

NEW RIVER SOLID WASTE ASSOCIATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
July 11, 2019

The New River Solid Waste Association Board of Directors met for a Regular Board Meeting at 12:00 p.m. on July 11, 2019 with the following members present:

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

Others present were: Perry Kent, Executive Director
Joel Woolsey, Assistant Director
Melissa Waters, Finance Officer
Lydia Greene, Office Manager/Admin. Asst.
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 introduced Union County's new County Coordinator, Mr. James Williams, who is attending the meeting today.

Chairwoman Cossey called for a motion on agenda item #2, Approval of Expenditures for May and June 2019. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve the expenditures for May and June 2019. Commissioner Dobbs seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairwoman Cossey called for a motion on agenda item #3, Approval of Regular Board Minutes for May 9, 2019. Commissioner Dougherty made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Board Minutes for March 14, 2019. Commissioner Rhoden seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairwoman Cossey asked if there were any questions or comments from the public. There were none.

Chairwoman Cossey called for discussion of agenda item #5, Engineering Updates/Other. Ms. Carol Sawyer, Jones Edmunds, said that the bid for sand and gravel for the EGC closure project was issued and 5 bids were received, 2 were from local vendors. None of the 5 submittals were complete and all were missing some of the testing requested in the bid specifications. An extension has been provided for these 5 companies to submit the testing for the material by July 22nd. After the testing has been received, the bid submittals will be evaluated.

Ms. Sawyer added that the EGC closure project is scheduled to begin next week.

Chairwoman Cossey called for discussion of Agenda Item #6, Update on LGTE Project. Mr. Kent said that we had received an update from Fortistar around 6:45 p.m. yesterday. The good news is that a timeline has been provided with an operation start date of December 31, 2020. Mr. Kent said that a destination for the gas to be trucked to has been determined and is near the Jacksonville Airport. The project has changed to a virtual gas pipeline project and will result in approximately 5 trucks per day to run from New River to the Peoples Gas injection point which is about 50 miles from here. Mr. Kent said that Fortistar plans to have the purchasing agreement finalized and executed by the end of August 2019. Mr. Kent added that the good news is that we have movement on the project and we should have more news for the board by the September board meeting.

Chairwoman Cossey asked for discussion for Agenda Item #7, Cityworks Implementation Update. Mr. Woolsey said that the Cityworks software is up and running and has been tested with assistance from Jones Edmunds. It is a very useful tool to track work that needs to be completed and we are very happy with the software. Mr. Woolsey added that we are currently working on ideas for expanding our use of the system and that he will also be making a presentation on Cityworks at the upcoming SWANA conference as the first landfill in the US to use this software. Mr. Kent said this system prevents us from missing something and is a good tool for making sure nothing falls through the cracks. The staff has learned to use the tool very quickly. We can use Cityworks to show our inspectors documentation of when problems have been identified and corrected.

Mr. Kent added that we have had both an air and solid waste inspection in the past few weeks and both were without comment.

Chairwoman Cossey called for discussion under agenda item #8, Annual Toxic Waste Roundup Event – Recap for 2019. Mrs. Greene said that the amounts collected this year for Baker and Bradford counties were down from the previous year. Baker County’s collection was down by almost 3 tons and Bradford County was down by over 6 tons, while Union County was up by 2 tons from last year. The invoice amount of \$5,416.37 was less than the budgeted amount of \$6,900.00. There was some discussion about whether we can increase the number of Toxic Round-up days to more than once per year based on the expense and the availability of Alachua County.

Chairwoman Cossey asked for discussion of Agenda Item # 9, Alachua County Issues/Items. Mr. Irby said he had seen some decrease in the amount of materials collected for the Alachua County Toxic Round-up this year as well. Mr. Irby added that there were no issues at this time.

Chairwoman Cossey asked for discussion of agenda item #10, Attorney Issues/Items. Mr. Wade did not have anything for discussion.

Chairwoman Cossey asked for discussion under agenda item #11, Executive Director Issues/Items. Mr. Kent and Mr. Woolsey said they did not have anything else to discuss at this time.

Chairwoman Cossey called for any discussion under agenda item #12, Board/Chairman Issues/Items. Chairwoman Cossey said that Union County was having their employee CPR Certification training and could host New River’s employees if Mr. Kent would like to send them for certification. The training could be done in 2 days in order to give all employees a chance to attend. Mr. Kent said he would like to know training dates when they have been determined to see if it would fit our employees schedules.

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