

**CLINTON COUNTY AREA SOLID WASTE AGENCY  
FEBRUARY 13, 2020**

9 PRESENT

Vice-Chair Pray called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Roll call was taken; those present were;

Clinton – Schemers  
Camanche – Willis  
Delmar – Goodall

Clinton County – Determann  
Andover – Kedley  
Grand Mound - Fischer

DeWitt – Chrones  
Charlotte – Kleinschmidt  
Low Moor – Pray

We have 9 votes present; 5 votes needed for majority and 7 needed for a super majority.

Delmar made a motion to approve the January 9, 2020 minutes. Clinton seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS:** None

**UNANIMOUS CONSENT CALENDAR:** Clinton made a motion to approve the Unanimous Consent Calendar. Delmar seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

**DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS AND EDUCATION REPORT**

- A.** Legislative Updates: Senate File 2060 - Scenic Byways Fund - The bill establishes a new Scenic Byways Fund in the Department of Transportation for the support, development, maintenance and enhancement, including litter prevention, of scenic byways. For each application or renewal of a vehicle registration country treasurers are required to ask each applicant to make a voluntary contribution to the fund. In Subcommittee.

Senate Study Bill 3109 - Bottle and Can Elimination - The bill seeks to make multiple changes to the state's bottle and can redemption law. First, it adds cans from high alcohol beer and canned cocktails to the list of items that are charged a 5-cent deposit. It also allows a retailer to opt out of accepting bottles and cans if they provide notice to the DNR and are within a 10-mile radius of a redemption center. The bill takes effect July, 1, 2021. In Subcommittee.

House File 2207 - Bag Sales - The bill would change current law to allow cities and counties to regulate the sale and use of bags. Referred to Local Government Committee.

House File 2206 - Handling Fee Increase - This bill would increase the current handling fee of 1-cent per container to 2-cents per container. Referred to Local Government Committee.

House File 2205 - Bottle Bill Repeal - The bill repeals the current bottle and can redemption law on July 1, 2023. Referred to Local Government Committee.

House Study Bill 507 - Bottle Bills - The bill seeks to make multiple changes to the state's bottle and can redemption law. First, it adds cans from high alcohol beer and canned cocktails to the list of items that are charged a 5-cent deposit. It also allows a retailer to opt out of accepting bottles and cans if they provide notice to the DNR and are within a 10-mile radius of a redemption center. The bill takes effect July, 1, 2021. In Subcommittee.

Clinton: Iowa Senate Majority Leader sees the bottle bill being expanded, but not taken away.

- B. DNR Roundtable in Iowa City Update: Jeff Rittmer and I attended the session in Iowa City on January 14<sup>th</sup>. The DNR and several area landfills had presentations and discussions on a number of topics including landfill fires, grinding operations in solid waste, management of disaster debris, contract operations of landfills, and management of wind turbine blades. A lot of time was spent on wind turbine blades. Some facilities are shearing them first, which is very costly. Scott County took in a test load and had no luck in compacting the blades. Only one place in the world is on record of actually recycling them and that is a cement kiln in Germany.

**ENGINEER SITE REPORT** – Andrew Phillips of Barker Lemar Engineering – Mandatory Pre-bid meeting was held Wednesday. Seven potential bidders showed up. Bids will be opened up next Friday.

Terracon borings showed no issues.

DeWitt: Wanted to know if Barker Lemar has any issues with any of the seven potential bidders? Seward: At least three of them have built landfill cells in Iowa. DeWitt: would like to know of any potential issues with bidders before the approval of the bids.

**LANDFILL OPERATIONS REPORT** – Jeff Rittmer, Jr. of Rittmer, Inc. – Everything has been going ok with us. Battling ice and then mud. Rittmer would like to purchase two new tarps for the tarp machine. Seward said he and Rittmer would communicate with Southwest Sales regarding procurement of two new tarps.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM ANY AGENCY MEMBERS OR THEIR CONSTITUENTS:** Clinton: if city's budget holds up through the certification process, then a lot more demolition of old homes in Clinton will be taking place in the upcoming year.

Clinton: Seward will be on KROS City Watch program next weekend talking about solid waste and recycling.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- A. Next Landfill Cell – Discussion & Potential Action – No additional information to add from the Engineer's report.
- B. Contract Operator Transition Update – This should be the last update on this topic. Progress Contracts signed the release the day after last month's meeting. It has been signed by both sides.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Updated Bank Account Depository Resolution **RESOLUTION # 1**  
This is the annual update to our depository resolution in order to maintain compliance.

Delmar made a motion to approve the resolution. Camanche seconded. Roll call vote was taken.

Clinton – Schemers - Yes  
Camanche – Willis- Yes  
Delmar – Goodall - Yes

Clinton County – Determann -Yes  
Andover – Kedley - Yes  
Grand Mound – Fischer - Yes

DeWitt – Chrones - Yes  
Charlotte – Kleinschmidt – Yes  
Low Moor – Pray - Yes

Motion passes 9-0. Motion unanimously carried.

**B. Assessment of Corrective Measures Requirements** **PROPOSAL # 1**

Before you is a proposal from Barker Lemar to carry out the assessment of corrective measures requirements.

Phillips: DNR approved Assessment of Corrective Measures plan. Now we need to hold a public hearing about the plan.

Low Moor: Do we need to approve this? Seward: Yes.

Seward: This plan has gotten much better. Cell construction, cutting off the surface water with the cell construction over old wastes, natural attenuation, etc. will cost a lot less than some of the options that were originally contemplated.

Camanche made a motion to approve the proposal and hold a public hearing next month. Clinton seconded. Roll call vote was taken.

Clinton County – Determann -Yes	DeWitt – Chrones - Yes	Camanche – Willis- Yes
Andover – Kedley - Yes	Charlotte – Kleinschmidt – Yes	Delmar – Goodall - Yes
Grand Mound – Fischer - Yes	Low Moor – Pray – Yes	Clinton – Schemers - Yes

Motion passes 9-0. Motion unanimously carried.

**C. Out of County Single Stream Recycling – Discussion & Potential Action – Seward: I was approached by the Jackson County community of Preston last week about bringing their recycling here as the recycling center in Maquoketa will be closing in June. Right now the cost of hauling out recycling is between \$28 and \$29 a ton. We are making zero back from Scott County. The cost of trucking also does not take into account what save in landfill space per year by recycling. This begs to question should we start charging for out county and possibly even business recycling?**

Clinton County: What’s the Scott County status? Seward: Currently we are not making any money. We are actually running a negative account balance there and when the market becomes positive our payout will pay back that balance.

DeWitt: I'm concerned about potential contamination issues with other communities’ materials. What type of impact are we talking about?

Grand Mound: Preston is about twice the size of Grand Mound. Seward: I.E. two loads a week of recycling probably.

Seward: Should we be charging for out of county recycling? That’s my main question on this.

DeWitt and Camanche: We should look at charging for out of county materials.

DeWitt: I want to consider out of county and businesses separately.

Camanche: I think we need to charge our cost minimum.

DeWitt suggested we handle out of county next month and push the business considerations back to following month. We need to know the costs of hauling and processing costs here.

Delmar made a motion to table the issue. Grand Mound seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

**EMERGENCY BUSINESS: None**

DeWitt made a motion to adjourn; until March 12th, 2020, at the Recycling Center at 6:30 PM. Adjourned at 7:03 PM.