

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 12, 2018 REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Upper Valley Waste Management Agency met in regular session on Monday, February 12, 2018 at 1:30p.m. at the Yountville Town Council Chambers. Chair Mohler called the meeting to order at 1:30p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Chair Mohler, Member Koberstein, Member Canning, Member Dillon, Alternate Member Wagenknecht.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Alternate Member Wagenknecht led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

In this time period, anyone who wishes to speak to the Authority Board of Directors regarding any subject over which the Board has jurisdiction, that is not on the agenda, or to request consideration to place an item on a future Board agenda, may do so at this time. Individuals will be limited to a three minute presentation. The Board of Directors will take no action as a result of any item presented at this time. None

5. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

A. Approval of Minutes

Staff requested approval of the December 18, 2017 regular meeting minutes.

Approved Consent Calendar item 5A: MK, CC, MM, DD, BW(A)

6. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

A. Elections

Member Dillon motioned to nominate existing Chair Mohler and Vice Chair Pedroza for a new term. Member Canning second the motion. Item unanimously approved.

6A: DD, BW, CC, MK, MM

B. California Integrated Waste Management Act

No action was taken. Amanda Griffis summarized the staff report provided with this agenda. There was a discussion on the possibility of having a medication pick-up location in Calistoga. Member Canning recommends mimicking St. Helena's pick-up location at Police Department for their location.

C. Clover Flat Landfill

Agency Manager summarized this item and noted staff recommends the approval to accept Fire debris collection be extended for an additional period of February 19th to March 19th (an additional 4 week period), due to the Army Corp of Engineers (ACOE) changing schedule. This would include an additional 40,000 tons of debris; making it a total of 160,000 tons of fire debris. The Board can revisit this item at the next Board meeting, with hopes at that point the ACOE will be done.

Origin of disaster waste is split as 45% Napa and 55% Sonoma based on the 75,000 tons of debris received as of the date of the Board meeting. Most of the Napa waste comes from outside the JPA's territory. Thus basically all of the fire debris was considered "out of area" (out of jurisdiction) waste.

With Board's approval of the additional 40,000 tons of fire debris to the landfill this will decrease the life of the landfill by about 3.5 years.

Board approves Calendar item 6C as written: CC, DD, MK, MM, BW

7. FRANCHISES' BUSINESS ITEMS

A. Franchises' Status

January 2018 CFL report handed out at the beginning of this meeting.

B. Waste Management Companies' Issues

A few commercial customers are asking to use four or six cubic yard plastic garbage containers. Traditionally, the Company has used metal bins, but in the last 5 years, plastic bins have become more popular in this industry. This is primarily because they are lighter, come with wheels, are easier to move and are less noisy. For the company, they are a little more expensive, they are not as easy to repair and they do not last as long as metal ones. Due to customers demand the Company is looking for the ability to charge more than the basic service to recover costs if they transition to only plastic bins. No action is required by the board at this time, intent was simply to introduce the concept, differentiated color bins and the discussed options of costs and if the Board is amenable to this then it will likely be included in the rate package coming in June. They seemed amenable to providing this service at a reasonable cost.

The market for many recyclable materials continues to struggle. If this continues to be an issue Company will be forced to return at some point to request relief from the recycling requirements in their agreement. Company does not think it is necessary to ask the public to stop sorting garbage and recycling yet, but rather at the plant they will stop collecting items that have no market. These items will go into the landfill. Company is not seeing this will cause a big dent in the diversion numbers yet since many of the materials in question are very light in actual weight.

Company is getting close to completing preparations for a St. Helena cleanup day. Due to size, this will be two days instead of the normal one, with the smaller part of the city first. East side of town, Main St, will be on Saturday, April 14th with West side of town on Saturday, April 21st. This includes only City limit customers and defining covers one bulky item only. There will be more information on the description of the bulky item at a later time.

Company will consider having a Calistoga Clean-up Day in June which will possibly require two days of collection. Larger Cities also require more costs which may not be fully covered by the annual service credits. Company is willing to talk about ways to make it sustainable for larger cities like Calistoga and St. Helena.

To be considered is a future discussion for Board and Company to discuss these special clean-up day costs included into the rates, which some communities already do. Then customer only needs to call and make an appointment.

8. OTHER BUSINESS ITEMS

A. Manager's Report

Last page of this agenda item is the Financial Report section which includes the report. It contains an error. The "charges of services" and "charges for services City" should both have been in "charges for services".

B. Reports from Jurisdictions

- i. <u>Napa County</u>: Nothing to report.
- ii. <u>Calistoga</u>: Nothing to report.
- iii. <u>St. Helena</u>: Christy Abreu (from Company) is coming to City Council meeting on February 13th to talk about the Minor Use Permit Mod for the recycling center. Clean up day happening in April.
- iv. <u>Yountville</u>: Bryce Howard (from Company) is coming to Town Council meeting on February 20th. Great strategy by the Company to attend Council meetings to attempt to get support. Next public hearing for the Use Permit Mod is set for March 7th with the County Planning Commission. Yountville will be hosting 7th Annual Shred-it Day, which includes eWaste collection, on Friday, April 20th 2pm -4pm at West America on Washington Street. Will run an ad in the Yountville Sun (newspaper).

C. Board of Directors Comments

None

D. **Future Agenda Items**

Discuss uses for budget surplus.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 2:15pm. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Agency Board of Directors is scheduled for Monday, March 19, 2018 at 1:30p.m., in the Yountville Town Council Meeting Chambers.



By: _______ATTEST: Steven Lederer, Manager of the Upper Valley Waste Management Agency

<u>KEY</u>

Vote: AP = Alfredo Pedroza; CC = Chris Canning; DD = Diane Dillon; MK = Mary Koberstein; MM = Margie Mohler

BW = Brad Wagenknecht; GE = Geoff Ellsworth; GK = Gary Kraus; KD = Kerri Dorman

The maker of the motion and second are reflected respectively in the order of the recorded vote.

Notations next to vote: Y = Ayes; N = No; A = Abstain; B = Absent; X = Excused