Solid Waste Board Minutes

Park County, Montana March 19, 2015

Attendance: Solid Waste Board (SWB) members Mike Fanning, John Kaiser, Bert Otis, Kerry Fee, Ernie MacCracken, Parks Frady, Public Works; Commissioner Clint Tinsley

Call to Order: 1:00 p.m.; City-County Complex East Room

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Review of Minutes: December 2014 minutes were reviewed Bert Otis made the motion to accept the minutes as written, Ernie MacCracken seconded the motion. Motion was passed.

February 19, 2015 minutes were reviewed and Michael Fanning made the motion to accept the minutes, Bert Otis seconded the motion. Motion was passed.

Review/Decide on Landowner Refuse Assessment Requests: None

Department Reports

Public Works Director:

Parks gave the board an update on refuse along with a written update and report of collections. He went through the report and discussed the sites, collections and issues the sites may be having. There was also discussion of the Gardiner Green box site as well as the landfill, tires at the landfill and the landfill closure. There was more discussion.

Commissioner Report:

Commissioner Tinsley spoke about the budget and Secure Rural Schools funding being cut completely and it being a big hit to the County. There was more discussion on this.

Old Business

All Old Business topics discussed during Public Works Director Report.

Discussion/Decision on Gardiner Collection Site Improvements Update

This was discussed during the public works department reports.

Discussion/Decision on Landfill Closure & Junk Vehicle Storage/Compost Update This was discussed during the public works department reports.

Discussion/Decision on Trail Creek Collection Site Weekend Collection Schedule Update Parks Frady said starting in April that the refuse department will start hitting that site again on Saturdays.

Discussion/Decision on Overview of Phoenix Renewable Technologies Presentation

Commissioner Tinsley said that three people showed up to represent their firm and it basically take garbage waste and turn it into renewable diesel fuel, they also make energy and electricity too but the specialty is diesel fuels. Clint and the board continued on with the overview in regards to the presentation.

Discussion/Decision on Chico Collection Site

Bert Otis said it looks good but it would be nice to get that back fence put up. Eagle fence gave a quote for the Chico site fence and some of the fencing from Gardiner will be able to be used for the Chico site. Parks had the road crew do some site work at Chico putting some things back together as well. The refuse used by Chico was more than what was being assessed and the adjustment has been made with that as well. There was more conversation in regards to this.

New Business

Discussion/Decision in regards to Neads, Fleshmen Creek and Forest Service Collection Sites

The discussion was about possibly putting some hours up for the Neads, Fleshman Creek and Forest Service sites. John Kaiser said that he thinks there needs to be some serious talk about the sites like these around town and whether they get eliminated or have set hours placed on them, something better than what we are currently doing. He knows that whatever is finally decided that there will be some complaining. Commissioner Tinsley said that once upon a time the Neads and Forest Service sites use to be walk in only. There was more discussion on this, the abuse of the sites and discussion of solution.

Other discussion items:

Discussion of the next agenda such as budget, recycle update, continuing talk of the Neads, Fleshman Creek and Forest Service sites.

Public Comment: No public present

Next Meeting Date: April 16th @ 1:00 p.m.

Adjournment: 3:15 p.m.