



Whitley County Solid Waste Management District

701 S. Line St. Columbia City, IN 46725

Monday, September 9, 2024

Regular Meeting

Present: Theresa Baysinger, Chad Banks, Ryan Daniel, and Thor Hodges

Absent: Jenny Middleton, Rob Schuman, and Madalyn Sade-Bartl

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

Theresa Baysinger called the meeting to order at 9:16 am

Previous Meeting Minutes 8.12.24- Mr. Hodges made a motion to approve meeting minutes from August 12, 2024, as presented. Motion seconded by Mr. Daniel. Motion passes unanimously 4/0. With Mr. Schuman, Mrs. Middleton, and Mrs. Sade-Bartl absent.

Vendor Payables- Mr. Daniel made a motion to approve vendor payables as presented. Motion seconded by Mr. Banks. Motion passes unanimously 4/0. With Mr. Schuman, Mrs. Middleton, and Mrs. Sade-Bartl absent.

SW Director Report-

- Waste Tire Amnesty Day Report – Collected approximately 1,544 tires and serviced 103 vehicles
- Whitley County Soil & Water District 5th Grad Field Days Report – Went well. I received good feedback from teachers and students and was invited back next year.
- Working on getting a quote / lead time from Otto Environmental for bin purchase. Have not received pricing yet and plan to follow up with Otto.
- Annual AISWMD Director Retreat October 8th and 9th - Reminded the board that I would be away from the office for my annual meeting. Mrs. Baysinger asked where the meeting was this year. It is in Bloomington.

Old Business

Mrs. Baysinger asked the board if there was any old business to discuss. There was none.

New Business

Ordinance number 2024-02 Salary Ordinance- There were many discussions concerning the Directors salary for 2025. Mr. Hodges suggested that the Director be given a \$4,000.00 pay increase for 2025 making the Directors salary 69,520.00. Mr. Hodges stated that would be consistent with what they did with other county positions. Mrs. Shinabery provided the board with information as a comparison to how the county handled raises for 2025 for someone with the same pay classification (PAT 2) and 2080 hours annually. With that information Mrs. Shinabery said that the Directors salary for 2025 should be \$71,472.96. Mrs. Shinabery stated that this information is informative only and not a recommendation. Mr. Banks, Mr. Hodges, and Mr. Daniel are all in favor of \$69,520.00 annual salary for 2025. Mrs. Baysinger said the Director works more hours and it makes sense to compensate for the hours worked. Mrs. Baysinger is in favor of \$71,472.96 annual salary for 2025. Because the board members were not unanimous, and 3 board members were absent the board discussed maybe waiting till next month to vote to get feedback from missing board members. Mr. Daniel made a motion to table ordinance 2024-02 until next month's meeting on October 14, 2024



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@9am. Motion seconded by Mr. Banks. Motion passes unanimously 4/0. With Mr. Schuman, Mrs. Middleton, and Mrs. Sade-Bartl absent.

2025 Holiday Schedule- The holiday schedule is the one that was already approved by county council. Mr. Daniel made a motion to approve the Holiday Schedule as presented. Motion seconded by Mr. Banks. Motion passes unanimously 4/0. With Mr. Schuman, Mrs. Middleton, and Mrs. Sade-Bartl absent.

Public Comments- Mrs. Baysinger asked if there were any additional public comments. There were none.

Mr. Daniel made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Banks seconded. Motion passes unanimously 4/0. Meeting adjourned at 9:37 am

Theresa Baysinger- President

Rob Schuman- Secretary

Absent