

**Hendricks County Solid Waste Management District
Board of Director's Meeting Minutes
April 23, 2019**

The Hendricks County Solid Waste Management District met at 7:00 a.m. on April 23, 2019, in the Commissioners' Meeting Room at the Hendricks County Government Center.

President Dan Bridget opened the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken and members in attendance were:

Dan Bridget	Caleb Brown*
Chris Gearld	Dennis Dawes
Bob Gentry	Dawn Lowden
Brad Whicker	Phyllis Palmer

Board member Matt Whetstone was not in attendance.

Others in attendance were:

Lenn Detwiler	Ed Gaddie
Bill Guarnery	Patty Knoll
Amy Siefertman	Graham Youngs

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Gentry moved to approve the minutes from the January 22, 2019, Board Meeting as presented. Mrs. Palmer seconded the motion. The motion passed, 7-0-1. Mr. Whicker abstained, since he was not present at the January 22, 2019, meeting.

(*Mr. Brown entered at this point.)

Outreach Coordinator's Report

Mrs. Siefertman opened her remarks by sharing that she presented information at the Hendricks County Gardening for All Ages event, and was surprised at all the questions she had on composting. She said she would make a point to address that subject deeper in the future.

She also said she has been very busy with lots of programs in the county's schools, including some STEM programs she designed that have been popular and help schools satisfy STEM portions of their curriculum.

Director's Report

Program Updates

Mr. Detwiler informed the Board that the April 6th Tox-Away Day at the Brownsburg High School went really well with 1,080 users through the event, the second highest attendance ever for a Tox-Away Day. Over 106,000 pounds of material was collected, also the second highest amount of materials collected since the start of the events. Even as busy as the event was, it was remarkably problem free. Mr. Detwiler commended the fine job NuGenesis did as the District's contractor for the day.

He went on to say the Recycling Drop-off Centers have had quite a spike in use, with an average increase of 27 tons per month, and will surpass totals collected in the past years.

He finished the program updates by relating the Yard Waste Recycling Centers opened on April 1st, with all the employees back for another year.

Apple House Update

Mr. Detwiler then updated the Board on the "Apple House", the building located near the Plainfield Youth Activity Complex, part of the old Boys School in Plainfield. He said several meetings had been held with architects and town representatives to see if the building could meet the District's needs. He gave an in-depth presentation of the building and a potential layout that would, indeed, provide adequate space for a flexible meeting room as well as the District's administrative offices, even incorporating some of the educational exhibits previously designed. He did note that some redesign work would be necessary to get the exhibits to fit in the smaller space.

He shared that the building committee believes the renovation to the structure may cost up to \$1.5 million. Mr. Whicker added that he felt the \$1.5 million figure was on the high side, but expressed his belief that the cost of the project would top \$1 million. The consensus of the building committee is to commit to providing 40% of the hard construction costs up to \$500,000 toward the project in exchange for a long-term, no cost lease.

It was also expected that an additional \$250,000 would be needed to purchase furniture, technology, appliances, etc. That figure would include having the proposed exhibits redesigned and fabricated.

Mr. Detwiler said the building committee was requesting the Board's approval to meet with the Town of Plainfield representatives to firm up the financial commitment. He said with that approval he would hope to have a proposal for the Board's consideration in June, with a special Board Meeting called to consider it. After discussion, Mr. Gentry moved to approve the proposal for the building committee to meet with the Town of Plainfield to work out the financial and lease agreement for the District's involvement. Mr. Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0-0.

Upcoming Events

Mr. Detwiler then shared with the Board upcoming events:

- May 8th: Waste Management Facilities Tour; currently 30 people have signed up to attend, other than staff.
- May 18: Tox-Away Day #2 at the Hendricks County Fairgrounds
- July 14-20th: Hendricks County Fair
- July 23rd: Next scheduled Board Meeting

Financial Report

Financial Facts Summary

Mr. Detwiler presented to the Board the Financial Facts Summary covering January, February and March 2019. There was no discussion.

Income Charts

Mr. Detwiler then shared the Income Chart, through March 2019. Mr. Brown commented that in his business field, he is seeing more and more companies go to great lengths to keep materials out of landfills.

First Quarter Reports

Mr. Detwiler then presented First Quarter Reports. There was no discussion.

Registers of Claims- General Fund 2/26/19, 3/26/19, 4/23/19, & Special Projects Fund 4/23/19

Mr. Detwiler presented the Registers of Claims for the General Fund dated February 26, 2019, in the amount of \$39,696.81, March 26, 2019, in the amount of \$1,048,074.62, and April 23, 2019, in the amount of \$82,289.49. He pointed out the March 26 Register of Claims included the CD purchase for the Rainy Day Fund. He also presented the Register of Claims for the Special Projects Fund dated April 23, 2019, in the amount of \$1,397.55. Mr. Gentry moved to approve all the Registers of Claims as presented and Mr. Whicker seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0-0.

New Business

Brownsburg Yard Waste Recycling Center Lease Renewal

Mr. Detwiler then asked for the Board's approval for the renewal of the Brownsburg Yard Waste Recycling lease with the Town of Brownsburg. He said it was a five-year lease, and the only change was the addition of a 120- day termination clause. Mr. Whicker made the motion to accept the new lease, and Mr. Gentry seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0-0.

CAC Report: Community Grant Recommendations, Spring 2019

Mr. Detwiler then asked Mr. Guarnery to present the CAC's recommendations for the Spring Grant round. Mr. Guarnery said that after reviewing the three grant applications, the committee recommended accepting the grants from Central Elementary School for two water bottle refill stations in the amount of \$3,118.00, and the Town of Avon's request for six benches made from recycled plastic in the amount of \$3,000.00. He said the committee was recommending an amended award to the Avon Outdoor Learning Center, for a Water Tank in the amount of \$1,495.00.

Mr. Detwiler said the District would, as in the past, roll the remaining grant funds to the Fall 2019 Grant Awards

Mrs. Palmer moved to accept the recommendation of the CAC, and Mr. Gentry seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0-0.

Board of Directors' Comments, Concerns & Questions

Mrs. Lowden said the Town Council of Avon really appreciates the awarding of the grant for the recycled material benches. She said the benches will be placed on the town's expanded trail system, and will be a welcome addition.

Adjournment

Mrs. Palmer moved for adjournment at approximately 7:42 a.m. Mr. Gentry seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0-0.

Dan Bridget, President