

Notes from the LAWPCA Board Meeting of February 13, 2015

Vivian

Directors Present: Phil, John, Pete, Norm, Dave, Mark, Howard

Staff present: Mc, Travis, Vivian

Guests: Gene Barker, Casella

1. Call to Order 8:00 a.m.
2. Consent Agenda Dave Jones, Pete Preble -unanimous
3. Casella Presentation
 - 8949 cubic yards land applied in 2014 Season
 - Nothing to other facilities (landfill or Hawk ridge Compost Facility)
 - 10 farms served
 - Revived permit from DEP to keep Barker Farm storage pad open year round
 - Casella contracted with LAWPCA secure additional biosolids to improve LAWPCA composting from other treatment plants: Portland East End, Westbrook and South Portland
 - Casella at its own expense improved several farm roads on LAWPCA permitted sites.
 - Closed out leachate pond at Barker farm
 - Goals for 2015: Remain cost effective, Improve Barker pad, keep excellent EMS record (no spills in 2014), and get permit amendments for longer stockpiling period.

Discussion: Board requested that Mac share with "groups" (visitors, tours) that LAWPCA land application program is successful in keeping Maine farms viable.

4. Public Questions: No Public Present
5. Financial reports
 - Waiting on audit to adjust cost apportionment
 - Monthly reports approved: Howard, Dave – unanimous
6. AD Update
 - Board commended Travis for the electrical generation graphs in Board packet
 - Discussion continuing issues with Gen #1 (daily over heating). The Board wants Mac to express their displeasure with the generator issues, to Methuen Construction, and make it clear the Board is considering legal action in addition to withholding/keeping retainage funds. The Board expects Tech 3 to repair/replace on warranty Generator 1.
 - LAWPCA has hired Heavy Machines to do an independent investigation for causes of the generator issues.
7. Old Business
 - Influent Repair: T Buck began preliminary work this week. LAWPCA staff has completed the By Pass Pumping Plan for submission to DEP.

- Dewatering: Wright Pierce will be submitting the preliminary design in two weeks. This will include improvements to sludge bay for the use of roll off containers. This will make trucking more efficient.
- Penley Corner Sub-Committee: Mac will set up a meeting soon.
- CS Master Plan: Partners are happy with DEPs cooperative attitude. CDM bill discussed. This work was properly bid by CSO Master Plan partners and does not need separate Board action.
- Work on design issues, including definition of a One year Storm, continues.

8. New Business

- Chairman Nadeau expressed his dissatisfaction with Staff for not keeping Board apprised of upcoming term expiration schedule for Board of Directors. Board agrees Director Lamie's position remains as appointed until replaced or re-appointed. Staff will set up a reporting system to advise Board of upcoming appointments six months in advance.
- Executive Session to discuss Union negotiations: Howard, Pete unanimous 8:45 am. (Vivian not there for vote, but contract approved)

9. Superintendents Report

- Discussed: St. Mary's regional Medical center will be de-listed as an SOIU. This has been agreed upon by Lewiston Public Works. Board also agrees.
- Board members must decline invitation to AC/EC Banquet but congratulated CDM on their award.
- SLRF program is being impacted by infrequent meetings of the Maine Bond Bank Board of Directors. LAWPCA may need to access reserves for temporary funding to pay bills on bonded projects. Wright Pierce will also extend bill payment schedule if necessary.

10. Adjourn: 9:24 a.m.