

Vermillion County Solid Waste Board Meeting
January 15th, 2025
8:30 a.m.

Meeting called to order at 8:30 a.m., Leonard Helt

Roll Call: James Hall, Leonard Helt, RJ Dunavan, Rick Weir

Absent: Scott Karanovich, Ashley Peffly

Public: Phil Cox, Joanie Kanizer, Scott Craig

Approval Minutes – RJ Dunavan moved to accept the October 9th, 2024 minutes. Jim Hall seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Eric Shideler presented the financial report subject to audit. RJ Dunavan moved to accept the Financial Report, Jim Hall seconded. Motion carried.

Old business –

None

New Business –

2025 Election of Officers were held. RJ Dunavan moved to nominate Leonard Helt as President, Rick Weir seconded.

RJ Dunavan moved to nominate Jim Hall as Vice-President, Rick were seconded.

Misty Hess, commissioner appointed Ashley Peffley to be her representative of the Commissioner during the Commissioner's Meeting that was held on January 14th, 2025.

Director presented an amended to the 2025 meeting dates. June 11th, 2025 has been amended due to conflict to June 4th, 2025 at 8:30 a.m.

IASWMD annual membership renewal of \$550.00 was presented. RJ Dunavan moved to renew membership, Jim Hall seconded.

Director presented the board with a tax proposal. Along, with a spreadsheet comparing Vermillion County to other counties that are the same size. Their solid waste yearly income. Director informed the board not all counties report in Gateway.

RJ Dunavan inquired about a flat rate across the board. Scott Craig informed the board that there is not a legal way to do a flat way but he will inquire with DLFG.

Scott Craig also informed the board that Solid Waste does not get the recognition. Scott also informed the board the public has interest in the recycling

Scott informed the board that if the tax proposal gets passed. The county would not have to provide the \$25,000 a year operating funds. Solid Waste would be funded thru the tax.

Board would like to have the director to look at all other options. Possibly a lower tax percentage.

Public Comment –

Joanie Kanizer wants to let the board know how good of a job that Garage #1 does during the fall and spring clean up days. Also, she told the board that during the fall clean up days there was an item put in the dumpster that should not have been. The contactor of the dumpsters was not happy.

Director asked Joanie to have the contractor to get ahold of him to discuss the problem.

RJ Dunavan is asking the county attorney Jon Spurr if a stipend can be paid to all the employees who work the clean up days along with their regular pay.

Director suggested possibly incorporate the stipend into the 2026 budget.

Next schedule meeting March 12th, 2025 at 8:30 a.m.

With no additions or corrections, the minutes were approved on the 15th day of January, 2025.

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Leonard Helt

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James Hall

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Scott Karanovich

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RJ Dunavan

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Ashley Peffley

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Rick Weir