

**Lincoln County
Solid Waste Committee Meeting
Wednesday, August 27, 2014
Landfill Office, Merrill, WI**

1. **Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.** by Chairman Vander Sanden.
Members present: Vander Sanden, Schwartzman, Pike, Rankin and Loka. Dan Miller, Rick Dorn; Schley Chairman and Roy James; Fabco Sales Territory Manager were also present.
2. **Minutes** of July 30, 2014 were approved as printed by Motion/ Second (M/S) - Loka/Schwartzman - all ayes.
3. **Review vouchers** – July - 2014 vouchers were made available and reviewed by Committee members, placed on file.
4. **Waste tonnage and leachate reports** – Miller explained the report components and reviewed the waste volume and leachate reports for the Committee. Garbage volume is up 11% from major haulers and 10% as a component of all waste categories over the same period last year. Advanced Waste showed a 17.39% increase in volume over last year to this point.

The wet weather in 2013/2014 is still influencing leachate production but the effects are lessening. 4.38 million gallons were produced in the year's comparison and around 1.47 million gallons were recirculated leaving over 2.9 million gallons going to Merrill or PCA for treatment. This is 514,000 gallons more than one year ago. Drews has been hauling regularly again as no leachate may be recirculated in the Phase 4 cell until the bottom area is fully covered with 10 feet of waste material. Reports to be placed on file.
5. **Financial Reports** – Miller went through Statement of Operations and Cash Flow Statements for the month of July and year-to-date for 2014 and the expense tracking report for the landfill expansion project. We invoiced \$3.5 million to date and expensed about \$2.265 million in operational costs. Expansion expenses to date total about \$2.776 million. A final settlement payment for the Phase 4 construction was paid as well as an engineering expense in August that will show up in next month's report. The total billing for the expansion will exceed 3 million dollars when everything is paid. The unrestricted cash reserves balance stands at \$2.51 million to use for capital expenses and will grow a bit more after all accounts receivables are credited. Reports to be placed on file.
6. **Manager's report** – Written report was handed out at the meeting. Miller explained major points - placed on file.
7. **Authorize procurement and certified rebuilding of CAT 826 G Compactor and take delivery in 2015** – Miller explained that Tim Fritz has reserved a 1996 826 G compactor that was last operated in Winnebago County. A salesman had it sold and Tim had to call it back as he secured it as our replacement machine. Miller referred the committee to the

sales quote in the packet. Roy explained what a certified rebuild includes and that the wheel guards can be welded onto the existing wheels at a cost of an additional \$11,000. The committee members had several questions regarding warranty and actual components included in a certified rebuild. They also wanted a reduction in price to include the wheel guards. Roy had to confirm some items and would ask about a price reduction. No action taken on the agenda item pending additional information.

- 8. Clean Sweep Grant/events - resolution** Miller explained that it has been 7 years since Lincoln County held a clean sweep event. The grant materials and application were just released by DATCP and the application would be due by September 22nd. Currently Lincoln County residents are directed to take sorted hazardous waste to either Oneida or Marathon County permanent collection sites. The grant is a 75% - 25% split with our 25% match coming from in kind costs. M/S Rankin / Schwartzman to apply for both a Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) and an Agricultural Waste temporary collection site grant. If successful, a resolution to accept the grant would be submitted to the county board for approval. Motion carried; all ayes.
- 9. Merrill Gravel Settlement** – Miller explained that through negotiations via face to face meetings and letters of correspondence he reached a settlement figure with Merrill Gravel on a final billing and payment. He was able to reduce the original bill by \$51,000. M/S, Loka/Pike to accept the negotiated final payment to Merrill Gravel. Motion carried; all ayes.
- 10. WPS Ash Project Update** – Miller reported that enough ash was hauled in to grade it to design grades on the side slopes of the landfill, barrier layer soil was placed over the ash per the digital terrain model and confirmed on the east side and is in progress on the west side. The soil was stabilized through seeding and matting by Scott's Enterprises where it was ready. There still remains however, six feet of air space in the upper reaches of the landfill and he obtained permission from the DNR review engineer as well as from WPS to bring in an additional 10,000 tons of fly ash to bring the top of waste up to just under design grades. A new purchase order was prepared and signed and the first loads of the additional fly ash were brought in today. Once the additional ash is placed, the top of the landfill will be temporarily capped following the same procedures as the side slopes.
- 11. Heineman Road discussion** – Vander Sanden recapped that Miller and the Corporation Counsel reviewed old Solid Waste Committee minutes as well as County Board minutes regarding Lincoln County's agreement with the Town of Merrill and County Board decisions to construct Highway R. No official agreements were made to extend it any further east than the Merrill/Schley town line. But, he also said that he found some highway minutes from several meetings that did show that discussions of the county taking Heineman Road over to Highway 17 from the Merrill/Schley line did occur. He went through several sets of minutes to identify the dates and talking points. He said that he was going to put the item on the Highway Committee agenda for further discussion.

12. Next meeting Date – September 4, 2014 at 4:30 p.m. at the landfill office to discuss the procurement of the CAT compactor for rebuilding and purchase. The subsequent meeting will occur on September 24th as previously approved.

13. Adjourn at 7:00 p.m. by M/S: Rankin/Loka - all ayes.

**Minutes prepared by,
Dan Miller
Solid Waste Manager**