

January 16, 2025

A regular meeting of the Buena Vista County Solid Waste Agency was held on January 16, 2025, at the Storm Lake City Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairman Erik Mosbo, with the following members present: Erik Mosbo, Tom Grafft, Jeff Westcott, Bruce McGowan, Kim Woltman, Barry Meyer, Jim Wise, and Dan Hartman. Members absent: Linn Grove, Mary Brooks, and Bill Henrich. Also present were Manager Lori Dicks, Accountant Jason Raveling, Attorney Gary Armstrong, and Insurance Agent Clark Fort.

Wise moved, and Meyer seconded, to approve the agenda. The motion carried with all members voting aye. Wise moved, and Meyer seconded, to approve the minutes of the December 11 meeting. The motion carried with all members voting aye.

Discussion was held regarding election of officers. Nominations for the board were as follows: Erik Mosbo for Chairman, Tom Grafft for Vice Chairman, Kim Woltman for Secretary, and Dan Hartman for Treasurer. Wise moved for approval, and Westcott seconded. The motion carried with all members voting aye. The Executive Board consists of four officers and one additional member. A motion was made by Westcott to nominate Barry Meyer to fill the Executive Board seat, with a second by Wise. The motion carried with all members voting aye. The CBHHWA board includes Manager Lori Dicks and three additional members. Grafft moved, and Hartman seconded, to elect Jeff Westcott, Kim Woltman, and Bruce McGowan to the hazardous waste board. The motion carried with all members voting aye.

Manager Dicks reported under the Engineer's Report that SCS submitted the Leachate Control System Performance Evaluation and the 2024 Annual Gas Reports on January 14. Landfill well and gas measurements were performed on January 6.

The financial report was presented by Jason Raveling from Hunzelman, Putzier & Co. The financial statement showed \$118,914 in operating receipts and \$160,772 in operating disbursements for the month of December. The outstanding balance due from customers is \$92,645.06, with \$8,442 earned in interest. The decrease in cash of \$10,399 brings the total fund balance to \$2,591,467, with \$514,088 restricted for closure/post-closure. The total unpaid bills as of December 31 were \$176,432.56. Meyer moved, and Woltman seconded, to approve the unpaid bills. The motion carried with all members voting in favor.

Manager Dicks presented the written Manager's Report. A fire occurred inside the main recycling building on December 21. Recovery and restoration needs were discussed. The entire building was impacted by soot, and the skid loader that burned is considered a total loss. Additionally, a Contamination Recycling Policy was reviewed. Dicks expressed concerns about potential decreased participation but acknowledged the necessity of receiving clean loads, as labor and disposal expenses to remove waste from the loads are not sustainable. Woltman moved to approve the policy, with Hartman seconding. The policy will take effect on April 1, 2025. The motion carried with all members voting aye.

Woltman addressed the Commission regarding the day and time of the monthly meetings and made a motion to move the meeting start time to 5:00 PM. Grafft seconded the motion. The motion carried with all members voting aye.

At 7:17 PM, Wise moved to adjourn the meeting, with a second by Grafft. The motion carried with all members voting aye. The next meeting will be held on February 13, 2025, at 5:00 PM at the Storm Lake City Council Chamber.

Respectfully submitted-Lori Dicks