

***Cedar Rapids Linn County Solid Waste Agency***

Regular Meeting, February 25, 2020, 1:30 p.m.  
Cedar Rapids Linn County Solid Waste Agency  
Environmental Education Center  
1954 County Home Road  
Marion, IA, 52302

**PRESENT:** Craig Adamson, Mike Duffy, Brad Hart, Steve Hershner, Brent Oleson, Scott Olson, Tyler Olson, Greg Smith

**ABSENT:** Ben Rogers

**STAFF:** Karmin McShane, Joe Horaney, Garrett Prestegard, Zac Hornung, Shawn Obert, Sam Eckes, Tim Lukan, Brad Godwin, Celia Van Alst, Jason Evans, Ranae McGovern

**OTHERS:** Chris Koerperich - RSM US LLP, Morgan Mays – HDR, Don McKendry – HDR, Grace King – Gazette

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Chair Olson. Oleson moved to approve the minutes of the January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020, regular meeting. Hershner seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

***Public Input:*** None.

***Finance Report:*** Olson introduced Chris Koerperich from RSM for the presentation of audit for year ending June 30, 2019. The Agency received a clean opinion, the highest that can be given. No deficiencies were found. The audit presentation covered revenues, expenses, net position, and cash balances. Discussion ensued.

Lukan asked the board to approve the February accounts payables. He said this month featured some large capital expenditures, including the new D8. He also noted no questions were received from the finance committee. Hershner moved to approve February Accounts payables in the amount of \$1,953,003.04. Olson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

***Directors Report:*** McShane gave presentation on Agency history, covering Linn County landfill siting history, regulations, 28E formation, integrated solid waste management planning, alternatives, and next steps. Following the presentation, Oleson shared questions he has received from residents, why not build a facility similar to the Ames incinerator and why not use plasma arc technology? McShane answered explaining that the Agency cannot guarantee the waste stream needed to run a facility using those technologies and make it cost effective. She noted currently there are zero facilities using plasma arc technology to process the types of waste received at the Solid Waste Agency anywhere in the United States. Mays gave a cell modification presentation, covering Site 2 capacity, options for when current landfill closes, and cost differences for the different options. T. Olson asked what's the cost going to be for transfer when the landfill closes. Discussion about hauling costs, gas prices, final destination, handling, and non-landfillable items ensued. The draft cell modification proposal presentation was tabled and will be given at the March meeting. Copies of the three presentations will be sent to the board. Discussion about strategic planning sessions and member and associate member involvement ensued.

***Recreational Facility Update:*** Hornung provided update about the Site 1 improvement work, including building renovation, scale house relocation, and demo work. He also provided the updated work schedule.

***Engineers Report:*** Prestegard discussed the Site 1 Gas System Modifications Project, saying it will simplify operations and maintenance of the system. He asked the board to authorize bid letting. Oleson

moved to authorize the bid letting for the Site 1 Landfill Gas System Modifications Project and set a public hearing on plans and specifications for the March board meeting. Olson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

***Board Member Reports:*** None.

***Public Input:*** None.

Due to lack of further business, meeting adjourned at 2:59 p.m.