

NEW RIVER SOLID WASTE ASSOCIATION
SPECIAL CALLED BOARD MEETING MINUTES
February 8, 2018

The New River Solid Waste Association Board of Directors met in a Special Called Board Meeting at noon on February 8, 2018 with the following members present:

Commissioner Karen Cossey, Chairwoman
Commissioner James Croft, Vice-Chairman
Commissioner Chris Dougherty
Commissioner Cathy Rhoden
Commissioner Jimmy Tallman

Others present were: Darrell O'Neal, Executive Director
Perry Kent, Assistant Director
Melissa Waters, Finance Officer
Lydia Greene, Office Manager/Admin. Asst.

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

Chairwoman Cossey called for a motion on agenda item #2, Approval of Expenditures for January, 2018. Commissioner Dougherty made a motion to approve the expenditures for January 2018. Commissioner Tallman seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairwoman Cossey called for a motion on agenda item #3, Approval of Regular Board Minutes for January 11, 2018. Commissioner Tallman made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Board Minutes for January 11, 2018. 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. Mr. O'Neal asked Mr. Woolsey, Jones Edmunds, to update the board on the engineering items and specifically the RFP for the landfill gas project. Mr. Woolsey said Jones Edmunds had been in contact

with industry experts about the gas project at New River and that a draft RFP has been put together to issue for responses including a CNG fueling project, which Alachua County has indicated they were interested in. The RFP has been left fairly wide open for any options that may be proposed. In their discussions, it came up that New River should leave the RFP out for a little longer to give responders time to do the up-front work needed before submitting their response so that we would receive more accurate proposals rather than having to change things in the proposal after the submittals have been received, as has happened in the past. The schedule will be to issue the RFP in about two weeks and let the proposers have eight weeks to develop their responses. The bids will be due back around April 20th and will be reviewed for presenting to the board at the May board meeting.

Mr. O'Neal added that a conference call had taken place with Florida Public Utilities. They do not have a natural gas project and asked if we would be interested in them helping us develop an electric project, which we declined. They are involved with the natural gas lines and we agreed to include them on the mailing list for this RFP. Mr. O'Neal said that he and Mr. Kent had discussed the pre-bid meeting in connection with this project and they do not feel the pre-bid meeting should be mandatory. A pre-bid meeting will be held for those who can and want to attend but at the same time we don't want to exclude anyone from submitting a proposal. Mr. Woolsey said that the proposers could set up a visit anytime they want to come but that the nature of the project doesn't require a site visit.

Mr. Woolsey said that he and Mr. Kent had gone to visit another CNG landfill site recently and it is apparent that this technology is becoming more viable and is being used in more places which makes the project more interesting to developers. Mr. Woolsey said that the RINs values are going up in value, which makes it a good time to do a gas project.

Commissioner Dougherty said that he wanted to thank Mr. O'Neal and Mr. Kent for participating in the conference call with Florida Public Utilities and didn't mean for this to waste anyone's time. He had thought it would turn out to be something beneficial. Commissioner Dougherty added that he had spoken with Representative Payne who had indicated that Seminole Electric was not currently interested in a project at this time. Mr. Woolsey said it will be interesting to see who is interested in part due to the RINs that will be available.

Chairwoman Cossey called for discussion of Agenda Item #6, Discuss Bids received for IFB 18-01 Installation of Landfill Gas Extraction Wells. Mr. Woolsey said that two bid proposals had been received for this project

and that both of the firms were companies that were well known. The bid that came in the lowest and met all of the qualifications was from Sullivan Environmental. Sullivan Environmental has done work at New River and does a lot of landfill work in the state. They are also good to work with. Mr. Woolsey said the total bid price submitted from Sullivan Environmental was \$94,719.75 and the recommendation is to award the bid to Sullivan Environmental. Mr. O'Neal said that this was well within the budgeted amount.

Chairwoman Cossey called for a motion to award IFB 18-01 to Sullivan Environmental for a bid price of \$94,719.75. Commissioner Tallman made a motion to award the bid for IFB 18-01 to Sullivan Environmental. Commissioner Rhoden seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairwoman Cossey called for discussion for Agenda Item #7, Alachua County Issues/Items. Mr. O'Neal said that Ms. Palmi was unable to attend the meeting today but that he had spoken briefly with Ms. Palmi. She indicated she wanted to get together for a pre-negotiation meeting and he was hoping this would happen by next week. Mr. O'Neal stated he had asked Ms. Palmi about the contract extension and she said she wasn't sure where that was right now.

Chairwoman Cossey asked for discussion for Agenda Item #8 Attorney Issues/Items. Mr. Wade was unable to attend the meeting,

Chairwoman Cossey called for any discussion under agenda item #9, Executive Director Issues/Items. Mr. O'Neal said that his back surgery has been scheduled for February 20th and he is not sure of the recovery time. He will have a checkup after two weeks and will know more then but probably will not be able to attend a March meeting if one is held.

Chairwoman Cossey asked for discussion of agenda item #10, Board/Chairman Issues/Items. There was nothing further for discussion.

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