

MIAMI COUNTY RECYCLING DISTRICT BOARD MEETING July 17th, 2023, AT 12:00 P.M.

The Miami County Recycling District held a meeting of the Board of Directors on Monday July 17th, 2023, at 12:00 P.M. at the Recycling District Office

Attending in person: Brenda Weaver-Vice Chairman, Miami County Commissioner, Keith Musselman-Miami County Commissioner, Alan Hunt-Chairman, Ms. Sandy Chittum-County Council.

Absent: Mr. Steve Garber, Mr. Miles Hewitt-Mayor, Mr. Tom Gustin- Peru City Council

Staff Attending in person: Jenny Gatliff- Director, Carla Speth- Assistant Director

Absent: Bill Berkshire

Public Attending: Alan Myers, Gloria Yoars, Bud & Leslie Sparks, Sara Musselman, Fran Hoeppner and Phil & Annette Phillippo.

Call to Order: Mr. Hunt called the meeting to order at 11:59 AM

Approval of Minutes:

• Mr. Hunt waived the reading of the Board minutes. Board members received a copy of the minutes from the June 19th, 2023, Board of Directors meeting in their board packets. Mr. Fred Musselman motioned to approve the meeting minutes; Mrs. Brenda Weaver seconded. Roll Call No. 071723 - Motion to approve the MCRD Board Meeting Minutes from June 19th, 2023; motion carried (4-0.).

Approval of Financial Report and Claims:

• Board members reviewed claims and financial reports for July & August 2023. Mr. Fred Musselman motioned to approve; Mrs. Brenda Weaver seconded. Roll Call No. 071723A Approval of June & July financials and claims; motion carried (4-0).

Director's Report: Total amount of invoices sent out was \$445,750. To date we have \$85,585.20 unpaid. We will be mailing late notices the first of August.

Approval of Voided/Dropped Invoices: Updated list of voided bills was reviewed by board. Mr. Fred Musselman motioned to approve the voided bills; Mrs. Brenda Weaver, seconded. Roll Call No. 071723B Approval of voided bills; motion carried (4-0).

Lawyer's Report: None

Old Business:

• **Contractor:** Per the email last week. We received a quote from Kyle with Wasteaway Group LLC., Base on how many bins, location, and service schedule, we were paying Recovery Recycling roughly \$13,000 monthly. With the same locations and service schedule, estimated cost would be \$270,000 annually. Obviously our budget of \$176,000 can't withstand this. Ms. Jenny Gatliff recommends removing the following sites: Mexico, Denver Garage, Amboy, and Macy. These locations are the most abused and unmonitored. This would decrease the estimated rate to \$125,000 annually. We would have three recycling bins, two trash bins,

(for bulk dropoff items) at the district, two bins at North Miami High School & Elementary, one bin at Erie and two bins at Mac High School. Doing so will make way in our budget for unexpected expenses with extra hauls and possible trash/furniture around bins, etc. Mr. Fred Musselman motioned to approve contractor/quotes; Mrs. Brenda Weaver, seconded. Roll Call No. 071723C Approval of new contract; motion carried (4-0).

New Business:

- **Recovery Recycling Invoices:** On July 7th, 2023, we received an invoice from Recovery Recycling for trash disposal and mowing charges from March-June 2023. A total of \$1,725 was billed. Looking back at the past years, this is the first invoice received for mowing. The district is unaware of mowing in the months of March, April & May. Mowing may have been completed once in the said time frame. Ms. Gatliff requested permission to submit payment only for recycling services and final payment to be submitted upon receival of requested recycling weights, from January of 2023 to June of 2023. Mr. Fred Musselman motioned to approve; Mrs. Brenda Weaver seconded. Roll Call No. 071723D approval of payment appropriations; motion carried (4-0).
- New Mowing Contractor: On June 28th, 2023, we hired a new mowing contractor. His name is Randy Blair. He will mow and spray weeds for \$107 per week. So far he's doing a great job.
- **Gravel at District:** Having permanent recycling bins at the district entrance, gravel needed for trucks to easily access the recycling bins. We also need gravel inside the gate.
- **Perf for Carla:** Carla has been working full-time hours and would like to request participation in Perf. Mr. Fred Musselman motioned to approve; Ms. Sandy Chittum seconded. Roll Call No. 071723E. Approval of Perf participation for Carla Speth; motion carried (4-0).

Public Comment: Several patrons were present for the meeting to voice their concerns regarding recycling bins. We discussed our budget limitations, previous recycling contractor's lack of provided service and the abuse of county recycling bins, specifically in Mexico and Denver areas. Ms. Gatliff and the board of directors were able to inform said patrons of the operation within the recycling district.

Next Meeting:

Board of Directors- Monday August 21st, 2023, 12 P.M. MIAMI COUNTY RECYCLING DISTRICT CONFERENCE ROOM, 2651 W LOGANSPORT RD, PERU, IN.

Adjournment: Adjournment was unanimous.

Jenny Gatliff, Director

Alan Hunt, Chairman