

## MINUTES

**Monroe County Solid Waste Management District  
Board of Directors  
Nat U. Hill III Meeting Room, Monroe County Courthouse  
Bloomington, Indiana  
Thursday, October 14, 2010**

**Members present:** Iris Kiesling, Geoff McKim, Patrick Stoffers, Dan Swafford, Steve Volan.

**Members absent:** Mark Kruzan, Mark Stoops.

**Staff present:** Larry Barker, Executive Director, Tom McGlasson Jr., Environmental Compliance & Safety Director and Landfill Director, Shirley McMurry, Controller, Scott Morgan, Operations Director, Elisa Pokral, Media & Education Director, Brenda Stogsdill, Office Manager.

**Legal counsel present:** Bob Mann.

**CAC present:** Jerry Jochim.

Chairperson Stoffers called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes – September 9, 2010.** McKim motioned to approve; Volan seconded. Kiesling and Volan requested various changes and corrections to the September minutes. Last name of Greg Guerrettaz is misspelled. Kiesling stated that on page 6, paragraph 2, it should be stated that the County gave the Landfill to the Solid Waste District because the County could not afford to run it. Kiesling also stated that on page 6, paragraph 6, Volan had stated that the MRF closed because of the Landfill fire Kiesling said it did not close because of the Landfill fire. Kiesling asked McMurry if this was true and McMurry said the fire was in January and the MRF did not close until July. Volan disputed this. He suggested the minutes be tabled until they can be refined. McKim motioned to table; Volan seconded. The verbal vote was unanimous (Kiesling, McKim, Stoffers, Swafford, Volan).

**Controller's Report – Payroll, Claims & Cash Flow.** Kiesling motioned to approve; McKim seconded. McMurry said the total claims were \$130,555.72. The verbal vote was unanimous (Kiesling, McKim, Stoffers, Swafford, Volan).

McMurry presented cash flow January through September and projected October through December and reported the year end cash balance to be approximately \$1,375,000.00. Kiesling asked if this included the Landfill Trust Fund. McMurry said no.

**Resolution 2010 – 08 – Meeting Schedule 2011.** McKim motioned to approve; Volan seconded. Barker stated this schedule is the same as 2010, the second Thursday of each month at 4:00 p.m. Volan stated the City Council goes on recess in August and he would like to request the meeting dates for July and August be moved to the first Thursday instead of the second Thursday during those two months. McKim stated the Storm Water meeting sets its meeting dates so CATS only has to do one setup. Stoffers said the room will be hard wired by next summer so setup should not be a problem. Kiesling suggested the schedule be reviewed in March or April. Volan then asked that just the August date be changed from the 11<sup>th</sup> to the 4<sup>th</sup>. Swafford stated he would not be able to attend on the 4<sup>th</sup> because he has a Planning Commission meeting on the first Thursday of each month. Stoffers stated he did not see a problem changing one meeting date. Volan motioned to amend the August 11<sup>th</sup> meeting date to August 4<sup>th</sup>; McKim seconded. McMurry commented that we would need to check and see if the room is available on the 4<sup>th</sup>. Stoffers stated that date is ten months away and there would be time to sort it out. Stoffers asked for vote to amend the schedule. The verbal vote was unanimous (Kiesling, McKim, Stoffers, Swafford, Volan). Kiesling stated that as long as the room is available and if not it would have to be adjusted next time. Stoffers asked for passage of the amended schedule changing the August 11<sup>th</sup> date to the 4<sup>th</sup>. The verbal vote was unanimous (Kiesling, McKim, Stoffers, Swafford, Volan).

**Resolution 2010 – 09 – Holiday Schedule 2011.** McKim motioned to approve; Kiesling seconded. Barker stated this schedule follows the County schedule. Kiesling asked if it was correct that we get the day before Christmas Eve and the day after Christmas. Barker stated this is the same as the County. Kiesling feels this will also cause problems the following week. Stoffers and McKim stated they did not see a problem. The verbal vote to approve was unanimous (Kiesling, McKim, Stoffers, Swafford, Volan).

**Citizen’s Advisory Committee Report.** Jochim stated that Barker had presented the new District website at the CAC meeting last week. CAC was pleased and did make a few suggestions but overall they were very pleased.

The CAC survey on recycling at restaurants and bars should be going out within a month or so.

CAC volunteers helped with Bulky Item Days by handing out free reusable grocery bags. They also helped divert reusable items to Habitat for Humanity and St. Vincent DePaul Church. He estimated that on Friday there were three truck loads of items diverted from the landfill.

Steve Akers showed a website from the Office of Sustainability at I.U. This is a “no waste” site which shows the importance to students of reducing waste on campus. They are going to link the Solid Waste District site to that.

Shelby Walker from the City of Bloomington talked about the Big Belly Solar Powered Trash Compactors around the City. He talked about how efficient they are and how it reduces the number of pick ups.

McKim commented on how impressed he is that so many members attend the CAC meetings.

### **Reports from Staff.**

McGlasson presented from his prepared report, attached as part of these minutes. He highlighted the Bi-Con Services section of his report concerning testing for the quantity and concentration of methane being generated by the landfill. Kiesling asked if we have a report and McGlasson said no we are waiting for the final report. McKim asked how much energy the landfill consumes. McGlasson stated he was not sure. Heating the leachate building probably consumes the most. The leachate systems does not use that much. McKim asked if the tornado siren uses much. McGlasson said that is not known yet since it was just installed the first of this month. McGlasson did want to point out that no leachate was hauled or treated in September. McGlasson also stated the report for the survey of the groundwater wells was just received today. This report will be reviewed and sent to IDEM. Kiesling asked if any methane gas was going off site. McGlasson said according the methane monitoring there is no gas migrating through the ground.

Morgan stated that in addition to his written report he has received numbers from Bulky Item Days. The numbers were down from last year, 73.6 tons of trash and metals were received this year totaling 29 hauls compared to 129 tons in the spring with 47 hauls. He is still analyzing the car count numbers. The tornado siren has been installed at the Oard Road site.

Pokral presented from her prepared report, attached as part of these minutes. Pokral thanked the CAC for helping hand out reusable bags and the Going Green newsletter at Bulky Item Days. Two representatives from Lawrence County came through to see how we organize Bulky Item Days. Pokral pointed out from her report that Bloomington won the America in Bloom contest for cities of similar size. She wanted to thank Larry Barker for all of the progress he has helped bring to the District and to thank all of the staff members at the sites for the help they give everyone.

Barker brought attention to the proposed timeline for bond issues based on the October 5<sup>th</sup> meeting with the County Council work session included with his executive report. We are scheduled to go before the County Council again on November 9<sup>th</sup> to finalize the Bond Anticipation Notes (BANs). This will result in a change to issuing and obligations authority according to Indiana code 13-21-7-7 which is included with copies of email from Ice Miller. This puts the responsibility of special obligations solely on the District and not on Monroe County general funds. By moving the timeline out we will run into bad weather so instead of doing an Otis retrofit in a month to six weeks so it may be 2-3 months to get retrofitted to a Materials Recovery Facility if this does pass County Council. Included also is a history file of the District's Material Recovery Facilities broken down for the South Rogers facility and the Landfill location.

McKim wanted to clarify the issue about the responsibility of the Bond Anticipation Notes originally started from information the Council received from SFG. At that time it was indicated that the County Council by approving the bond (BANs) would be pledging its full faith and credit to repay that debt if the District was not able to pay its obligation. On that information the Council decided to table until November. Since then the Council has received some clarification from bond counsel at Ice Miller and who said the County would in no way be responsible for the debts of the District. The District is a separate taxing unit and the tax rate to the levy to the District would be pledged as collateral for the BANs. The County is still by statute required to approve any kind of bond that the District would undertake.

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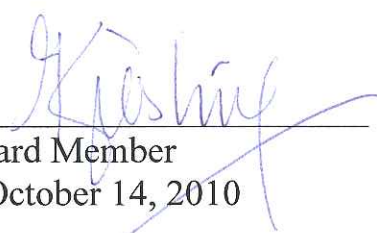
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**Public Comment.** None.



The meeting adjourned 4:35 p.m.

Unless otherwise stated, all documents referenced in these minutes are considered a part of these minutes and are on file in an official record book in the District office. These minutes were offered for review to all Board members and Staff members who attended and participated in the meeting.

  
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Signed – Board Member  
Minutes of October 14, 2010