

**CLINTON COUNTY AREA SOLID WASTE AGENCY**  
**APRIL 14, 2022**

9 PRESENT

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

Clinton - Schemers	Clinton County – Determann	DeWitt – Chrones
Camanche – Varner	Delmar – Goodall	Goose Lake – Mattis
Grand Mound – Lange	Wheatland – Heileman	

We have 8 votes present; 5 votes needed for majority and 6 needed for a super majority.

Camanche would like to move the Trust Account Discussion up before the Director's Report in the meeting.

Clinton made a motion to amend the agenda to reflect that request. Goose Lake seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

Delmar made a motion to approve March 10, 2022 minutes. Camanche seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None**

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Low Moor – Pray arrived late.

**A.** Trust Account Discussion/Possible Action –  
Heather Farwell with Citizens First Bank – Handed out packets – Page 6 is investment strategy.

Investment CD options listed. 1.26% for 12 months, 2.09% for 24 months, 2.41% for 36 months. Fixed rates.

Fed will meet in May.

Will be happy to answer questions, as needed.

Dave Helscher - Clinton National Bank Trust Department – Has been investment agent for trust account since 2002.

Fed will meet in May.

Outlined what could be invested in under Iowa rules using public money.

Will be closing out the non-Iowa CDs this year.

Listed historical returns for the account since 2002. We're in a different market. There has been considerable strain on the fixed income markets.

The fixed-income mutual funds are compliance with public funds.

DeWitt - Who authorized the investment decisions? Helscher: This agency authorized it.

DeWitt – I have seen anything on this fund since I've been on the board.

Helscher: Quarterly reports go out to the agency. Seward: a report goes into the board packet monthly. Apparently, you've not seen the entire quarterly report.

Clinton County: we get an update each month.

DeWitt: What's our objective with the trust account? What are we trying do with this money?

Clinton County: Preserve it.

DeWitt: So, we're looking for safety on this.

DeWitt: What kind of trading or custodial fees are looking at?

Helscher: 46 basis points. Farwell: No Trust Department, no custodial fees.

DeWitt: I'm not ready to make a decision on this tonight. I think we have more conversations to have with this board before choosing where to go. I do have some more questions that I would like answered.

DeWitt: I feel there is another bank not present. Seward: That other bank was invited to the meeting tonight.

DeWitt: These packets were just given to us.

Goose Lake: We haven't had \$2.1 million in that account for 20 years, right? Seward: We started out around \$1.5 million.

Goose Lake: Is there any on-going contribution to this? Seward: No, not at this time.

Camanche: I'd like to look this information over more.

Helscher: Please direct any questions back to me.

DeWitt made motion to table this item. Clinton County seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

#### **DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS AND EDUCATION REPORT – Brad Seward**

- A.** Legislative Update - I am handing out a summary of updates to proposed bills that could affect solid waste. Bottle Bill is the hot topic at the state level.
- B.** EnviroKids 2022 Tour Date – The 20<sup>th</sup> year of the Clinton County Area EnviroKids will tour CCASWA on June 25<sup>th</sup>. Grads 3-5 from Clinton County Area.
- C.** Camanche Schools Tour – Tuesday 68 fourth graders from Camanche toured the agency.
- D.** Our Lady of the Prairie Retreat Center Presentation – I will be presenting a program in Wheatland at the Our Lady of the Prairie Retreat on April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

#### **ENGINEER SITE REPORT Andrew Phillips- EVORA Engineering Consultants**

Phillips: Did West Site inspection and there is some minor seepage on the slope. Talking about extending rock pack for passive evaporation. Request has been sent in to end post closure maintenance at the West Site. The request could end sampling and monitoring. Cap must be maintained.

Phillips talked briefly about the North closed portion of the East Site. There are some monitoring wells on the adjacent property.

Clinton County: Have we thought about trying to buy that portion off site?

Seward: Yes, last discussion was numerous years ago.

**LANDFILL OPERATIONS REPORT** – Jeff Rittmer of Rittmer Inc.- No report.

Board talked about cleaning of nearby roads. Seward was told Supervisor Srp was planning to do a clean up of the Mill Creek Parkway area. Clinton said Srp also indicated he and a scout group were planning to clean up along 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue North leading to the facility.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM ANY AGENCY MEMBERS OR THEIR CONSTITUENTS:** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**A.** Trust Account Discussion/Possible Action – previously discussed earlier in the agenda.

**B.** Engineering/Consulting RFP Possible Action - **PROPOSALS # 1 & # 2**  
We received two completed RFPs back from the 6 solicited. HDR, SCS, and Foth declined to returned a proposal. Stanley Consultants did not respond at all. Blackstone and Evora did respond.

Evora has been the consultant for the past 22 years.

DeWitt: Evora 550+ hours to do tasks annually, Blackstone 438 hours. From that was an Evora cost around 99 thousand dollars, Blackstone was around 101 thousand dollars. Those numbers were on the high end.

Phillips: Hours based on what we've experienced on site. Hours have been based on averages.

Groundwater sampling is difficult on this site because of low flows.

A lot of other companies don't have site knowledge we do.

Low Moor: That's what worries me. Somebody may have to adjust rates.

DeWitt: Are these fixed costs? Phillips: Yes.

DeWitt: Evora's cost could be as low as 64 thousand dollars.

Clinton made a motion to accept the Evora proposal. Camanche seconded. Roll call vote was taken.

Clinton – Schemers -Yes  
Camanche – Varner - Yes  
Grand Mound – Lange - Yes

Clinton County – Determann - Yes  
Delmar – Goodall - Yes  
Low Moor – Pray – Yes

DeWitt – Chrones - Yes  
Goose Lake – Mattis - Yes  
Wheatland – Heileman - Yes

Motion passes 9-0

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**A.** Potential Additional Fuel Compensation Discussion/Possible Action **ATTACHMENTS #2, #2A, & #3**  
I have attached the sample information on what to possibly expect from Rittmer and Crystal Creek for fuel surcharges.

Rittmer numbers were based on the receipts provided on fuel over \$3 per gallon of off-road diesel. Approximately \$2100 for March. Although one fuel bill came late and may eat up most of the month of April. So, the bill may not be as much each month.

Crystal Creek numbers were based on the formula shown on the documents. Approximately \$455 extra for the month based on March diesel prices.

DeWitt: Could you provide the Crystal Creek style numbers each month? Seward: Sure.

Clinton County: Who put the 2023 date in on the fuel escalator? Seward: I did. Fuel wasn't spiking at that time.

Delmar: was fuel escalator used for Betts? Seward: Yes, toward end of contract.

DeWitt: in all fairness, it's not their fault and it's not our fault. It is what it is. We wanted an understanding of what the impacts were.

Delmar: Should we shoulder the entire burden? Since its neither side's fault.

Clinton County: Since it's not in the contract, we could say no.

Delmar: I would not have a problem shouldering half of the total. But I don't think we should shoulder the whole thing.

Camanche and Clinton agree.

Seward: There was no fuel escalator in the Rittmer contract, but neither company expected fuel to go up this fast. It obviously affects their operations or they wouldn't have asked.

Delmar made a motion to pay half of the proposed fuel surcharge request for both companies at this time. Low Moor seconded. Roll call vote was taken.

Clinton County – Determann - Yes	DeWitt – Chrones - Yes	Camanche – Varner - Yes
Delmar – Goodall - Yes	Goose Lake – Mattis – Yes	Grand Mound – Lange - Yes
Low Moor – Pray – Yes	Wheatland – Heileman - Yes	Clinton – Schemers -Yes

Motion passes 9-0

**B. Company Credit Card Changeover Resolution**

**RESOLUTION # 1**

We have changed banks and we are looking at changing our credit card, too. This resolution is needed by Citizens First Bank in order to start a credit card with them.

Seward: This is pretty standard. This must be signed by the officers

DeWitt: who are the officers? Seward: Camanche, Low Moor, Clinton County.

Clinton County made a motion to approve the proposed resolution. Clinton seconded. Roll call vote was taken.

DeWitt – Chrones - Yes	Camanche – Varner - Yes	Delmar – Goodall - Yes
Goose Lake – Mattis – Yes	Grand Mound – Lange - Yes	Low Moor – Pray – Yes
Wheatland – Heileman - Yes	Clinton – Schemers -Yes	Clinton County – Determann - Yes

Motion passes 9-0

**C. Discussion Potential Increases in Tires and Electronic Waste Rates**

I believe we need examine and possibly raise our rates on tires and electronic waste. Our tires are currently \$3 off the rim or \$4 on the rim for individual tires (10 or fewer). \$250 per ton for higher quantities of car, light truck tires. \$275 for ag and off-road tires. Unfortunately, Liberty Tire Recycling has raised their rates to \$245 per ton for car, light truck tires and \$345 per ton for off road and ag tires.

E-Waste is running a slight negative balance for the year. We ship that material to Scott County. We have a \$5, \$10, and \$15 per unit structure for pricing for those items.

DeWitt: Can we make this change when we adjust other rates in July 1<sup>st</sup>. Seward: Yes.

Clinton concurs.

DeWitt suggested it goes to Executive Board first for recommendation.

Seward: The Executive Board will also have to discuss wages before next meeting. Delmar also volunteered to serve on that committee.

**EMERGENCY BUSINESS:** None

DeWitt made a motion to adjourn; until May 12, 2022, at the Recycling Center at 6:30 PM. Adjourned at 7:28 PM