

Cedar Rapids Linn County Solid Waste Agency

Regular Meeting, October 18, 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 (via Zoom), Roy Hesemann (via Zoom), Tiffany O'Donnell (via Zoom), Ben Rogers (via Zoom), Scott Olson

ABSENT: Tyler Olson, Louis Zumbach

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

OTHERS: Morgan Mays – HDR (via Zoom), Kate Bartelt – HDR (via Zoom)

The meeting was called to order at 1:31 p.m. by Vice Chair S. Olson. Rogers moved to approve the minutes of the September 20, 2022, board meeting. O'Donnell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Input: None.

Public Hearing on Plans & Specifications Site 2 Scale Improvements Project: Duffy moved to open public hearing. Adamson seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Public hearing opened at 1:33 p.m. Prestegard viewed scope of project; briefing paper included in board packet. No public comment given; none received via phone or email. Discussed scale wear and tear due to derecho and scale life cycle. Hesemann moved to close public hearing. Rogers seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Public hearing closed at 1:36 p.m.

Director's Report: McShane discussed opportunity for pilot project with Willis Dady to recycle and divert mattresses. Noted the difficulties with landfilling mattresses and air space benefits. Recommended board authorize funding for the pilot project. Adamson moved to authorize Agency to fund processing costs for a pilot mattress diversion project at the Willis Dady Works in an amount not to exceed \$10,000. O'Donnell seconded. Discussion about mattresses taken to landfill, processing location, and landfill volume impact ensued. Motion carried unanimously. McShane provided update about incineration situation facing hazardous materials processing. McShane working on committee for of State of Iowa Chapter 105 rules revision for compost facilities regulations. Discussed annual Composting Council conference coming up in January 2023, and sponsorship by Iowa Composting Council.

EMS Report: Horaney informed board about free compost month at Site 3. More than 3,140 tons distributed in first seventeen days of October. Forward 2044 discussion at the 2022 Iowa Recycling & Solid Waste Management Conference earlier in October. Statewide waste characterization study results will be available soon, which could spur more interest in regional organics diversion. Also discussed the Agency's upcoming EMS internal audit.

Finance Report: Van Alst reviewed October payables, noting large expenses and asked the board to approve the October 2022 accounts payables in the amount of \$634,772.77. O'Donnell moved to approve the October 2022 accounts payables in the amount of \$634,772.77. Hesemann seconded. Discussion about equipment maintenance protocols ensued. Motion carried unanimously.

Board Member Reports: Hesemann discussed awarding contract for anaerobic processing, noting other ongoing projects at WPC. Fowler reported on Cedar Rapids hosting more than 400 people for the Youth Sustainability Conference and the City's new Sustainability Coordinator. Adamson provided information

about Honor A Veteran program.

Public Input: None.

Due to lack of further business, meeting adjourned at 2:08 p.m.