting criteria. Board discussion ensued, to be continued at June board workshop.

Engineer's Report: Prestegard discussed Phase 5A Liner and Partial Closure - Change Order 04 with Veit & Company, Inc. to complete the Phase 2 Liner Damage Repair, noting the process is underway and the timeline.

Prestegard addressed need to remove more than 1100 derecho-damaged trees at Site 1, which will require bid letting and a public hearing. T. Olson moved to authorize the bid letting and set a public hearing on plans and specifications for the June 21, 2022 board meeting. Rogers seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Prestegard reviewed Site 1 asbestos abatement and disposal project, covering quotes received. Staff recommends awarding the work to Active Thermal Concepts. T. Olson moved to award work to Active Thermal Concepts, Inc. in the amount of \$39,225. Rogers seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Prestegard reviewed annual services agreement with O.A. Technical services, covering the work performed for the Agency. Staff recommends continuing services. Rogers moved to authorize the FY23 annual services agreement with O.A. Technical Services in an amount not to exceed \$148,000. Adamson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Seymour with HDR gave Site 2 groundwater annual update. She summarized semiannual detection monitoring and reviewed implemented corrective actions.

Finance Report: Van Alst asked the board to approve the May 2022 accounts payables in the amount of \$427,418.79. Rogers moved to approve the May 2022 accounts payables in the amount of \$427,418.79. Hesemann seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Board Member Reports: Fowler encouraged participation in the City of Cedar Rapids Sustainable Economy & Transportation Conference. The two-day event will cover green jobs and green transportation.

Public Input: Email and phone correspondence with James Koenighain of Cedar Rapids and a Metro Veterans Council member. He inquired about placing a flag at the top of Mount Trashmore. Staff followed up with Koenighain, letting him know about the site's regulated status, timeline for post-closure monitoring, and the board's consideration of the idea presented from other veterans' groups. Koenighain appreciated being heard and that the board is aware of the interest in the idea.

Due to lack of further business, meeting adjourned at 2:51 p.m.