H.E.W. & Solid Waste Committee Meeting

March 10, 2009

Tentative Minutes

1) Call to Order: In the absence of Chairman Bauer, Vice-Chairman Dorothy Bowers called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Present: Fred Horner, Lynne Kilker, Jim Barnes and Dan Janes. Others: Ed Rice, Health Dept. Administrator Doreen O'Brien, Solid Waste Director Steve Rypkema, ROE Superintendent Amy Jo Clemens, Dr. Champley with Animal Control, Bob DeArvil and Bobbie Colbert. Absent: Jason Bauer and Dennis Williams.

2) Approval of Minutes: February 10, 2009: Motion by Kilker, 2nd by Barnes to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

3) Public Comment: None

4) Health Department:
   a) Monthly Report: Everything is on target; expenses are at 23.55% with income at 27.95%.

   b) Kings Sewer Update: 75% of income surveys were returned and being processed, the Township officials have met with Fehr-Graham & Associates and will be meeting with Willett Hofman & Associates, so things are moving along.

5) Regional Office of Education:
   a) Monthly Invoices: Motion by Janes, 2nd by Horner to approve the bills in the amount of $938.88. Motion carried.

   b) Quarterly Report: Superintendent Clemens distributed a copy of the 1st and 2nd quarter Official On-site Visitations to Regional Schools. She also distributed a copy of year to date expense report.

6) Solid Waste Department:
   a) Monthly Invoices: Motion by Kilker, 2nd by Barnes to approve the bills in the amount of $26,749.96. Motion carried.

   b) Financial Report: Everything looks good; expenses are at 20% with income at 34.82%.

   c) Waste Reduction / Recycling Grant Applications: Motion by Barnes, 2nd by Horner to approve Oregon CUSD 220 request for recycling containers up to $2,000. Motion carried. Motion by Kilker, 2nd by Barnes to approve Byron CUSD 226 request for indoor and outdoor recycling containers up to $2,000. Motion carried.

   d) Clean-up Day Grant Applications: Motion by Janes, 2nd by Horner to approve City of Rochelle request not to exceed $2,000. Motion carried.

   e) Rochelle Host Agreement: Solid Waste Director Rypkema briefly updated the Committee on the status. He distributed a copy of a letter that he and two other county solid waste directors sent to the IEPA in February seeking interpretation of their policy regarding solid waste fee exemptions. No response has been received yet. He stated that he has been working with Ben Roe and Scott Robinson to come up with options for responding to the December 2, 2008 letter from John Holmstrom, attorney for Rochelle Waste Disposal, requesting an exemption from host fees for shredded construction or demolition debris waste which come from recycling facilities in the Chicago area. A meeting to discuss the options will

be set up soon with Roe, Robinson, Bauer, Hopkins, and Rypkema. This issue is important because it could also have an impact on the host fees collected at the Orchard Hills Landfill.

f) Proposed State Legislation: Solid Waste Director Rypkema distributed a copy of a list of bills pending State approval, 2 could possibly have an impact on the assessment of state and local solid waste fees and host fees.

g) CPI Adjustments to Host Fee Rates: Rypkema distributed copies of letters to both landfill companies with adjustments to the host fee rates for each site, base on the change in Consumer Price Index for the previous year. The Rochelle Landfill rates remained the same as 2008, and the Veolia Orchard Hills Landfill rates declined slightly.

h) Nuisance Ordinance: Rypkema mentioned that Mike Reibel, Myron Richter, Doreen O'Brien and he are beginning to work on revising and updating the Nuisance Ordinance, which has not been updated in many years.

7) New Business / Appointment Application Interview Process: Kilker distributed a copy of some interview questions asked in various appointment interviews and asks for the Committee's input next month.

8) Animal Control:
   a) Monthly Invoices: Motion by Kilker, 2nd by Barnes to approve the Animal Control bills in the amount of $10,115.59. Motion carried.

      Motion by Horner, 2nd by Janes to approve the Pet Population bills in the amount of $3,984.27. Motion carried.

9) Old Business: None

10) Adjournment: No further business was before the Committee; Vice-Chairman Bowers declared the meeting adjourned. Time: 5:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Tiffany O'Brien