



Whitley County Solid Waste Management District

701 S. Line St. Columbia City, IN 46725

Monday, January 8, 2024

Regular Meeting

Present: Theresa Baysinger, Jenny Middleton, Chad Banks, Madalyn Sade-Bartl, and Ryan Daniel, Thor Hodges, Rob Schuman

Public Present- Director Tara Meyers, Matthew Shipman, Tiffany Deakins, Jennifer Shinabery and Kay Gatton

Theresa Baysinger called the meeting to order at 9am

Previous Meeting Minutes 12.11.23- Mr. Hodges made a motion to approve meeting minutes from December 11, 2023, with the correction of the vote counts in 3 spots for the board members who abstain. An abstention is not to be counted in the totals. Motion seconded by Mr. Daniel Motion passes unanimously 7/0.

Vendor Payables- Mrs. Sade-Bartl made a motion to approve vendor payables. Motion seconded by Mrs. Middleton. Motion passes unanimously 7/0.

SW Director Report- Mrs. Meyers informed the board that she submitted the application for the IDEM Waste Tire Grant on 12/27/23. Mrs. Meyers requested that the board initial the Auto Appropriation Transfers List for the 2023-year to close out year end. Mrs. Sade-Bartl made a motion to approve the 2023 Auto Appropriation Transfers List. Motion was seconded by Mr. Daniel. Motion passes unanimously 7/0.

2024 Officer Nominations and Votes-

Chair- Mr. Banks nominated Mrs. Baysinger. Mr. Banks made a motion to keep Mr. Baysinger in the position of board chair. Motion passes unanimously 7/0. Mr. Daniel made a motion to close chair nominations. Motion seconded by Mrs. Sade-Bartl. Motion passed unanimously 7/0.

Vice Chair- Mr. Daniel nominated Mr. Schuman. Mr. Schuman respectfully declined. Mr. Daniel removed his nomination. Mr. Daniel said if it pleases the board, he will remain vice chair. Mrs. Sade-Bartl made a motion to keep Mr. Daniel in the position of board chair. Motion passes unanimously 7/0. Mrs. Baysinger made a motion to close vice chair nominations. Motion seconded by Mrs. Sade-Bartl. Motion passed unanimously 7/0.

Secretary- Mr. Banks nominated Mr. Schuman. Mr. Banks made a motion to make Mr. Schuman the secretary. Motion passes unanimously 7/0. Mr. Banks made a motion to close secretary nominations. Motion seconded by Mrs. Middleton. Motion passed unanimously 7/0.

Treasurer- Mr. Daniel nominated Mrs. Sade-Bartl. Mr. Daniel made a motion to keep Mrs. Sade-Bartl in the position of treasurer. Mr. Banks made a motion to close nominations. Motion passed 7/0. Mr. Hodges Made a motion to reopen nominations because a final vote on treasurer was not taken before the nominations were closed. Motion passed unanimously 7/0. Mr. Daniel made a motion to keep Mrs. Sade-Bartl in the position of treasurer. Motion Passes unanimously 7/0. Mr. Hodges made a motion to close treasurer nominations. Motion seconded by Mr. Banks. Motion passed unanimously 7/0.



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Mr. Banks made a motion to close nominations. Motion passed unanimously 7/0.

Old Business

Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)- Mr. Daniel made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2024-01 to appoint Richard Watkins (2-year term), Stephen Smith (2-year term), and Debra Shinnman (1-year term) as members of the CAC. Mrs. Sade-Bartl seconded the motion. Motion passes unanimously 7/0.

Joint Board – County Council and Commissioners have already voted on 2 members to serve on the joint board. Mr. Hodges is still working on getting in contact with Don Amber to see if he will also sit on the joint board. Mr. Daniel asked that the joint board be put on the 02-12-24 meeting agenda.

Mrs. Baysinger had to leave the meeting 9:26am

GFL Curbside Overpayments- There was a brief discussion on the Release & Settlement Agreement. Mr. Banks made a motion to sign the agreement as presented. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Sade-Bartl. Motion passed unanimously 6/0

New Business

Part-Time Employee wages- There was a brief discussion on the current wages for the facilities part time employees. Mrs. Middleton made a motion to approve a 4% pay increase for all part-time employees. Motion was seconded by Mr. Banks. Motion passes 5/1.

Public Comments

Mrs. Gatton reported that the Inter Local Agreement needs to be updated at the next meeting to reflect the proper charges for late fees. Mr. Shipmen advised he would work on getting the interlocal agreement updated and sent to the board for review prior to the next meeting.

Mr. Banks made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Hodges seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:37 am

Theresa Baysinger- President

Rob Schuman- Secretary