



Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government Solid Waste Management District

600 Meriwether Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky 40217

Robert Schindler
Board Chair

Keith Hackett
Executive Director

August 26, 2020 109 Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting was conducted video teleconference

This meeting was conducted in accord with the Kentucky Open Meetings Act, including, but not limited to, KRS 61.826.

Welcome and call to order: Chairman Schindler called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm.

Attendance: Robert Schindler, Debra Thompson, Mary Rose Evans, Robert Lee, Susan Hart. Staff: Peter Ervin, Keith Hackett, Amy Axsom, Karen Maynard, Diane Moon, Robert Lush, Whitney Wood, and Pete Flood.

Approval of Minutes: August 5, 2020

Motion made by Mary Rose Evans, Seconded by Debra Thompson. Motion passed.

Correspondence:

1. CY 19 Illegal Open Dump Final Report Acceptance letter from State. Pete Flood presented the letter to the Board members and gave a summary of expenses via PowerPoint. Questions centered on if the site was complete (yes) and secure to prevent further dumping (yes), and the status of the foreclosure. Mr. Flood said the sale of the property was held recently but he did not know the results or if there would be any recovery of funds.

Budget Report

1. No Expense Report.

Action Items

1. Approval for purchase of Ford F-450 Stake Body Flat Bed with Lift Gate

Pete Flood presented a quote for the vehicle and why staff recommended purchasing it. The vehicle we have now is rented for \$990 per month and paid for out of the litter abatement funds. Staff would like to utilize the vehicle for latex paint or other tasks and to use the savings from the litter fund to pay for more cleanup along the roadways. Concerns were mentioned that included whether the district take on the expense vs letting litter grant funds pay for it. The consensus after discussion was it was a single year expense and from that point further the money of the grant could be used for more cleaning. Motion to approve purchase was made by Mary Rose Evans. Seconded by Mary Susan Hart. Motion passed.

2. Approval for purchase of 2020 Escape Hybrid (Adjusted Price)

Mr. Flood stated the previous vote for the vehicle at \$21,900 would need to be reapproved due to a change in cost. The previous amount was for a 2019 and the quote had expired. The new price was \$26,979 and was still much better than the original \$32,000 and only slightly more than a non-hybrid vehicle. Motion to approve purchase at \$26,979 was made by Mary Rose Evans. Seconded by Debra Thompson. Motion passed.

3. Adoption of CY 20 Litter Abatement Grant budget

Mr. Flood presented a revised budget via PowerPoint presentation. The only change was to the Brightside cost which was \$21,000 less. Those funds were transferred to the personnel cost center to do more cleanups. The Contractual Services amount would stay the same and once the Stake Bed truck was purchased, any excess

would go to litter collection (Personnel Services). Mr. Flood explained the State Local Assistance Branch where the grant comes from, would not give official guidance on the issue other than quoting and that we should follow KRS on allowable expenditures. Keith Hackett said he had contacted the local transportation cabinet office and was told we would be able to pay the vendor directly instead of going through the state DOT. This should alleviate any concerns of the Local Assistance Branch about this expenditure. We would still need to use the state contract rate. Motion to approve as presented was made by Debra Thompson. Seconded by Mary Susan Hart. Motion passed.

4. Approval of MOA between District and Brightside for Litter funds

Mr. Flood presented the proposed budget request from Brightside. The amount was substantially less due to the spring community-wide cleanup being cancelled because of Covid-19. Chairman Schindler wanted to know if we were getting the required documentation listed in #4 of the agreement. Mr. Flood stated for the most part yes but there has always been difficulty getting volunteers to complete their form showing streets clean and number of volunteers. Chairman Schindler requested that in the future the Board receive those items as part of the Annual Report. Motion to approve as presented was made by Mary Rose Evans. Seconded by Debra Thompson. Motion passed.

5. Approval of funds to resurface Hubbard's Lane Recycling Center

Mr. Flood described the surface conditions at the site showing images taken via PowerPoint. He described the condition as very poor having concerns about safety due to broken concrete. He showed two quotes from the cities contractor with one doing more extensive milling work to address reflective cracking from using the existing concrete base. The second quote would use a fiber in the asphalt mix to prevent reflective cracking. The staff recommended the second quote as it was about \$20,000 cheaper. Some cost may be offset by using public works staff to install speedbumps and grading of gravel areas. Mary Rose Evans asked if the site was going to remain Metro property. Chairman Schindler gave a history of the location going back to 1920's or 30's and stated the ownership is not likely to change. Mr. Flood stated the changes needed to be done one way or the other as the conditions were bad. Motion to approve \$81,000 for purchase was made by Mary Susan Hart. Seconded by Debra Thompson. Motion passed.

Old Business

1. Passage of LMCO Chapter 51 by Metro Council: Mr. Flood told the Board the ordinance had passed Metro Council on a unanimous vote and the staff was working to do outreach and education on the changes before implementing.

New Business

1. **CY 19 Annual Report Statistics Summary**. Mr. Flood presented statistics: Residential/Commercial Recycling Rate, Overall Recycling Rate, Curbside Recycling Rate, and Variable Rate Pricing via PowerPoint Presentation. No questions were asked by the Board. No board action taken or required.
2. **Potential Fund Request from WMD for Carts**. Mr. Flood presented information from the Recycling Partnership and the potential of receiving over \$1,000,000 in grant funds to help Metro distribute recycling carts over a three-year period. He laid out Metro funding and the potential funding shortfall of over \$300,000 in the first year. He explained this was not a request of the Board at this time but wanted to touch base in case there was a shortfall. Some questions were asked about the partnership and who they were. Mr. Flood stated he would send a link to the organizations website for board members to review. No board action taken or required.

Advisory Committee Report

1. No Report: Mr. Flood and Chairman Burrow explained the terms of all but two members had expired during the pandemic. The committee members would need to be contacted to see if they would continue to serve and to get a commitment to participate.

Staff Report

1. Education Report: Karen Maynard gave the report via PowerPoint.
 - a. The “Know Waste” Webinar Series of 5 topics. The total participants and views made this a success and she hoped to continue to use these and create more in the future. All videos were on the Website as links to YouTube videos.
 - b. Second topic was the “Recycle Right” program or Oop’s tag program. Karen showed statistics of three pre-audit pilots each with specific challenges we may face in the long term. The pre-audits tracked recycling participation and violation types. Next steps were listed to include Metro Council notification, waste audits, letters and types of tags.
 - c. The final part of the education report was on what had been called the “Master Recycler” Program. Karen had renamed it to “Know Waste Ambassador” program to reflect the full range of topics such as waste disposal and composting along with recycling.
2. Enforcement and Licensing Report: Mr. Robert Lush presented the enforcement report.
 - a. Reported results of the recent licensing of facilities. In all, 74 licenses were issued with two citations for failure to license.
 - b. He then reported on purchasing an additional 55-60 surveillance cameras and the hiring of another enforcement officer to maintain them full time. These were being funded with extra money approved by the Metro Council in the last budget cycle.

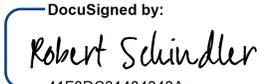
Announcements

1. Next Advisory Committee Meeting: TBD
2. Next 109 Board Meeting: This was decided to continue with the next normal date which would be September 23, 2020.

Adjournment

1. Meeting was adjourned at 7:18 pm

Minutes Approved:

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109 Board Chair	Date