

**DEL NORTE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY**  
**Minutes of 28 May 2013**  
**Del Norte County Board of Supervisors Chambers**

PRESENT: Commissioner Rich Enea, Chair  
Commissioner Rick Holley  
Commissioner Mike Sullivan  
Commissioner Roger Gitlin  
Commissioner Mary Wilson

Legal Counsel Martha Rice  
Director Kevin Hendrick  
Program Manager and Clerk Tedd Ward  
Treasurer/Controller Richard Taylor

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Tom Sparrow, Recology Del Norte  
Wes White, Hambro/WSG  
Eugene Palazzo, Crescent City Manager  
Brian McNalley, Del Norte County Environmental Health  
Wes Nunn, Del Norte Solid Waste Task Force  
Andrea Wadsworth, Del Norte Solid Waste Management  
Authority Employees Union, SEIU Local 1021  
Kathryn Murray, Crescent City Councilperson

The meeting was called to order by Chair Enea at the hour of 3:32 P.M., with all parties present as heretofore designated.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

The Chair called for public comments at 3:33 P.M. The following people addressed the Board:

Elizabeth Henry, County resident, addressed the Board regarding the need for correct information issued to the public, and information reported on KIEM TV regarding comparing Authority rates to other facilities in the region. Ms. Henry alleged that some of the information in the KIEM report based on comments from Commissioner Gitlin was incorrect. She also commented on landfill insurance.

Richard Miles, City resident, addressed the Board regarding the recent joint City-County meeting, self-haulers, and franchise fees.

Eileen Evermore, Gasquet resident, addressed the Board regarding her satisfaction with the current rates and services.

Donna Thompson, County resident, addressed the Board regarding support for and satisfaction with the current services and joint powers authority.

The Chair closed public comment at 3:42 P.M.

## **REPORT FROM THE SOLID WASTE TASK FORCE 200101**

Wes Nunn addressed the Board on this item. He reported that the Solid Waste Task Force would like to see revisions to the City and County Code to incorporate relevant sections from the Authority Ordinances for uniformity of enforcement.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

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Approve payment of invoice from EBA Engineering in the amount of \$5727.50 for Landfill Environmental Services.

Approve payment of invoice from Smith and Newell in the amount of \$8850 for annual audit for Fiscal Year 2012/2013.

On a motion by Commissioner Gitlin, seconded by Commissioner Holley, by a polled vote the consent agenda was approved unanimously.

### **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Director Hendrick discussed the following topics within the Director's report:

- Treasurer/Controller Report for April 2013
- Claims approved by Director for April 2013
- Monthly Cash and Charge Reports for April 2013
- Earned Revenue Comparisons between FY11/12 and FY12/13
- Letter to the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) requesting a Reduction in Post-Closure Financial Assurance Multiplier for the Crescent City Landfill

## END DIRECTORS REPORT

### **DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS:**

#### **WATER MONITORING & ANALYSIS 011801**

Program Manager Ward addresses the Board regarding Change Order 1 for the contract with North Coast Laboratories for laboratory analysis of water samples from the Crescent City Landfill.

On a motion by Commissioner Sullivan, seconded by Commissioner Gitlin, and approved by a unanimously polled vote, the Board approved Change Order 1.

#### **SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY BUDGET 022102**

Director Hendrick addressed the Board regarding the proposed FY2013/2014 Budget and schedule a public hearing on June 25 for final adoption. Discussion followed. Commissioner Wilson asked for a column of 'actual expenses to date' to be included in final budget prior to adoption.

By consensus, the Board directed staff to set a public hearing for this budget for June 25, 2013.

#### **SOLID WASTE JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY 101503**

Director Hendrick addressed the Board regarding continued discussion and evaluation of alternatives to the Del Norte Solid Waste Management Authority, including possible withdrawal or privatization. Director Hendrick identified several questions that should be posed to the I-Bank, who holds the bond-financed lease agreement, about what options may be available to the County and City should either or both withdraw from the Authority. Counsel Rice offered to provide an executive summary of the four I-Bank lease documents, though she said some questions related to these agreements that only I-Bank will be able to answer. Commissioner Holley asked what problem is to be fixed by this process, and suggested that a management audit might be a prudent first step. Commissioner Gitlin expressed concerns about costs to the public. Commissioner Sullivan expressed his concerns about the structure of the JPA, versus the service which he thinks is satisfactory. Discussion followed.

Andrea Wadsworth, Richard Miles, Elizabeth Henry, Bill Longsdale (who submitted a written letter), City Councilmember Kathryn Murray, Andy Larson,

Karen Rath, Eileen Evermore, and Tom Sparrow of Recology Del Norte addressed the Board on this issue.

Commissioner Sullivan moved that a City Commissioner, a County Commissioner, the Authority Director and Program Manager meet with representatives from Recology Del Norte, Hambro/WSG, the City Manager and the County CAO, plus Authority legal counsel and a representative from the Del Norte Solid Waste Task Force meet to discuss what options are available to execute the responsibilities currently administered by the Authority. Commissioner Gitlin seconded the motion. Discussion followed.

Elizabeth Henry addressed the Board on this motion, asking what problem was to be addressed. Richard Miles addressed the Board on the motion.

The motion passed by a unanimous polled vote.

*Commissioners Gitlin and Sullivan leave the meeting at 4:50 P.M.*

As all other action items require at least one County vote for passage, and many of the informational items pertain to the County-owned landfill, the Chair tabled all remaining agenda items to the next regular Authority meeting.

The Del Norte Solid Waste Management Authority adjourned at the hour of 4:51 P.M., to reconvene in Regular Session, on June 25, 2013, at the hour of 3:30 P.M., at the Board of Supervisors Chambers, Flynn Center, 981 "H" Street, Crescent City, California.

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Richard Enea, Chair  
Del Norte Solid Waste Management Authority

ATTEST:

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Tedd Ward, Clerk and Program Manager  
Del Norte Solid Waste Management Authority