JOSEPHINE COUNTY / CITY OF GRANTS PASS
SOLID WASTE AGENCY
MEETING MINUTES
January 18, 2022

Agency Board Members Present:
Rob Brandes - Chair
Rick Riker - Vice Chair
Wade Elliott
Connie Roach
Justin Fimbres
Brad Clark

Others:
Nick Fahey, Southern Oregon Sanitation
Trent Carpenter, Southern Oregon Sanitation
Chris Wilson, Republic Services
Julie Jackson, Republic Services
Garry Penning, Rogue Disposal
Laura Leebrock, Rogue Disposal
Terri Carrier, Josephine County
Cathy Brown, DEQ

Agency Board Members Absent:
Steve Bethke
Eric Larsen
Kyrrha Sevco

Staff: Jason Canady, Operations Officer
       Wendy Higgins, Minute Recorder

1. Introductions (00:01-1:58, 2:09 - 4:01)
   a. Chair Brandes opened the meeting at 3:03 and took roll.
   b. Retirement of Member Roach of 7+ years and Introduction of Wally Hicks, Josephine County
      Legal Counsel new board member.

2. Public Comment (1:59 - 2:09)
   a. None

3. Approval of Minutes: November 16, 2021 (4:11 - 5:08)

   MOTION
   Member Roach moved, and Member Clark seconded the motion to approve minutes
   from November 16, 2021. The vote resulted as follows:  AYES: Chair Brandes, Vice-
Chair Riker, and Members Fimbres and Roach. NAYS: None. Absent: Steve Bethke,
Kyrrha Sevco. The motion passed.

4. Action Items (5:57 – 21:11)
   a. City of Grants Pass Community Service Code Enforcement – Lt. Mike Miner, presented a
      $45,000 funding request for cleanup of solid waste and other related violations. Last year's
      expenditure was a little lower due to more leniency and COVID conditions. Pictures of
      problem properties are included in the handout mentioned by the speaker. There are 4-6
homes they hope to tackle this year in the cleanup. The process will be very expensive due to extensive clean-up of trash, human waste, spoiled food, and other debris. Storage of personal property of up to 30-days is also becoming an issue. Lt. Miner requested a 2-year funding request of $45,000 per year with semi-annual reports.

MOTION

Member Roach moved, and Vice-Chair Riker seconded the motion to approve the Grants Pass Code Enforcement funding request for two years with an annual report midway through. The vote resulted as follows: AYES: Chair Brandes, Vice-Chair Riker, Members Fimbres, Clark, Elliott, and Roach. NAYS: None. Absent: Steve Bethke and Kyr rhia Sevco. The motion passed unanimously.

b. Last two-quarters of payments have not been made to Code Enforcement due to no approved funding request. Board discussed making up those payments totaling $22,500.

MOTION

Vice-Chair Riker moved, and Member Roach seconded the motion to approve two catch-up payments totaling $22,500 to the Grants Pass Code Enforcement. The vote resulted as follows: AYES: Chair Brandes, Vice-Chair Riker, Members Fimbres, Clark, Elliott, and Roach. NAYS: None. Absent: Steve Bethke and Kyr rhia Sevco. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Matters from Agency Board and Staff (21:40 – 47:22)
   a. Agency Board Items
      • Final Accounting on J Street – final bill of $50,693.77 presented to the board for review.
      • e-Waste Recycling – Trent Carpenter of SOS informed the board of the removal of their site along with Rogue Disposal in the e-waste recycling program. The possible impact on the haulers, County, City, and surrounding areas was discussed. Due to short notice, it was requested that the haulers relay the SWA is extremely concerned by this action as the agency and haulers have spent the last 15 years educating the public on appropriately disposing of e-waste and they (DEQ) are undercutting that process.
      • PaintCare – presented flyer of last year’s numbers, additional sites added, and overall, no negative feedback on the program. Promote the Cave Junction event by placing an advertisement.
   
   b. Managing Agency Items (47:25 – 51:45)
      • Illinois Valley Resources – inadequate audit trail concern was presented by Jason and requested that a more structured plan be put in place to ensure a proper audit trail with Laura Mancuso.
      • Spring 2022 Flyer – presented by Jason with the request of any additional events to be added. Board requested PaintCare sites to be listed on the Spring flyer.

6. Agenda building for February 15, 2022 – nothing currently

7. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned 3:58 p.m.