



Josephine County

Solid Waste Agency

**JOSEPHINE COUNTY / CITY OF GRANTS PASS
SOLID WASTE AGENCY
MEETING MINUTES
January 15, 2019**

Meeting convened at 3:00 p.m.

Agency Board Members Present:

Rob Brandes
Lora Glover
Justin Fimbres
Connie Roach (arrived 3:02 p.m.)
Wade Elliott
Rick Riker
Travis Robbins

Agency Board Members Absent:

none

Others: Trent Carpenter, Southern Oregon Sanitation
Don Moss, Republic Services
Nick Fahey, Southern Oregon Sanitation
Chris Wilson, Republic Services
Rachel Menisi, Republic Services
Roy Lindsay, GP Mayor
Cathy Brown, Oregon DEQ

Staff: Jason Canady, Operations Officer
Linda Gay, Minute Recorder

Rob Brandes called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. There was a quorum, so the meeting proceeded.

1. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair (00:14-01:46)

Lora Glover made a motion to elect Rob Brandes for Chair of the Solid Waste Agency for the next year. Rick Riker seconded the motion. Motion approved 6-0. Lora Glover made a motion to elect Wade Elliott for Vice-Chair of the Solid Waste Agency for the next year. Rob Brandes seconded the motion. Motion approved 6-0.

2. Approval of minutes from November 20, 2018 meeting. (01:56-02:42)

Lora Glover made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from November 20, 2018. Wade Elliott seconded the motion. Motion approved 7-0.

3. Adoption of Revised FY19 Budget Resolution 038-SW-Revised (02:44-04:04)

Resolution 038-SW had the incorrect fiscal year representing the appropriations, July 1, 2017 was listed and should have been July 1, 2018, for fiscal year 2019. Rick Riker made a motion to adopt the FY19 Budget Resolution 038-SW-Revised. Connie Roach seconded the motion. Motion approved 7-0.

4. HHW Presentation from Republic Services – Don Moss (04:06-31:47)

Don Moss gave a presentation on the Hazardous Household Waste Event that was held at Republic Services in October 2018 at their site on Washington Blvd.

- 505 vehicles (54% were Republic customers, 45% SOS, 1% other)
- 54 cu yds paint
- 113 flammable and toxic 55-gallon drums
- 10 yards of electronic waste recycled

Don stated that paint and resins was the largest collected items at the event. There was a discussion that paint is not usually collected at these events because of the pre-paid Paint Care program (est. July 2010). Don said event goers that brought in paint and resins said that the paint stores would not take back the paint. Most paint stores do not have the space allocated for collection and do not have a regular pick-up service, so they fill up quickly. Since this was Don's first HHW event he was not aware that paint should not be collected

Don would like to use Safety Clean for next year's event and believes that they will work with Paint Care to accept paint. Clean Harbors has hosted the event for several years here.

There was a suggestion to hold the event next year at the Josephine County Fairgrounds. Jason will contact the Fairgrounds and find out the cost of holding the fall event there.

Jason is going to research Paint Care and Cathy Brown, DEQ will find a contact that oversees the non-profit group Paint Care. The agency may be interested in writing a letter to DEQ regarding the problems with recycling the paint cans.

5. DEQ – Cathy Brown

- **Opportunity to Recycle Reporting (31:48-33:28)**

The Opportunity to Recycle report is due late January 2019 and Cathy is on the team to evaluate the recycling crisis that impacted the City of Grants Pass' recycling efforts in 2018. She will work with Justin on the report.

- **DEQ grant recipient for Grants Pass (33:32-34:54)**

Heartwood resources received a DEQ grant to open a warehouse in Grants Pass for their reuse materials. Rob had sent a second letter of support them on behalf of the SWA Board.

6. Managing Agency Items – Jason Canady

- **HHW Billing and a Future Cap (35:04-40:00)**

The HHW event for 2018's invoice to the Solid Waste Agency was \$32,413.04, that was almost double the amount from prior years. The line item was budgeted at \$22,000.00 and the invoice was substantially higher. Jason stated there is money in the fund but wanted the Board's approval for this significantly higher bill. Lora Glover made a motion to approve the HHW invoice of \$32,413.04. Connie Roach seconded the motion. Motion approved 7-0.

Jason wanted to see if the Board would be interested in adopting a limit for the HHW event that the SWA would pay. In the past, minutes have reflected there was a cap of \$30,000. The Board decided not to use a cap, but to decline paint intake at future events.

- **Franchise Agreements Status (40:01-44:32)**

Updates and final draft are done with SOS. Jason still needs to meet with Republic Services to finalize and approve the draft. Once completed the final revision will be presented to the Board and then given to City Council for adoption. Cave Junction needs to review their agreement also. Trent asked if the Kerby Landfill will be in the agreement to match up with the other two transfer stations, Jason took that under advisement.

- **Request for Project Ideas FY20 (44:33-48:47)**

Jason asked if there were any new projects for the FY20 to let him know so he can put them in the budget.

Rob would like to see the board keep a certain amount of funding in the SWA budget, so we will have enough to cover any environmental emergency. Jason stated that why the Environmental Liability Fund was created, but it would be good to have a policy in place.

7. Other Business

- Budget Committee Applications - **(48:51-53:04)**

1. Steven Rich, Connie Roach made a motion to approve Steven Rich on the SWA Budget Committee. Rick Riker seconded the motion. Motion approved 7-0.
2. Stephen Haydon, Connie Roach made a motion to approve Stephen Haydon on the SWA Budget Committee. Connie Roach seconded the motion. Motion approved 7-0.

3. A third position is still open.

8. Agenda building for, February 19, 2019 (55:32-57:40)

- Franchise Agreements update
- Results of Paint Care contacts, discussion and draft action letter to DEQ
- Update for the JOCO Program and County Code Enforcement
- SWA projects to be added to the budget
- Approving the final Budget Committee member

9. Adjournment (57:42)

Meeting adjourned 3:58 p.m.

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