

**CLINTON COUNTY AREA SOLID WASTE AGENCY
MARCH 15, 2023**

10 PRESENT

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

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

We have 9 votes present; 5 votes needed for majority and 7 needed for a super majority to start the meeting.

Clinton made a motion to approve February 15, 2023 minutes. Goose Lake seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None

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

Andover – White joined the meeting late. Now ten votes present.

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS AND EDUCATION REPORT – Brad Seward

- A.** Legislative Update – Briefly share solid waste bills of interest. Public posting bill on the Secretary of State’s website. Scenic Byways Fund and School Demolition bill.

Clinton County did update on SF 356. Could restrict ability by county to fund 28E and other items. House has its own version. Don’t know what outcome will be. We might have to respond reactively. A lot of things about legislation he’s not fond of. Something will likely come about of this.

Clinton County: could have five-million-dollar impact on county and could affect all, but mandated services.

- B.** Firefighting Foam Update – The firefighting foam we ordered arrived in February. DeWitt: talk with Rittmer about having foam pre-mixed in fire tanker and prepared. It doesn’t go bad in ready mixed situation. Could save time on potential fire situation.

Grand Mound: Doesn’t he spray roads and implements with that tanker?

DeWitt: That might change things a bit. Have the conversation with Rittmer though.

- C.** Iowa DNR Roundtable – On March 21st, there will be a DNR Roundtable in Ainsworth, Iowa for the Southeast Iowa Field Office. There will be several presentations and conversations. One of the conversations will involve our discovery of the fake bone in the landfill last year.
- D.** Audit Fieldwork – The state auditor’s staff will be at the agency conducting the audit in mid-April.
- E.** Earth Day is Every Day Event in Wheatland – February 25th I gave a presentation on recycling, reduction of waste and Green Living to the Our Lady of the Prairie Retreat in Wheatland.
- F.** Central DeWitt Classroom Visit and Tour – Tara Michel’s class will host me for a presentation on March 23rd. The class will then tour CCASWA the following week. DeWitt: asked what grades they are? Seward: Middle and High School. Andover: Group of teachers, asked if we worked with one entire grade level? Seward: work basically school by school.

ENGINEER SITE REPORT – Andrew Phillips of Evora Consulting - NONE

LANDFILL OPERATIONS REPORT - Rittmer had new operators trained. Seward: Wind forecast for Friday not great. Have had about 2-3 days affected by wind in 2023.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM ANY AGENCY MEMBERS OR THEIR CONSTITUENTS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

A. Recycling Forklift Replacement Proposals

ATTACHMENTS # 2 & 3

As directed, I have sought out quotes for diesel and electric forklifts. They are significantly more than the LP models. I have issued a price breakdown for all three types of forklifts.

There is an option from Hupp that is on an amended attachment for electric and diesel.

Clinton: Talked with workers. It needs to be replaced. Not enthused about battery models. She was not a fan of diesel either.

Andover: Concern about safety.

Clinton: Seward called Iowa Municipal Worker's Compensation Association. IMWCA indicated that manufacturer's instructions should be followed.

Seward: we have two LP forklifts.

DeWitt: asked if there was a specific recommendation other than LP? No.

Goose Lake: asked about objection to electric? Seward: End of life situation. What do we do with the battery after it's done? Clinton County: Battery cost replacement is expensive also.

Delmar: One plus for diesel models is spark with LP or gas with the dust issue. Not saying it would happen. Clinton County: Safety issue is the lifting. Low Moor: How often is tank replaced? Once a week on one unit. Much less often on the other.

DeWitt: How long have we been running LP here? Seward: Potentially since the beginning in 1990s.

Grand Mound: didn't you say you have somebody you would prefer to work with? Seward: we already work with Dreamworks. They have the Doosan at the lower price.

Grand Mound made a motion to approve the purchase of a Doosan LP Forklift from Dreamworks (total package with trade \$33,013.53). Clinton seconded. Roll Call vote taken.

Clinton – Schemers - Yes

Clinton County – Srp- Yes

DeWitt – Chrones - Yes

Camanche - Bowman - Yes

Andover – White - NO

Delmar – Goodall- NO

Goose Lake – Mattis – Yes

Grand Mound – Lange – Yes

Low Moor – Pray -Yes

Wheatland – Heileman – Yes

Motion passed 8-2.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. On July 1st with the new fiscal year, our tonnage remittance to the DNR will increase by \$1.20 per ton to DNR. This formula takes into account several factors, including inflation, baseline 1988 tonnage, diversion rates of that tonnage for all facilities in the Bi-State Comprehensive Plan Area. In short, the fees will increase for the area because of the drop in the diversion rate from between 25% and the state average of 36% to only 16%. We are part of a comprehensive planning area with Cedar, Jackson, Muscatine, and Scott Counties. Most of the trash tonnage increase can be attributed to Scott County. CCASWA remains above the state average at 37%, but the region as a whole has seen the diversion of materials drop. And the tonnage fees are figured for the region.

There have been maneuvers to try to get this increase wiped out, such as removal of Scott County from the equation, as they are an Environmental Management System agency.

DeWitt: What is diversion? Seward: What percentage of the waste that you take in that you keep out of the landfill (yard waste, HHW, recycling, etc.) based on 1988 tonnage. It's for the whole area.

Seward: tonnage fee will go from \$3.65 to \$4.75 July 1st.

DeWitt: Do we get money for recycling sent to Scott County? Seward: When markets are above the break even cost there is a revenue share that comes back to CCASWA. DeWitt: will this affect that amount? Seward: It shouldn't.

DeWitt: How will this affect the budget for next fiscal year? Seward: I think we can absorb the \$40K to \$50K next year. In the future we may want to look at more options including contract rates.

DeWitt: We will need some more analysis probably.

Clinton: Did say that Citizen's First Bank came back with a sizeable bank interest increase, which could offset some of this, too. Seward: I'm glad you brought that up. We learned about that last week.

Andover: is that for all governments. Clinton: I heard for all governmental units.

Seward: No action needed on that topic.

B. SCS SCADA Proposal

PROPOSAL #1

Before you is the SCADA and Pump Maintenance Proposal. It's the same concept as the other SCS Contracts we had to update from Evora to the new company for.

DeWitt: It says \$10K this fiscal year. It that assume we've spent about \$10K this year so far? Seward: Yes.

Grand Mound made a motion to approve the proposal. Andover seconded. Roll Call vote taken.

Clinton County – Srp- Yes
Andover – White - Yes
Grand Mound – Lange – Yes
Clinton – Schemers - Yes

DeWitt – Chrones - Yes
Delmar – Goodall- Yes
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Motion passed 10-0.

EMERGENCY BUSINESS: NONE

DeWitt made a motion to adjourn; until April 13th, 2023, at the Recycling Center at 6:30 PM. Adjourned at 7:03 PM.