

DEL NORTE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY  
MINUTES  
JANUARY 24, 2011  
3:30 p.m.

Del Norte County Board of Supervisors Chambers

**PRESENT:** Chair Kathryn Murray  
Vice Chair Martha McClure  
Commissioner Michael Sullivan  
Commissioner Leslie McNamer  
Commissioner Gerry Hemmingsen  
Commissioner David Finigan  
Commissioner Rich Enea  
Commissioner Kelly Schellong  
Commissioner Donna Westfall  
Commissioner Richard Holley  
Legal Counsel Martha Rice  
Treasurer/Controller Richard Taylor  
Director Kevin Hendrick  
Program Manager Tedd Ward  
Clerk Rose Reppond

**ABSENT:**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Murray at the hour of 3:30 P.M., with all parties present as heretofore designated.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

The Chair called for Public Comments.

The following people addressed the Board: Andy Larson commented that the agenda was large and it was challenging to review prior to the meeting. Richard Miles addressed the Board regarding his concerns on composting. Bill Longsdale commented that he was satisfied with Recology Del Norte's service, but he was concerned about the wind blowing the carts over. Paul Dillard suggested that the Authority meetings be broadcast on the web like the Board of Supervisor's and City Council meetings. Mary Wilson addressed the Board concerning commercial collection rates.

The Chair closed the Public Comment at 3:41 P.M. and returned to the Consent Agenda.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Commissioner Hemmingsen asked that items 3.1, 3.2, and 4.1 to be pulled from the consent agenda.

Commissioner Schellong recues herself from item 2.1. Chair Murray called for public comment.

On a motion by Commissioner Hemmingsen and seconded by Commissioner McClure and unanimously carried on a polled vote the remaining items on the consent agenda were approved.

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Claims approved by the Director for December 2011

Monthly Cash and Charge Report for December 2011

Revenue Comparison between 2010 and 2011

Richard Taylor addressed the board regarding the Treasurer/Controller Report.

The Board directed staff to meet with the County Auditors office and requested the depreciation schedule to the February meeting items 3.1 and 3.2 were tabled to the February meeting.

**MISCELLANEOUS CONSENT ITEMS:**

Director Hendrick discussed the letter received from the Law Offices of Robert Black, notifying of the annual increase in billing rate for Martha Rice, effective January 01, 2012 pursuant to the approved legal services agreement and waiver of rate increase for Robert Black. Discussion followed. Commission Finnigan clarified that this item was for information related to an existing agreement. Chair called for Public Comment. 4:04 PM Victoria Dickey addressed the board regarding increase in Martha Rice rates.

Richard Miles addressed the board regarding the funding source.

Chair closed the closed Public Comment period and returned to the agenda 4:07 PM  
Consensus of the board was to receive and file the letter.

**GENERAL SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY MATTERS:**

**DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS:**

On a motion by Commissioner Sullivan and seconded by Commissioner Hemmingsen the board agreed to next address agenda item 8.10 Election of Officers a polled vote with Commissioner Schellong and McClure voting No.

**AUTHORITY OFFICERS - 160504**

On a motion by Commission Finnigan and seconded by Commissioner Schellong on a polled with Commissioner Murray voting No, Commissioner Hemmingsen was elected Chair of the Del Norte Solid Waste Management Authority.

Chair called for Public comment,

Richard Miles addressed the board a expressed his feelings on the Election process.

**LANDFILL – CLOSURE:**

**CA. WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD – NORTH COAST REGION- 230101-A**

Program Manager Tedd Ward discussed the Semiannual Monitoring Report for the Crescent City Landfill for the Reporting Period of July 2011 – Dec 2011.

*Commissioner Westfall left the meeting 4:30 PM*

*Commissioner Westfall returned to the meeting 4:35 PM*

Discussion followed, no action taken.

**CA. WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD – NORTH COAST REGION- 230102**

Program Manager Ward discussed the status of denial of appeal regarding fee assessment for Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) FROM THE State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB). Discussion followed.

*Commissioner McNamer left the meeting 4:37 PM*

*Commissioner McNamer returned the meeting 4:41 PM*

Commissioner McClure suggested to avoid fines, pay the bill and see if we can get in contact with SWRCB State Water Resource Control Board.

On a motion by Commissioner Finnigan and seconded by Commissioner McClure, and passed by a unanimous vote,

1. The Authority board directed staff to Pay the Annual WDR fee in the amount of \$52,697 in two payments, with the second half to be paid after the start of the next fiscal year, and
2. That Authority staff continue to pursue political strategies to have the threat or complexity rating for the Crescent City Landfill or the amount of the associated WDR Fee reduced, and
3. Return to a future Authority meeting for review of a potential strategy and preliminary cost-assessment for installing and monitoring additional piezometers and/or groundwater wells at the Crescent City Landfill as part of a 'recategorizing' application to reduce the threat-complexity rating for this landfill and to thereby reduce the annual WDR fee payments.

Chair called for Public comment, Richard Miles addressed the board

#### **CLOSURE, LANDFILL –FINANCIAL ASSURANCE – 060901**

#### **CLOSURE, & POST CLOSURE MAINTENAN CE LANDFILL – 130102**

Program Manager Ward addressed the board and gave the status on the Application to reduce multiplier for post-closure liability. Discussion followed. Status report, no action taken.

#### **FRANCHISE ITEMS:**

#### **RECOLOGY DEL NORTE – 061802**

Program Manager Ward addressed the board and gave an overview of Franchise Collection Contract with Recology Del Norte. In August 2011, the Authority signed and executed the Franchise Agreement for Solid Waste and Recyclables Collection Services for Crescent City and Del Norte County, California between the Del Norte Solid Waste Management Authority and Recology Del Norte. Status report only, no action taken.

The following persons offered public comments on this item: Mary Wilson, Victoria Dickey, Ron Plechaty, and Richard Miles.

**TRANSFER STATION:**

**COLLECTION PROCEDURES/CREDIT APPLICATION – 012103**

**COLLECTION OF OVERDUE CHARGE ACCOUNTS POLICIES - 151901**

Director Hendrick and Administrative Assistant Reppond discussed the Collection procedures and New Credit Application and Agreement to establish more clear and enforceable terms for collection of overdue accounts. Discussion followed.

On a motion by Commissioner McClure, and seconded by Commissioner Schellong

the Authority board approved the collection procedures for charge accounts and approve the new Credit Application and Charge Account Agreement, including penalties and interest for late payments on a polled vote with Commissioner Westfall voting No.

The following persons offered public comments on this item: Andy Larson, Paul Dillard, and Ron Plechaty.

*Commissioner Schellong left the meeting at 5:34 PM*

**PILOT FOR DEL NORTE HOME- GENERATED SHARPS COLLECTIONS**

Program Manager Ward addressed the board regarding approval to propose a partnership with the Del Norte Health Care District and others to establish expanding collection location for used sharps (needles). The Board gave consensus direction to do each of the following.

1. Work with the Open Door Clinic, Del Norte Health Care District, and the County Department of Social Services, United Indian Health Services, Hambro/WSG, and Sutter Coast Hospital to pursue one or more potential pilot programs to expand the convenience for collection of home generated sharps in Del Norte County, and
2. Use available resources under HD18-09-006 Objective 6 to promote and establish such pilot programs as allowed under the grant agreement, and

3. Return to the Authority Board at a later date to describe how the Del Norte sharps pilot will work, or the efforts that were made to establish a pilot program, and the barriers that were encountered in that effort.

Discussion followed.

The following persons addressed the board with public comment Richard Miles, Andy Larson, and Ron Plechaty.

### **CARPET RECYCLING PILOT PROGRAM – 161806**

Director Hendrick discussed the conditional approval by Val Recycle of a Carpet Stewardship Plan submitted by Carpet America Recycling Effort (CARE). Discussion followed. By consensus direction to staff, the Board approved the Authority's participation in a one year pilot program with CARE to collect and recycle carpet for a reduced cost.

### **BUDGET REVISION – 022101**

Director Hendrick discussed the Budget Transfer Request in the amount of \$13,000.00. Discussion followed. On a motion by Commissioner McClure and seconded by Commissioner McNamer with Commissioner Schellong absent the board approved the Budget Transfer Request in the amount of \$13,000.00.

The Del Norte Solid Waste Management Authority adjourned at the hour of 5:45 P.M., to reconvene in Regular Session, on February 28, 2011, 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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Gerry Hemmingsen, Chair  
Del Norte Solid Waste Management  
Authority

ATTEST:

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Rosemarie Reppond Clerk  
Del Norte Solid Waste Management Authority