

Madison County Solid Waste and Recycling Board Minutes

**Solid Waste & Recycling Board Meeting
Thursday July 21st ~ 1:15 P.M.,
Madison County Upstairs Public Meeting Room
103 West Wallace, Virginia City**

On Thursday July 21, 2022, a meeting of the Madison County Solid Waste & Recycling Board came to order at 1:25 pm in the Madison County upstairs Public Meeting Room. Members present: Rodney Stephens, Vern Karnath, and Sue Heald.

Others present: Guy Buyan, Solid Waste Foreman, Jani Flinn, Solid Waste Clerk.

- 1. Review Minutes of the February 3rd, 2022 meeting:** Vern moved, Rodney second, all aye.
Review Minutes of the May 5, 2022 meeting: Vern moved, Rodney second, all aye.
- 2. Public Discussion/Comments:** None
- 3. Virtual/ telephonic meetings:** No options available at this time for telephonic meetings.
Vern asked for research on other options and noted that it would be easier for him to attend virtual meetings instead of driving 150 miles to attend in person.
- 4. Cynthia Quirk, Madison River Rentals. Trash cleanup proposal for Pallisades:** After discussion of budget vs. staffing, Vern moved, Rodney second, not to accept the proposed contract. All voted aye, motion passed.
- 5. Applications for Board Member review:** The Board reviewed two applications received for the open Solid Waste & Recycling Board position. Bylaws and district representation were reviewed. Vern moved to make a recommendation to the Board of Commissioners that Steve Primm be approved to the Board. Rodney seconded, all aye.
- 6. Blue Ridge Services contract:** This item will be taken off the agenda as the Board of Commissioners felt it was not feasible for the County.
- 7. Request for solid waste removal:** None

- 8. Pony Bear proofing contract update:** Guy Buyan, Solid Waste Manager, gave an update on the project. Everything is in place and we are waiting on NorthWestern Energy to connect power.
- 9. Summer Help/ employee status Ennis Site:** Guy summarized the current staffing and feels that we are still one short. Vern moved to have Guy make a request to the Board of Commissioners to add another Solid Waste Driver. Rodney seconded, all aye.
- 10. Big Sky recycling:** A letter was presented from Amy Trad, Big Sky Resort. The Board discussed that Madison County does not provide Solid Waste services to Big Sky at this time and there are no drivers available to service them. Jani will draft a letter.
- 11. Closing gates at night Ennis, Cardwell, Norris & Twin:** Guy proposed to close the Ennis and Twin Bridges sites at night, and possibly closing Norris and Cardwell completely. Sue requested letters go out to residents and signs be posted with plenty of time before closing. Guy will analyze costs of additional staffing vs. closings. The Board also discussed the possibility of limiting recycling sites or hiring a third party vendor to haul and manage them. No final decisions were made.
- 12. Pony wood pile / ash container:** The ash container has been removed and the crew is working on moving the wood pile. Signs will be posted.
- 13. Any other business to be discussed:** Copies of the current budget were distributed for review. This topic will be discussed at the next meeting.

Next Meeting date: October 20, 2022

Adjourned by consent

Sue Heald, Member
Madison County Solid Waste Board
Date Approved:
Minutes prepared by:

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