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## Madison County Solid Waste and Recycling Board Minutes

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### Solid Waste & Recycling Board Meeting Thursday March 23, 2023 ~ 1:15 P.M., Madison County Upstairs Public Meeting Room 103 West Wallace, Virginia City

On Thursday March 23, 2023, a meeting of the Madison County Solid Waste & Recycling Board came to order at 1:15 pm in the Madison County upstairs Public Meeting Room. Members present: Jim Kleis, Sarris Marsh, and Steve Primm. Vern Karnath participated via Webex.

Others present: Guy Buyan, Solid Waste Foreman, Jani Flinn, Solid Waste Clerk, and Van Puckett, Environmental Health Director.

1. **Review Minutes of the October 27, 2022 meeting:** Steve moved to approve with corrections, Rodney second, all aye.
2. **Public Discussion/Comments:** A copy of the Landfill/Container site Map was distributed to all Members to keep everyone informed. Madison County currently has 10 Container Sites and 2 Landfills.
3. **Election of Chairman.** After discussion, the Board agreed and Sarris made a motion to have Steve Primm take over as Chairman of the Board. Jim seconded and all voted aye. Steve Primm moved to have Sarris Marsh remain as Vice Chair. Jim Kleis seconded and all voted aye.
4. **Daphne Puckett, GMA – recycling.** GMA is working on an idea to use plastic recycling. They were unable to attend the meeting, so the topic will be tabled until they contact us.
5. **Request for solid waste removal:**
  - **Goggins.** Property is charged for 4 buildings. No one lives in the main house, so they are requesting a refund. The Board discussed the difference between “unlived in” and “unlivable”. No refund will be given.
  - **Woodward.** There are no buildings on the property. Treasurer has taken it off the 2022 bill, and 3 years will be refunded: 2019, 2020, and 2021, for a total of \$434.00. We will notify DOR to correct this.
6. **Chad Thompson, Midwest Assistance Program, and Blue Ridge Services comparison** was discussed. Chad represents the Midwest Assistance Program for rural communities and they can assist in finding funding and support for Solid Waste projects and equipment. Blue Ridge

Services, was referred by DPHHS, Fred Collins. They analyze existing solid waste operations and provide input on cost savings and operations. Both would be beneficial, but will require a decision and agreement with the Board of Commissioners on how to move forward. No action taken.

**7. Guy Buyan, Solid Waste Foreman:**

- a. **Bear Container Update:** The Pony main control panel needs to be separated for safety issue and will be done this spring. Palisades has two new pumps; working OK. Still need to determine what's needed at Norris site. Ideas were discussed including closing and/or moving,
- b. **Trailer purchase.** The trailer has been ordered and we will get approval to pay ½ from Junk Vehicle budget.
- c. **Garage Door repairs:** Almost done. Still waiting on tighter seal at bottom.
- d. **Hours and staffing:** Total of 6 employees now – half in Twin and half in Ennis.  
Discussion on hiring CDL vs. non-CDL. Jim Kleis moved to advertise for another part time person for manned sites with optional CDL. Sarris seconded, all voted aye.

**8. Budget:** Copies of the current budget were distributed for review. Discussion included Enterprise Fund, adding ½ employee, and maintenance. Tonnage fees for both Beaverhead and Logan are good. Recycling costs will need to be addressed as far as cardboard and plastic.

Jim moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:00 p.m., Steve seconded, all aye.


Next Meeting date: August 3, 2023

Adjourned by consent



Steve Primm

Sarris Marsh, Acting Chairman  
Madison County Solid Waste Board  
Date Approved:  
Minutes prepared by:



Brad Kisor  
Jani Flinn, Clerk

All board members present signed the Work Compensation Report for the finance office.  
Claims for mileage were prepared for Finance.