

Dubois County Solid Waste Management District Board Meeting  
August 19, 2024

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Dubois County Solid Waste Management District was held in the Commissioners/Council Room of the Courthouse Annex at 7:30 a.m. on August 19, 2024. Present at the meeting were Board Members Serice Stenftenagel, Chad A. Blessinger, Nick Hostetter, Sonya Haas, Dean M. Vonderheide, Kevin Manley, and Ken Sicard. Also present were District Director Carla Striegel–Winner, Sanitation District employee Micaela Spayd, County Attorney Gregory S. Schnarr, and Controller Martha A. Wehr. Advisory Board Member Randy Boehm was absent. The meeting was called to order by Nick Hostetter beginning at 7:30 a.m.

**RE: FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Controller Wehr stated that the checking account balance was \$293,518.53

**RE: CLAIMS:**

On motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved and authorized payment of the following claims for the months of July and August as follows:

Claims for July		Claims for August	
Cecil's Printing	756.00	Hoosier Business Machines	38.28
Hoosier Business Machines, Inc.	38.28	AISWMD	275.00
WM Corporate Services, Inc	340.23	Graduate Bloomington	226.00
Invite Management	452.00	Carla Striegel-Winner	45.34
Dubois County Free Press	60.00	Patoka Lake Regional Water District	100.00
Dubois-Spencer Cos Publishing	121.00	WITZ	391.00
Verizon	49.27	Dubois Spencer Cos Publishing	75.00
Ireland Utilities, Inc.	24.07	Rumpke of Indiana, LLC	655.19
PSC	4.95	Invironmental Technologies	160.00
Orange County REMC	85.95	WM Corporate Services, Inc.	2,086.68
Dubois REC, Inc	63.02	Messmer Mechanical	340.00
SynEnergy	612.23	United Refrigeration	156.00
	\$1,368.23	Top Cat Printing, Inc.	536.45
		Dubois County Free Press	60.00
		Verizon	49.27
		State Board of Accounts	3,799.17
		Dubois REC, Inc.	65.48
		Orange Co. REMC	85.93
		PSC	4.95
		ProLift Toyota Payment Processing	214.38
		SynEnergy	267.29
		Dubois County LP Gas	88.06
		Uebelhor	398.22

Dubois County Solid Waste Management District Board Meeting  
August 19, 2024

Dubois County Tire and Supply	525.58
	\$10,643.27

A motion was made by Ken Sicard to accept the claims as presented and that motion was seconded by Chad Blessinger. The claims were unanimously accepted by all board members.

**RE: MINUTES:**

Minutes of the last meeting of the Board, held on June 17, 2024, were approved as previously distributed to the Board Members. A motion was made by Chad Blessinger to accept the minutes, and that motion was seconded by Ken Sicard. The minutes were unanimously accepted by all board members.

**RE: SANITATION DISTRICT:**

Nothing new to report.

**RE: AUDIT UPDATE:**

Carla gave a brief update on the final results of the audit. There were no reportable instances of noncompliance. Carla is working with Greg Schnarr to put together a Capital Asset Policy. She also discussed how the accounts payable and receivable are to be reported in the annual financial report.

**RE: SOLID WASTE OPERATIONS MANAGER & PROCESS ATTENDANT:**

The new Operations Manager is Danielle Betz, and she began her new position on July 29th. Carla also stated that a new process attendant was also hired.

**RE: FACILITY & TRUCKS – ISUZU UPDATE:**

Carla gave an update on the Isuzu truck. She is unable to find a suitable replacement. There have been some expenses for repairs.

**RE: PROPERTY MAINTENANCE & DUMPING:**

There are two open property maintenance issues at this time. There have been 15 illegal dumps so far in 2024, and that is on trend to prior years.

**RE: GRANTS UPDATE:**

Carla gave a brief update on the following grants:

IDEM Waste Tire Grant 2024- A full media release has not been done, but has handed out flyers at the 4-H Fair and Ag Day. More promotions will be done once more tires are received. There is a link on our

Dubois County Solid Waste Management District Board Meeting  
August 19, 2024

website to register to bring in tires for recycling. Approximately \$2,000 of the \$8,000 has been spent so far, and IDEM will reimburse 100%.

IDEM Recycling Market and Development Program (RMDP) – Carla discussed the grant and handed out examples of past grants. There has not been a discussion with the City of Jasper regarding a partnership but is still in the plans. This is a 50% matching grant, and anyone can apply.

IDEM Community Recycling Grant Program (CRGP) –From August 1 to Sept 6 and the grants awarded are to be awarded by December 31<sup>st</sup> and plans on applying for this 75% matching grant. Carla also spoke with the Sisters of St. Benedict about a grant opportunity.

**RE: DISTRICT UPDATE/ACTIVITIES:**

The following topics were briefly discussed:

**RE: NOW/UPCOMING:**

Sept 14, Oct 5, Nov 2 - Saturday Hours at Process Center, 8-12 noon

Aug – State Chemist Pesticide Clean Sweep days

August 28 – Sanitation drop-site attendant meeting

September 28 - Patoka Lake Clean Up event

October 8/9/10 - AISWMD & SWANA Conferences

**Re: PAST:**

July 13 - 4-H Fair Recycling Projects Judging – 13 projects in total were turned in for all three age groups.

July 15-18 - 6-9 pm 4 H Fair Booth- Carla thanked Chad Blessinger worked the booth one evening

July 31 - Ag Recycling Day - Good turn out with over 4000 jugs recycled (last year was 2900). Media was there, also thanks to Jasper Salvage and to Highway Department

Aug 5 - Forklift Safety Training for Danielle and Dennis provided by Mark with Bliss McNight

July and August - Several meetings- watershed, 2 council meetings, HHW Task Force monthly meetings, Directors Roundtable zoom, etc.

**RE: UPCOMING MEETING:**

The next meeting will be held on Monday, October 21, 2024, at 7:30am in the Commissioners/Council Room due to voting.

**RE: ADJOURN:**

Dean Vonderheide made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and the motion was seconded by Ken Sicard. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 am.