

Warrick County Solid Waste Management District Board Meeting Minutes  
Warrick County Commissioner Meeting Room  
101 North Main Street, Boonville, IN 47601  
Thursday, November 18, 2021

**Call to Order**

The Warrick County Solid Waste Management District Regular Session Meeting was called to order at 12:02 PM by President Terry Phillippe.

**Roll Call**

Roll Call showed the following voting members present: President Terry Phillippe, Jim Miller, Dan Saylor, Greg Richmond, Charlie Wyatt, and Ron Whitledge. Bob Johnson was present by conference call. Also present were: Attorney Adam Long, Reagan Opperman, Michele Wallace, Freddie Rowland, and Kristine Georges.

**Public Comment**

There was no Public Comment.

**Minutes – October 21, 2021**

The minutes from the October 21, 2021 meeting were presented to the Board. Charlie Wyatt made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Jim Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

**Controller's Report**

- The District ended the month of October with a balance of two million four hundred eighty-six thousand three hundred twelve dollars and ninety-eight cents (\$2,486,312.98).
- The December meeting being moved up to December 9<sup>th</sup> was discussed. Most were good to meet on December 16<sup>th</sup>, so the meeting will remain on the third Thursday of the month for December.
- Ms . Opperman asked about electing new officers for the new year. This will be done at the first meeting in January.
- The Salary Ordinance will be presented at the December 16, 2021 meeting.
- The current contract for the services of the Warrick County HR Manager, Heather Soberg, will need to be renewed and will also be taken care of in the December meeting.

**Approval of Claims**

- Claims in the amount of one hundred forty-nine thousand three hundred ninety-five dollars and sixteen cents (\$149,395.16) were presented. Greg Richmond made the motion to approve the claims for payment. Dan Saylor seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.
- Dan Saylor questioned a claim for a seat at \$1,120.00. It was explained that this invoice also included new forks for the forklift as well as a replacement seat.

**Operations Foreman's Report**

Michele Wallace presented the Operation Foreman's Report

- Paper Shredding Event – The event was not as successful as the spring event, but they still took in 5,000 lbs of paper.
- Shingles Recycling Program – The report from IDEM was good.
- Casey Road Fence – The fence is up. They have scheduled to finish the installation of the gate opener.
- Holiday Closures – Ms. Wallace went over the holiday closures for the facilities. They will end up being closed two weekends in a row. The Board wanted to make sure this was well advertised for the public.
- Maintenance Position – An individual has been hired for the maintenance position. They do not have their CDL, but they plan on getting it.
- Truck Driver Position Update – Ms. Wallace would like the truck driver position's salary to be brought up to the same pay as the maintenance position. President Phillippe stated he would like to compare this with the Highway Department. Ms. Opperman will prepare the change to present for possible passage at the next meeting. Currently, the truck driver position is still open.
- Current Wages – All wages will be going up \$1.00 an hour in pay for 2022. It was expressed paralleling some of the wages of the County should be considered.
- Brewer/Mulching – President Phillippe has not had an opportunity to talk to them. They are supposed to do the grinding as a one-time deal for 2021. A more long term solution will be sought for 2022 and beyond.

**Processing Center Foreman's Report**

Freddie Rowland presented the Processing Center Foreman's Report.

- Contamination – Contamination is down. They are getting more materials from their partners. With the start of the transfer station, it took forty-five days to fill the container. This is a significant decrease at a cost of just \$107.82.
- Revenue – Revenue has been very good. Plastics are up. Cardboard is going down.
- Skid Steer – The current skid steer is seven years old. It was having an issue with the hydraulics. It has been fixed and the cost was \$5,000.00. Mr. Rowland stated that he may need to look at getting a new one. Dan Saylor asked about having a replacement spreadsheet for all their equipment. Mr. Rowland presented Mr. Saylor with a spreadsheet for him to review. It is currently not in the budget to replace the skid steer.
- Fire Marshal Inspection – The Fire Marshal came for an inspection. There were only minor issues and all have been corrected.
- BNG – The motherboard is not working. The part has been ordered.
- Express Contract – There was an increase in the contract to 36%. Mr. Rowland called Express to question the increase. The current contract was for 34%, but there was some questions as to signatures and all the increases that Express was experiencing themselves. It is also coming under new ownership. After discussion, she agreed to 35%, however, this is not in the budget for next

year. Attorney Long will get with Mr. Rowland and go over the contract. Since there are now new owners, this will be a good time to get this done.

- Processing Center Statistics – To date fifteen million pounds have been processed.
- IDEM Permit Update – About three or four weeks ago, Jordan Aigner got everything together in a packet and sent it to IDEM. They are just waiting to hear back from the IDEM review.

#### **Attorney's Report**

- Coonrod Proposal – Attorney Long reached out to both Baker Tilly and Coonrod. Baker Tilly didn't respond back. Coonrod submitted their proposal and were very thorough and extremely responsive. They propose to come in and find the savings on a restructuring for automation. The cost will not exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00). Greg Richmond found an error in the contract and the correction was made changing "city" to "district." Dan Saylor made the motion to approve the Coonrod Proposal and to have President Terry Phillippe sign the paperwork. Greg Richmond seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.
- Automation Project - After the figures are presented by Coonrod, the numbers will be given to BLN to plug in. It was requested by members of the Board that Bob Johnson be closely involved with this process involving the automation.

#### **Any Other Business that Properly Comes Before the Board**

Labor Day Association Request – The District received a request from the Labor Day Association to provide two to three dumpsters and waste disposal services for the annual Labor Day Celebration in September, 2022. Dan Saylor made the motion to provide the services and dumpsters. Charlie Wyatt seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

#### **Adjournment**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, December 16, 2021 at 12:00 PM in the Commissioners' meeting room. Dan Saylor made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Greg Richmond seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 12:55 PM.

*Respectfully Submitted by Kristine Georges*



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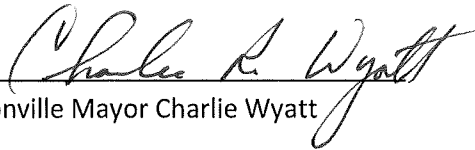
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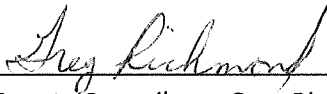
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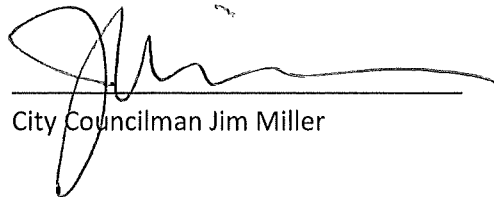
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Commissioner Dan Saylor, Secretary

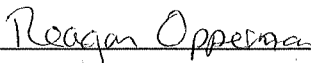
  
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Chandler Town Councilman Ron Whittleledge

  
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Boonville Mayor Charlie Wyatt

  
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County Councilman Greg Richmond

  
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City Councilman Jim Miller

ATTEST:

  
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Reagan Opperman, Controller