

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY MINUTES

Solid Waste Management Authority Board Meeting October 29, 2019

PRESENT: Chairman Jeffrey E. Turner (SWMA Member), (SWMA Member), Robb Leatherwood (SWMA Member), Captain Sean MacDonald (SWMA Member), and Edie Yongue (SWMA Member). Member Terry Baskin came in late and Commissioner Felicia Franklin Warner was absent. Also present were Jeff Metarko (Director of Transportation and Development), Nathan Parrott (Landfill Manager), Josh Lawson with Jacobs Engineering, and Brenda James (County Clerk).

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Chairman Turner called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

II. ADOPTION OF AUGUST 27, 2019 MEETING MINUTES:

Chairman Turner entertained a motion to adopt the August 27, 2019 Meeting Minutes. Motion made by Sean McDonald and seconded by Rob Leatherwood to approve the minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

III. WATER AUTHORITY'S WALNUT CREEK LIFT STATION:

Kelly Taylor, Project Management and Engineering Director for the Water Authority gave an overview of the Walnut Creek Lift Station, new development and planning. She spoke on the need to upgrade the capacity. She spoke on the design underway. Josh Lawson of Jacobs Engineering said there may be a way to have fewer wells where we can decommission old wells and put in new ones. There was a discussion on the following: 1) Fund decommissioning of existing wells and put in new ones not to exceed \$33,000. 2) Expansion of existing 20ft wide easement on the pipelines to 40ft wide, 3) Approve to move forward with developing a written agreement.

Chairman Turner questioned what funding account this would come from and also would this be sufficient for the growth in Lovejoy. Jeff Metarko, Director of Transportation and Development said the award would be in June 2020 and funds from the Board of Commissioners.

After much discussion Chairman Turner made the motion to approve the request of funding the project and easement if needed and prepare the Memorandum of Understanding for the Board of Commissioners for consideration. Sean McDonald made the second. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. TRANSFER STATION:

Jeff Metarko gave a report on the property at Grant Road /Hwy42 and property previously chosen by the board for the transfer station. He said these locations have a stream – Big Cotton, Southern Railroad, many Wetlands and a special flood hazard zone. He said all of these things will impact the ability to build on them. Josh Lawson said we should go back to the drawing board for other land. Jeff said the only one left on the initial map is Williams Road. Chairman Turner said Ms. Dees would check on land from mid Clayton County to the northeast portion. There was much discussion on vacated development land and what it would be to clear the land.

V. LANDFILL’S EPD PERMIT:

Josh Lawson with Jacobs Engineering gave a brief presentation review on key initiatives for the renewal of the contract with Jacobs Engineering. This presentation included a timeline of transfer station evaluation, a chart illustrating potential transfer station properties, map IDs of Forest Parkway and Grant Road, Transfer Station cost elements, funding estimates for February of 2018, and lift station upgrades.

VI. CITY OF LOVEJOY’S TRANSPORTATION PROJECT- LAND ACQUISITION:

Mark Whitley from the City of Lovejoy spoke on the project. He spoke on the proposed landfill entrance modification, the required right-of-way and the temporary easement. He gave a total of \$58,500. Chairman made a motion to donate the right-of-way and easement to the City of Lovejoy and execute the agreement with Sean McDonald providing the second. The motion carried.

VII. KEEP CLAYTON BEAUTIFUL STATUS:

Jeff Metarko said they were in the process of hiring the Executive Director and then they would hire their own staff. The hiring board consist of the COO, Detrick Stanford, Human Resources Director, Pamela Ambles and Jeff Metarko. He said they will make a recommendation to the Board of Commissioners.

VIII. OPEN DISCUSSION:

It was discussed that the next meeting would be January 28, 2019 at 10:00am.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Mickey Garber was present and had a few words regarding the pickup of trash.

X. ADJOURN:

Mr. Terry Baskin made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Sean McDonald providing the second at 11:13am. The motion carried unanimously.

Brenda B. James
County Clerk