NEW RIVER SOLID WASTE ASSOCIATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
January 10, 2019

The New River Solid Waste Association Board of Directors met for a Regular Board Meeting at 12:00 p.m. on January 10, 2019 with the following members present:

Commissioner Karen Cossey, Chairwoman
Commissioner Kenny Thompson, Vice-Chairman
Commissioner Cathy Rhoden, Secretary/Treasurer
Commissioner James Croft
Commissioner Channing Dobbs

Others present were: Perry Kent, Executive Director
Joel Woolsey, Assistant Director
Lydia Greene, Office Manager/Admin. Asst.
Melissa Waters, Finance Officer
Russ Wade, Board Attorney

Chairwoman Cossey called the meeting to order. Prayer was led by Commissioner Dobbs followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairwoman Cossey turned the meeting over to Russ Wade, Board Attorney, for election of Board Chair for 2019. Mr. Wade called for nominations for Chair. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to nominate Commissioner Cossey as Chair. Mr. Wade asked for any further nominations for Chair. There were none. Mr. Wade called for a vote on the motion to elect Commissioner Cossey as Chairwoman. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Wade turned the meeting over to Chairwoman Cossey.

Chairwoman Cossey called for a motion for nomination for Vice-Chairman. Commissioner Rhoden made a motion to nominate Commissioner Thompson for Vice-Chairman. Chairwoman Cossey called for any further nominations. There were none. Chairwoman Cossey called for a vote on the motion to nominate Commissioner Thompson as Vice-Chairman. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairwoman Cossey called for a nomination for Secretary/Treasurer. Commissioner Croft made a motion to nominate Commissioner Rhoden for Secretary/Treasurer. Chairwoman Cossey called for any further
nominations. There were none. Chairwoman Cossey called for a vote on the motion to nominate Commissioner Rhoden as Secretary/Treasurer. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairwoman Cossey called for a motion on agenda item #3, Approval of Expenditures for November and December 2018. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve the expenditures for November and December 2018. Commissioner Croft seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairwoman Cossey called for a motion on agenda item #4, Approval of Regular Board Minutes for November 8, 2018. Commissioner Rhoden made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Board Minutes for November 8, 2018. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairwoman Cossey called for discussion of agenda item #6, Engineering Updates/Other. Ms. Carol Sawyer, Jones Edmunds, said there were an Engineering Work Order to present to the board for approval.

Ms. Sawyer said Work Order #90, Cityworks Implementation, is for providing engineering services for the implementation of Cityworks, an asset data management software, in the amount not to exceed $25,200.00. The software will be used at New River for management of gas data and will be extremely beneficial with managing the LGTE project currently underway. Commissioner Croft asked the price of the software. Ms. Sawyer said the cost is $6,000.00 annually for hosting and maintenance and will allow up to 25 users. Mr. Kent added that the software will allow for inputting and retention of data along with automatic notification of any problems in the gas system. The software requires all necessary data to be input before allowing the user to proceed which will help with tracking random missed items of importance and is also compatible with our current hardware. This software will also be able to assist with the annual equipment inventory that is performed and other projects that require tracking. Mr. Kent said that staff will be able to assume using the software after Jones Edmunds has completed all of the initial setup and that the cost is covered in this year’s budget. Commissioner Croft asked what was
included in the work order. Ms. Sawyer said that the cost covers programming development, inputting of all of our wells, all of the report forms for DEP reporting. Jones Edmunds will prepare the system for staff to take over when done.

Chairwoman Cossey called for a motion on Work Order #90, Cityworks Implementation, in the amount of $25,200.00. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve Work Order #90 in the amount not to exceed $25,200.00. Commissioner Rhoden seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairwoman Cossey called for discussion of Agenda Item #7, Discuss Responses Received for IFB 18-03 EGC Cover Material. Ms. Sawyer said that two bids had been received for the EGC Cover Material and that both bid submittals were under budget and both appeared to meet the specifications contained in the bid. Ms. Sawyer stated that they are currently requesting additional information to clarify a couple of items in each bid submitted before completing the bid assessment. Based on the responses received, the recommendation is to award the bid to Solmax GSE as low bidder in the amount of $294,138. Mr. Kent said that we have done business with Solmax in the past who was used for liner material for Cell 5. Mr. Kent said this project is for the exposed closure material to be used for closing part of the landfill and will cover about 12 ½ acres and will use closure funds. Mr. Kent said that the second bid was submitted by National Lining Systems in the amount of $337,264. Mr. Kent asked the board to consider approving both bids submitted and based on the responses to clarification of information to be provided from both bidders to allow him to move forward on awarding the bid for EGC Cover Material to the low bidder, Solmax GSE, or to National Lining Systems if the responses warrant going to the next company other than lowest bid.

Chairwoman Cossey called for a motion on awarding the bid to Solmax GSE as the low bidder or to National Lining Systems based on clarification of items as requested. Commissioner Croft made a motion to award the bid to Solmax, GSE as low bidder or to National Lining Systems based on the clarifications requested. Commissioner Dobbs seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairwoman Cossey asked for discussion for Agenda Item #8, Discuss purchase of new CAT 826K Landfill Compactor. Mr. Kent said that the equipment maintenance specification requires an oil sample to be pulled
every 250 hours and sent to a lab who submits the test results back to Ringpower and New River. Mr. Kent said that the results show what problems could be happening with that piece of equipment. For the past 6-8 months the compactor he is looking to replace has had bad oil sample results. After discussing with Ringpower and Florida Tractor Repair, all agree that it is very likely a piston starting to fail, which is a costly repair. Mr. Kent said that instead of waiting on that to happen, or spending the money for a major repair, this compactor is scheduled to be replaced next fiscal year, so replacing it now would only be about 8 months early. He has spoken to Ringpower about replacing our compactor and was told that it takes 6 to 8 months to build an 826 compactor when ordered but that they have a compactor that was ordered and not picked up that they could sell to New River. This compactor meets our specs and can be purchased on state pricing. Mr. Kent said that the money was not in this year’s budget but can be purchased with funds from the Depreciation account. Instead of the 4 weeks to repair the old compactor at a cost of around $50,000-$60,000, he would like to ask the board to be able to sell back our old compactor and purchase the new compactor Ringpower has. The money used from the Depreciation fund could be replaced next year with the money that would have been budgeted for the new compactor. Mr. Kent said that Ringpower has made an offer of $210,000 to buy our old compactor now which is more than the buyback in 8 months which would have been $180,000 due to hours in use. The cost of the compactor less the buyback from Ringpower is $416,776. Commissioner Thompson asked if the compactor was new and previously untitled. Mr. Todd Sandlin, Ringpower, said that the compactor has not been previously owned and had been delivered to CAT in North Carolina and was never picked up due to the customer cancelling the order.

Chairwoman Cossey asked for a motion to purchase the new compactor at a cost of $416,776 with the buyback from Ringpower of $210,000 for the old compactor. Commissioner Dobbs made a motion to purchase the new compactor. Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairwoman Cossey called for discussion under agenda item #9, Discuss adding Memorial Day to Closed Holidays. Mr. Kent said that Memorial Day is not currently an official closed holiday but for the past 4 or 5 years we have been closing due to Alachua County not running on that holiday. The counties are normally closed for Memorial Day as well. Mr. Kent said he would like the board to consider making Memorial Day an
official closed holiday so that there is no need to try to notify everyone at the last minute that we will not be open that day.

Chairwoman Cossey called for a motion on adding Memorial Day to the closed holidays for New River. Commissioner Rhoden made a motion to add Memorial Day to the closed holidays. Commissioner Dobbs seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairwoman Cossey asked for discussion of Agenda Item #10, Discuss Approval of Annual Sod Quotes Received. Mr. Kent said we are not currently using a lot of sod but that we ask for quotes each year for that purpose. Three quotes were received for sod. The lowest was Smith & Sons at .20 cents for rolled Bermuda and .03 cents for hydroseed, Suwannee Valley Grassing was second lowest at .21 cents for rolled Bermuda and .04 cents for hydroseed, Sodmore was third at $1.79 for rolled Bermuda and .27 cents for hydroseed. Mr. Kent said that we generally ask for all quotes received to be approved so that we can contact the lowest first and then move on to whoever has the sod material when we need it.

Chairwoman Cossey called for a motion on approval of the sod quotes received. Commissioner Croft made a motion to approve the quotes from Smith & Son and Suwannee Valley Grassing and not to approve the quote from Sodmore. Commissioner Rhoden seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairwoman Cossey called for discussion of Agenda Item #11, Discuss Approval of Semi-Annual Limerock Quotes Received. Mr. Kent said that we request quotes twice a year for limerock material and three quotes were received. The lowest was from Liberty Trucking at $6.10 for big rock and $5.25 for regular rock with a freight charge per ton of $6.10 each, the second lowest was from Pritchett Trucking at $7.50 for big rock and $5.75 for regular rock with a freight charge per ton of $7.00 each, the third was from Robby Worrell Construction at $6.00 for big rock and $5.50 for regular rock with a freight charge of $9.22 each. There were no changes to prices for the new quotes submitted. Mr. Kent asked that the board approve all quotes submitted so that we can order from the lowest first and move on to the company who has the material when we need it.

Chairwoman Cossey called for a motion to approve the limerock quotes submitted. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve the three limerock quotes submitted. Commissioner Rhoden seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
Chairwoman Cossey asked for any discussion under Agenda Item #12, Alachua County Issues/Items. Mr. Irby said that he would like to advise the board that Ms. Palmi submitted her resignation today and that a replacement for her position as Alachua County Solid Waste and Resource Recovery Director would be underway.

Chairwoman Cossey asked for discussion of agenda item #13, Attorney Issues/Items. Mr. Wade did not have anything for discussion.

Chairwoman Cossey asked for discussion under agenda item #14, Executive Director Issues/Items. Mr. Kent said the Levy County contract extension was ready and that Levy County would like to present it to their board on January 22, 2019. The contract is for 10 years and would provide for the same 10 year tipping fee schedule as included in the current Alachua County contract. Mr. Kent added that keeping Levy County’s waste is important to the future of New River. The contract they would be signing is the same contract just with the change in tipping fees and for an additional 10 years. Mr. Kent asked the board’s desires on moving forward on the Levy County contract extension.

Chairwoman Cossey called for a motion on the Levy County contract extension. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to move forward with the new Levy County contract extension. Commissioner Dobbs seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Kent added that he had been interviewed by Ms. Sawyer and New River Regional Landfill was the first facility spotlighted in the most recent SWANA Florida publication, Talking Trash. A copy of the article had been made for the board.

Chairwoman Cossey called for any discussion under agenda item #15, Board/Chairman Issues/Items. Commissioner Dobbs said he was looking forward to working with this board and thanked everyone for being so welcoming. Mr. Kent said that Commissioner Dobbs, who is our new board commissioner from Union County, had visited New River yesterday to learn more about us and that we welcome him to New River Solid Waste Association.

Chairwoman Cossey called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Croft made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Commissioner Thompson. The meeting was adjourned.