Minutes NWSWD Board of Supervisors Meeting

February 7, 2018

The Board of Supervisors of the Northwest Vermont Solid Waste Management District held their regularly scheduled board meeting on Wednesday February 7, 2018 at the District Offices, 158 Morse Drive Georgia, VT at 6:30 PM.

Chairman Al Voegele called the meeting to order at 6:36 PM. Weather Issues warranted conference call for numerous members indicated by (ph).

Supervisors Present:

Dave Bennion, Franklin (ph)
Jennifer Bright (ph)
David Clark, Fletcher (ph)
Barry Kade, Montgomery
Paul Lambert, Georgia
Leitz, Tom, St. Albans City (ph)
Ben Lowell, Highgate

Jim Richards, No. Hero (ph) Bill Rowe, So. Hero Jaime Tibbits, Fairfield (ph) Al Voegele, St. Albans Town

Supervisors Absent:

Terry Anderson, Isle La Motte Tim Green, Richford Vincent Hickey, Berkshire James Lintereur, Bakersfield Amy Mashtare, Alburgh Dave Supernault, Sheldon Carlo Micheli, Swanton Pam Bolster, Business Manager

Others Present:

John Leddy, Executive Director

Guests:

Matt Cadieux Attorney Phil Woodward (ph)

Executive Committee Meeting – Exit Interview with Matt Cadieux:

Chairman Al Voegele called the Executive Committee Meeting to Order at 5:45 PM.

1) Mr. Kade made a motion to enter Executive Session to conduct an exit interview With Matt Cadieux. All were in favor and the motion passed. Executive session was entered at 5:45.

The executive committee exited executive session at 6:30. No action.

Full Board Meeting:

Chairman Al Voegele called the Board Meeting to order at 6:35 PM

1) Agenda Review-Additions/Deletions:

Mr. Rowe asked if under Other Business the board could move to executive Session.

2) VOTE: Minutes of the December 7, 2017 Board Meeting:

Mr. Voegele requested a motion to accept minutes of December 7, 2017. Mr. Clark made the motion to accept the minutes as written. All were in favor and the motion passed.

3) **Public Comment:** Mr. Cadiuex asked if an issue that Board Member Dave Supernault brought forth (date unknown), a concern about a pole at the St. Albans site that he almost slipped into by the paper box, had been taken care of. Mr. Leddy stated that measures were taken, fill was brought in.

Ben Lowell asked for the floor to notify the board that this will be his last meeting. He has notified the town that he needs to step down. He is being deployed. Mr. Voegele thanked him for his service to the board and to the country. All board members wished him a safe return.

4) Old Business:

a) Directors Report:

Mr. Leddy noted the Annual Report that compiled the statistics and accomplishments for our 2017 Fiscal Year. We saw increases in material diverted across the spectrum with the exception of electronic waste which saw a decrease in tonnage. He notes a continued use of the program but the influx has decreased and changed.

He stated that we continue to move material on a fairly regular basis though there was slightly slower material flow over the holiday season. Mr. Leddy stated that the District just signed a one year extension to the state's e-waste collector agreement.

He noted we have been making improvements to our plastics collection and are looking to increase our agricultural film collection. We are working with Trek's on some plastic film movement which has an ongoing program. They do not accept Ag film but plastic bags are the film they are looking for. Mr. Cadieux asked if we would be paid for the loads. Mr. Leddy replied that they will not charge transportation and there may be opportunity for paid loads depending on load size. The Treks facility is in New Jersey. Mr. Cadieux asked if there was room for storing consolidated film. Mr. Leddy stated that the trailers in the back would house our needs and that as we are working with other districts, they will bring their film here at time of shipment so there is no storing of a good portion of the load through our coordination.

Mr. Kade asked where ag film is going, Mr. Leddy responded Delta Plastics.

Mr. Clarke asked if there was any objection to move to new business prior to the finance report as we have the attorney on the line to discuss Agenda item 5a. All were in agreement.

b) Finance Report:

Mr. Leddy gave the finance report as Ms. Bolster is not in attendance. He noted that just over 50% of our year has been completed. He mentioned the 39% compost collection income and noted that there is some grant money there that has not been billed or received yet. He noted total income at 56.4% but stated he was not certain where surcharge receipts were as we usually are behind a month due to Casella's reporting. Under expenses he noted insurance is a front paid cost which is why that line item is high. Mr. Rowe asked why there was such a large amount on the payments report under Miscellaneous but yet on the P&L there is only \$300 in misc. Mr. Leddy was not certain and Mr. Rowe said he would "take it up with Ms. Bolster".

Mr. Leddy reviewed the outstanding AR report with the board. Drop Off site P&L's were reviewed.

5) New Business:

a) Discussion and Vote: Shall the Board ratify the Settlement Agreement reached during early neutral evaluation on January 17, 2018 with Thomas Reynolds?

Mr. Kade made a motion to move to executive session to discuss the possible ratification of the settlement agreement with Tom Reynolds. Mr. Voegele called for a voice vote. All members voted in agreement and the board moved into executive session at 6:53 PM. The board exited executive session at 7:03 PM.

Mr. Rowe made a motion to accept the VLCT recommendation to settle the Reynolds lawsuit and consent to and ratify the proposed settlement. Mr. Kade seconded the motion. A roll call was held. All members voted yes. The motion carries.

6) Other Business:

Mr. Rowe made a motion to move to executive session to discuss a Personnel issue specifically the exit interview with Matt Cadieux. Mr. Kade seconded the motion, all were in favor through voice vote and the board moved into Executive session at 7:16 PM. The board exited executive session at 7:55 PM. Action: Mr. Clark made a motion that Mr. Leddy give a personnel update at the next meeting in April.

Full Board Adjourned 7:56 PM.