

**CLINTON COUNTY AREA SOLID WASTE AGENCY  
SEPTEMBER 9, 2021**

9 PRESENT

Chairman Varner called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Roll call was taken; those present were;

Clinton -Schemers  
Camanche – Varner  
Delmar – Goodall

Clinton County – Determann  
Andover – White  
Goose Lake – Mattis

DeWitt – Chrones  
Charlotte – Snyder  
Low Moor - Pray

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

Clinton made a motion to approve August 12, 2021 minutes. Goose Lake seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS:** None

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

**DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS AND EDUCATION REPORT –**

- A. DNR Inspection Report – Ryan Stouder of Field Office 6 stopped in for a DNR visit in mid-August. No significant issues were immediately expressed. We await the official report.
- B. ISOSWO Conference – Cedar Rapids – The Fall ISOSWO Conference is October 4-6 in Cedar Rapids. I will be attending and have a report for you next month.
- C. Tour – Bus Tour by Bickford Senior Living – Bickford Senior Living of Clinton will do a drive by bus tour on Tuesday afternoon.

**ENGINEER SITE REPORT – Brad Seward**

- A. Landfill Activities Status – Andrew Phillips

**ATTACHMENT # 1**

Phillips: We had BWC jetting again today. We found that the leachate line is either pinched or broken.

Another note, I installed a smaller secondary pump and we are still pulling liquid through the system, which is good news. The system is still working. Going forward DNR will likely not let you connect the other newer cells to that line in then system. A separate sump would have to be set up.

DeWitt: a bypass or a new sump would be less expensive than digging up the broken line, correct? Phillips: Yes. A redesign will likely have to take place and you may lose some airspace availability.

Seward: We're not talking about a major loss of airspace though? Phillips: No.

Goose Lake: If you went east, then you would have to go up hill, right? Phillips: Yes.

Seward: We're dealing with a lot of new information yet.

DeWitt: And the airspace report we will be soon receiving will tell how much life we have left in the cell?  
Phillips: Yes, it will.

Phillips: I'm going to prepare a control panel proposal for that secondary pump. I still have to find a way to get the material and fluid from the lines. We will tell the DNR about what is going on and share with them what we have done. Show them we are being proactive. Ballpark cost of between three to five thousand dollars.

**LANDFILL OPERATIONS REPORT** – BJ Bauman for Rittmer, Inc.- We are almost finished with the initial layer of trash on the upper part of the cell.

The east sediment pond excavation has been dug out. We’ve removed six thousand yards of dirt from there. This material has been spread out on top of some of the existing cells. We’ve mixed in a load of sewage cake from the city of Clinton. The material is drying, but it’s like jello. The material has been growing weeds in the past.

I would like to try an acre with this material, mix it with the dirt, and see if we can grow grass.

Seward: It was suggested that we try using a manure spreader, but that’s difficult on slopes. Bauman: We would need something to stiffen up the material like straw to use a spreader. What I’m suggesting is I can’t put a firm price tag on this. So, I think we should try an acre, I charge for machinery hours, and try to grow grass. If it works on the top of the hill, then we don’t have as much silt running down the hill. If it works, then we could place another strip going down the hill.

DeWitt: What is the hourly rate for that? Bauman: We’re looking at maybe three to five thousand dollars for an acre. I’ll provide an hourly sheet for machinery to grow a test acre.

Camanche: I like the idea. Can the board approve this?

Bauman: Compost could work, too and would be a much easier application. Try a tandem dump truck load of compost. Does DeWitt have compost? DeWitt: Brad, please call the DeWitt City Administrator about that.

Andover made a motion to do test grass growing acres, one using sewage cake and another using compost, with costs to be approved by the Executive Board. Camanche seconded. Roll call vote was taken.

Clinton -Schemers- Yes	Clinton County – Determann - Yes	DeWitt – Chrones - Yes
Camanche – Varner - Yes	Andover – White - Yes	Charlotte – Snyder - Yes
Delmar – Goodall - Yes	Goose Lake – Mattis - Yes	Low Moor – Pray - Yes

Motion passes 9-0.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM ANY AGENCY MEMBERS OR THEIR CONSTITUENTS:** Seward: On the restroom renovation topic, we are running into a COVID-related procurement issue. The water softener and filtration system are installed and helping.

Clinton: What items are being affected? Seward: fixtures, porcelain, etc.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- A. Sediment Pond Cleaning Update – The Executive Board approved the cleaning of the East Sediment Pond by Rittmer for \$23,313.75. Cleaning of that area is substantially complete.

We also need to clean the west sediment pond. Rittmer has indicated the price range will likely be similar. Should we let Rittmer submit a bid and then have the Executive Board approve it? Thoughts?

Clinton County made a motion to have Rittmer clean the west sediment pond for a sum, not to exceed \$25 thousand. Andover seconded. Roll call vote was taken.

Clinton County – Determann - Yes	DeWitt – Chrones - Yes	Camanche – Varner – Yes
Andover – White - Yes	Charlotte – Snyder - Yes	Delmar – Goodall - Yes
Goose Lake – Mattis - Yes	Low Moor – Pray – Yes	Clinton -Schemers- Yes

Motion passes 9-0.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**EMERGENCY BUSINESS:**

- A. Salt Spreader for Pick Up Truck – At a minimum we need pretty extensive repairs to our existing salt spreader for the pickup truck. Repairs are expected to cost \$1500. A new spreader would cost \$7600. I spoke with Jason Bahnsen, our site supervisor. If we could do both, then that would free up one of the spreaders for lime usage, which is more effective on icy gravels, than sand. Thoughts?

DeWitt: What fund could we pull this out of that doesn't affect the general fund? Seward: We could take it out of the \$265K account.

Other spreader is 8 years old.

We have a 1995 GMC with a solid motor, which has body issues and a failed transmission.

Goose Lake made a motion to purchase a new Boss salt spreader from Five Star Enterprises in Morrison. Delmar seconded. (From the reserve fund) Roll call vote was taken.

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

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Motion passes 9-0.

- B. Pickup Truck – I am checking with the Clinton Auto Group to see if they will honor the state bid on a Ford 250 pickup. The state bid is around \$41K for a new truck.

DeWitt made a motion to adjourn; until October 14, 2021, at the Recycling Center at 6:30 PM. Adjourned at 7:10 PM.