

**MINUTES OF THE DECATUR COUNTY  
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD**

Tuesday May 24, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting of the Decatur County Solid Waste Management District Board was called to order by Chairman John Richards on Tuesday, May 24, 2016 at 6:00P.M. at the Decatur County Solid Waste Office at 315 S Ireland St, Greensburg, IN 47240

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** City Councilman Darren Covington, Westport Town Council Joyce Brindley, County Commissioner John Richards, County Commissioner Jerome Buening, Mayor Dan Manus, County Commissioner Rick Nobbe.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** County Councilman Kenny Hooten

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Executive Director Brittani Saunders, Jay Hull of Best Way Disposal

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES & MAY 2016 CLAIMS:** Rick Nobbe made a motion to approve April 2016 Minutes and May 2016 claims. Mayor Dan Manus seconded and the motion carried.

**EDUCATION/DIRECTORS UPDATE:**

Brittani let the board know that the Rain Barrel workshop was a huge success. Jeff Hermes of Purdue Extension gave a nice presentation and then those signed up were able to make their rain barrels to take home. We plan to do another one later this year.

Brittani also let the board know that she attended Internal Compliance training in Indianapolis. Our internal controls must be in place by December 2016. Brittani will be showing a 30-minute video that everyone has to watch and will have a resolution to be approved by June 30th. Brittani will be speaking with Drew Young, County Attorney, about what needs to be included in the resolution.

Brittani also went over the 2016-2017 Yard Waste contract. Last year's contract was updated with language to require our yard waste contract holder to be certified with IDEM. This seems to be working well and IDEM does periodic checks on our current contract holder, Leising Excavating. Darren Covington made a motion to keep the contract the same with Jerome Buening seconding the motion. The motion carried.

Brittani also let the board know that the Association of Solid Waste Management Districts has been working with the Governors assistant, Dan Shultz, as well as a number of people representing the recycling industry about the issues in recycling TV's. Recycling the older tube style monitors has become increasingly hard and at this time we are trying to work together to come up with new ideas to make it easier and more cost effective. Currently our district is using Shares who is still able to accept monitors but is charging us \$10.00 per monitor. At this time the Association of Solid Waste Mgt District is not worried about who will take the monitors to recycle, but they are worried about the costs that will be involved if the market does not change.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** Rick Nobbe let us know that he spoke with Alan Kohrman who is the attorney over the old American Lifts property. They have decreased the price to \$450,000 for 12 acres. Rick is going to call the attorney to see if it would be possible to go through the property since the police department has an emergency key. Nobbe spoke about having several agencies at the location and Jerome Buening agreed someone should take advantage of the opportunity.

Joyce let the board know that the electronic recycling event in Westport went very well. They had a great turn out and the truck was nearly full. The community of Westport appreciates having the electronic recycling event in their community.

Mayor Manus let the board know that the fence behind the recycling bins would need to be moved due to the road that sits directly behind the bins. This road will be used as an emergency route for the new fire department located by the street department. The Mayor will let us know when this will need to be done.

Mayor Manus also expressed his interest in having 96 gallon carts for trash and recycling in the city of Greensburg. This is due in part to safety concerns and also to help with litter blowing out. Brittani has been working with the Mayor on getting pricing to see if it is something that can be afforded by the City or Solid Waste. Rick Nobbe made mention of just putting lids on our current recycling bins to help with recycling blowing out instead of spending several hundred thousand on new carts. There were no decisions made at this time.

**Other Public Comment:** Nothing at this time.

**ADJOURN:** Next board meeting July 26, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. Jerome Buening made a motion to adjourn with Rick Nobbe seconding and the motion carried.

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John Richards, Chairman

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Brittani Saunders, Attest