

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE **CARLSBAD BOARD OF SOLID WASTE COMMISSIONERS** OF THE CITY OF CARLSBAD, NEW MEXICO, HELD AT CITY HALL IN THE PLANNING ROOM ON JANUARY 18, 2017 AT 3:30 P.M.

Voting Members Present: Jerry Stanley, Chairman – Member at large  
John Beasley, Board – Ward 3  
Jim Grantner, Board – Ward 4  
Lisa Flores, Board – Ward 1  
Alvin Doporto, Board – Ward 2

Voting Members Absent: None

Ex-Officio Members Absent: Mayor Dale Janway  
Steve McCutcheon, City Administrator

Board Secretary Present: Absent

Staff Present: Wendy Hammett, Finance Director  
Ruben Ramirez, Solid Waste Superintendent  
Raquel Leyva, Solid Waste Trainee  
Mary Garwood, Beautification Coordinator  
Stephanie Shumsky, Deputy City Administrator

Others Present: Scott Goodale, Resident

Jerry Stanley called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

**1. ROLL CALL OF VOTING MEMBERS and DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

Jerry Stanley called the roll of voting members, determining that five of the five appointed board members were in attendance, which constitutes a quorum.

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Jerry Stanley called for a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Jim Grantner made the motion, which was seconded by John Beasley. The vote was as follows: Yes –Beasley Doporto, Grantner, Florez and Stanley. No – none. Abstain – none. Absent – none. The motion carried.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF November 18, 2016 MEETING**

Jim Grantner made the motion to approve the November 16, 2016 minutes as presented. Alvin Doporto seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Yes –Beasley, Doporto, Grantner, Flores and Stanley. No – none. Abstain – none. Absent – none. The motion carried.

**4. DISCUSS QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS FROM CITIZENS**

*Jerry Stanley asked the staff and the board if there were any concerns or questions. John Beasley stated he was concerned about the safety of the employee operating the glass pulverizer at the convenience station. Ruben Ramirez and Albert Moisa were call to be present and witness what John Beasley was concerned about. Ruben Ramirez came up with an idea of building a cat walk all around the top of the pulverizer so that the employee operating it would not fall back when trying to pour glass from the top. Ruben did have Terri*

*Mathis the shop superintendent along with a welder at the convenience station to measure. The material has been ordered but operations have stopped until catwalk is complete. Jerry Stanley stated he watched the Grapple truck grab glass and pour it into the pulverizer he is concerned about the amount of plastic and cardboard that went into the pulverizer as well. He would like to have a sign at each green container drop off station stating " No Cardboard or Plastic" then also have a roll-out trash bin there as well so the customer can dispose of the extra debris. The main concern that Stanley has is the amount of granule that is left now, then when he saw the process a year ago. Jerry Stanley would like us to contact the manufacturer to see if there is a cleaning process that needs to be done in order for there to be more sand than granule. Scott Goodale suggested to reach out to some local companies in town that specialize in crushing bore, rock and glass and could receive information on how to clean the screens. Ruben stated with time we have learned how to clean screens for a better product, it does require a safety process and has to happen each month but it has been successful. Jim Grantner added that he would like Scott Goodale to implement safety for all employees if Recycle is restored.*

## **5. REPORTS AND UPDATES**

- a. Financials-Wendy Hammett stated that as of November Solid Waste Revenue report is \$478,000.00 dollars, which \$9,000.00 dollars is favorable to budget which year to date is 2.5 million which is \$127,000.00 favorable to budget and we are 105% in revenues. Wendy also stated that we're on target with \$600,000.00 in favorable revenues. On the budget summary expenses November's cost is \$521,000.00 and year to date is 1.6 million, so cash flow is more than our expenses. Jim Grantner requested an extra analysis report. Hammett said she would get a cost analysis for fiscal year 2012 for him.
- b. Solid Waste- Ruben Ramirez stated that the same numbers still read zero for recycling. We do still have one truck running recycle for cardboard but since we can't take it to rainbow it has to go to the landfill. Ramirez stated the mulching at the treatment plant has stopped and is still in the process of recruiting quotes. Scott's Landscaping is one of the businesses who have come back with a quote of \$90.00 to \$100.00 per hour including equipment 40 hours a week. It will consist of having a two to three man team with a tractor truck. Jerry Stanley wanted to know how Solid Waste would gage the glass pulverizer. Ramirez stated by uncrushed glass that is filled by our 15 yd. container which is filled once a week from our green glass only recycle 3 yd. containers at the Lamont site, Buffalo Wild Wings, Lucky Bull, Elk's Club, and the convenience station. Jerry Stanley wanted to know why without any recycling why the delivering to the landfill number keeps dropping. Ramirez stated that Mike Hernandez said at the last meeting "You take a piece of paper and just the corner of the paper is the drop off of the amount of Recycle that was being dropped off at Rainbow. Stephanie Shumsky wanted to know what a reject was. Ramirez stated it was anyone who was a Commercial Contractor or had demolition from a home was not allowed into the convenience station that type of debris has to go to the landfill.
- c. Public Outreach Campaign-Stephanie Shumsky wanted to know what the city employees did at the convenience station. Ramirez stated that the employees took down license plate numbers, whether they are city or county, and keep track of city employees who dispose of their debris that are collected throughout their workday. Jerry Stanley wants Kyle to educate the public why the rates went up especially the ones who had recycle roll-outs or containers

and were picked up. John Beasley stated that the roll-outs that are kept in the street look like crap and wants them rolled back up to the residents home at the end of the day. Shumsky stated that she will do another solid waste update on the new rates, rolling barrel back to the residence at the end of the day and no dumping in alleys. Ramirez stated that we do have our solid waste coordinator going out from 8:00am to 12:00pm into the field notifying each resident of the correct ordinances. We also issued a flier to each resident in a flier when we delivered the roll-outs.

#### **6. UPDATE ON RECYCLING POSSIBILITIES BY SCOTT GOODALE**

Scott Goodale stated for the past 4 months I've been making various points of discussion to commissioners, corporations, as well as private citizens in the area. Through all of it the goal was to come up with some possible solutions to make recycle sustainable here in Carlsbad. Goodale stated that some corporations have accraply contributed up to this point. These corporations will be interested if it will be a non- profit organization. The 1<sup>st</sup> option would be a 3<sup>rd</sup> part involvement. This would include that Waste Management (WM) with a hub in Hobbs would run all aspects of the picking up of recycle using their own ARC trucks and containers. This option also includes free service to residents and the city. Goodale also said that this is a fine line because you will be bringing in a contractor to be running routes that will be along- side Carlsbad city employees, residents and possible conflict with the Union. Grantner wanted to know if this would be voluntary of the residents and commercial to participate. Goodale stated yes it would be voluntary for the residents and Commercial all you would have to do is call and request a recycle barrel or container just like they do now. Grantner stated that he sees a problem right off the bat because we do not have full information on the structure or the minimum amount of business needed before Waste Management would come in. Goodale stated he did not go any further to ask structure or amount, all he knows is that they are showing interest and moving this way. WIPP, Mosaic, Navajo along with other corporations are considering this direction as well. Goodale does not speak for anybody, or a resident he speaks for an individual these are just proposals all he did was gather as much information and asked enough questions to come to this point he is merely a volunteer. Goodale states that our key contributors that are willing to put in money are slowly pulling away and losing interest. Shumsky stated if these options sound good to the board then we can move forward. Goodale wants to know how important recycle is to the city of Carlsbad, do we want it to be low driven or do we want to run it like any other town does. Goodale doesn't know how fast they can get here but he wants us to know that if it's not profitable enough they can pick up and leave just like CARC. Jerry Stanley stated if the city is interested in Waste Management our top people should get a hold of their top people and say we are interested let us have a proposal just like Goodale has done and go from there. Scott Goodale read option 2 from his presentation to the solid waste board and staff. Goodale read the financial of plastic and cardboard per ton. These Numbers came straight from the article Waste Management posted. Mary Garwood stated that asking for a \$100 per ton for plastic is actually being conservative because it normally goes for \$300 to \$400 per ton. Goodale stated if we remove plastic and were not making any on sales we will still be in the positive. Goodale states we can take out residential and just have apartments, commercial, and government our labor fee goes down we will still be ahead. Lisa Florez stated we could utilize community service to our benefit to profit as well. Shumsky stated that council would be more hesitant to increase the rate of residential. We need to propose \$1.00 mandatory for residential recycle instead of \$2.00. Shumsky would want people to sign up voluntarily first so we had a handle on how many people were really

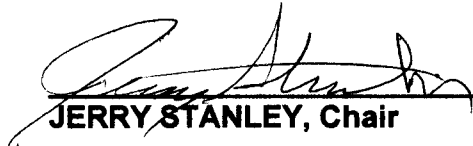
interested in doing this and if we didn't get 800 or that magic number we just wouldn't move forward. Shumsky also asked Goodale and the solid waste board if they were at the point where the board could recommend what options they preferred. Grantner stated he was not at that point and Shumsky stated she preferred option 2A for residential and 2B for commercial.

**7. ANNUAL REVIEW DISCUSSION/CHAIRMAN CHALLENGE**

Jerry Stanley asked the solid waste board to give their opinion on how tasks and goals were met in 2016. Jim Grantner replied the changes that have been made are helping the solid waste board and staff move forward to where it needs to be. Jerry Stanley asked Jim Grantner what his priorities were going forward in 2017. Beasley stated we didn't accomplish nearly what we should have in 2016. Jim Grantner stated there were goals in place in 2016 and those goals need to be accomplished before new goals are added. Alvin Doporto agreed that they were moving in the right direction but the solid waste ordinance needs to be checked off. Jerry Stanley stated there were a lot of positive changes in solid waste including the new convenience station opening on call grapple service and glass recycling but he would like to see more restaurants and bars participating in the glass recycling program. Stanley also added that his goal for 2017 is to solve the recycling problem finish the city ordinance including rates and devise a plan for a true transfer station. Stanley stated in order for the meetings to run smoothly he is asking for the board and staff to work on cell phone usage. Stanley would like cell phones silenced before meeting comes to order this is to give courtesy to the other board and staff members, talking over each other. Every board and staff members opinion is very important and needs to be heard, and attendance Stanley has added a new policy to the board which states the meeting will start on time if there is no quorum the board will wait 10 minutes but if you notified another board member or staff that you will be late the meeting will start 15 minutes after time. Stanley also went on and added if a board member cannot make the meeting they need to call or email the solid waste staff and if there is no quorum the meeting will not start as board members arrive.

**8. MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Jerry Stanley called for a motion to adjourn. John Beasley made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Jim Grantner. The vote was as follows: Yes – Flores, Beasley Doporto, and Grantner. No – none. Abstain – none. Absent – none. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:25 p.m.

  
JERRY STANLEY, Chair