## MINUTES OF THE DECATUR COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD

Tuesday, May 23, 2017

The meeting of the Decatur County Solid Waste Management District Board was called to order by Chairman Jerome Buening on Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at 6:00 P.M. at the Decatur County Solid Waste Management District Office.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Commissioner Mark Koors, Commissioner Jerome Buening, Mayor Dan Manus, County Commissioner Rick Nobbe.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** City Councilman Darren Covington, Westport Town Council Joyce Brindley, County Councilman Kenny Hooten,

OTHERS PRESENT: Jay Hull and Mark Fixmer of Best Way Disposal & District Director Brittani Saunders

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by Rick Nobbe to approve minutes of March 2017 meeting.** Dan Manus seconded and the motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: Motion was made by Mark Koors to approve April and May 2017 Claims.** Dan Manus seconded and the motion carried.

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Brittani Saunders

Our Caps to Benches program has become a prominent program in Decatur County. There are more and more organizations and groups wanting to have a bench made. Due to the \$250 cost, Brittani asked the board if they would like to continue paying this fee for all those wanting to do the caps to benches program. Rick Nobbe made a motion to pay the \$250 as long as the bench is donated to the community such as a local park or community center. Mark Koors seconded the motion. Our annual Day Camp will be on June 13<sup>th</sup>. Purdue Extension and Soil & Water are continuing to be our partners in this day camp. We hope to have another great turnout and will be having a reptile program this year for the children. Lunch is provided by the YMCA free lunch program.

Electronic Recycling for 2017 is over 30 tons. Last year we only had 13.87 tons at this point in the year. Our costs are significantly lower for electronics due to our new service provider, Greenwave Computer Recycling.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Yard waste for 2017-2018 will be up for renewal in July. Brittani asked the board if they would like to make any changes. Rick Nobbe made motion to use the same contract information and Mayor Dan Manus seconded the motion, the motion carried. Our permanent site in Greensburg has become a constant dumping ground for tires, TV's, and trash of all types. Brittani would like to put a new sign and clean up the location. She is also working on trying to receive new camera quotes as the cameras have not been working properly.

Curbside Recycling: Mark Fixmer of Best Way presented to the board a 3-year contract with no price increase. Each resident would have the opportunity to receive a 96-gallon recycling cart. Pick up of recyclables will go to every other week due to the size. The city of Franklin, Indiana doubled in participation by going from the 18-gallon bin to 96-gallon cart. All feedback, literature, and delivery of carts will be done through Best Way and Rehrig Pacific. Best Way is currently paying approximately \$28/ton. Mark Koors made a motion to enter into 3-year contract with Best Way to provide 96-gallon carts at no extra cost per month. Rick Nobbe seconded the motion and motion carried.

## **OTHER COMMENT:**

Jay Hull let the board know that we need to find 2 new members for our CAC. He also let the board know that we only had one scholarship presented this year at Greensburg High School. Brittani asked the board if there were any changes we would like to make to our scholarship. The board asked for it to be tabled until December or January.

Motion was made by Rick Nobbe to adjourn the May meeting. Mark Koors seconded and the motion carried.

Jerome Buening, Chairman

Brittani Saunders, Attest