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PUBLIC NOTICE NORTHEAST INDIANA SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

**Location: District Office
Tuesday, February 9th, 2016
6:30 P.M.**

Agenda

- 6:30 p.m. Convene Board Meeting
- 6:32 p.m. Minutes of December 8th, 2015
- 6:35 p.m. Treasurer's Report/Registry of Claims
- 6:45 p.m. Draft Resolution 2016 – 1, Program Fees. Discussion only.
- 7:00 p.m. Executive Committee Report:
 - Introduce new Board Members
 - Programs, Projects and Operations
 - Legislative Issues:
- 7:20 p.m. Other Items Pending
- 7:25 p.m. Public Comment
- 7:30 p.m. Adjourn



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Northeast Indiana Solid Waste Management District Board of Directors Meeting February 9, 2016

The Northeast Indiana Solid Waste Management District Board of Directors meeting began February 9, 2016 at 6:30 P.M. The Board of Directors meeting was held at the District Mayor Hickman, 1st Vice President, presided noting a **quorum was present for the meeting.**

Board Members Present: Bill VanWye, Gary Leatherman, Mayor Norm Yoder, Juan Arroyo, Wil Howard, Steve Brown, Harold Gingerich, Mayor Todd Fandt, Bernie Lawson & Mayor Richard Hickman.

Board Members Absent: Yvonne Eash, Ron Smith, Jackie Rowan, Terry Martin, Mayor Suzanne Handshoe & Patty Fisel.

District Attorney: Andrew Kruse

Public Present: Jim Smith -National Serv All, Nicole Garrison – Trine Student, Katelyn Kerslyn – Trine Student

Staff Present: Steve Christman, Pam DeCamp, Rich Caston, Thomas Kirkton and Ashley Howe

MINUTES: ACTION ITEM #1 – A motion to approve the December 8, 2015 minutes was made by Harold Gingerich. Motion seconded by Bill VanWye. Motion carried 9 yeas, 0 nays.

TREASURER’S REPORT AND REGISTRY OF CLAIMS – The Treasurer’s Report and Registry of Claims dated February 9, 2016 were reviewed. **ACTION ITEM #2 – A motion was made by Gary Leatherman to approve the Treasurer’s Report and Registry of Claims for February 9, 2016. Motion seconded by Bernie Lawson. Motion carried. 9 yeas, 0 nays.**

Juan Arroyo joined us at 6:42PM for fullboard meeting.

Bond 3767949 was brought before the board by Andrew Kruse, District legal counsel. It is a yearly bond for Randy Tilbury our comptroller. This is for December 21, 2014 – December 21, 2015 & December 21, 2015 – December 21, 2016. It has been signed, sealed & dated.

Draft Resolution 2016 - 1, Program Fees. Discussion only. – Steve explained to the fullboard that the prices have not changed at all, but we changed the layout. We wanted it to be clearer and less confusing to our customers. We plan to advertise and readopt hopefully during Aprils fullboard meeting.

Executive Committee Report:

- **Introduce new Board Member** – Steve introduced our new board member Mayor Todd Fiantt (Garrett) We also went around the entire room and each individual introduced themselves.
- **Audit Exit Conference January 19th, 2016** – Steve shared five total missed reimbursements from 2010-2015. Three of these were personal purchases as part of Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA) travel. The two remaining missed reimbursements were airfare for the Puerto Rico & Dallas SWANA Conferences, & one taxi ride. During the audit they also made it clear no local lunches (consultants, vendors etc) on district card unless it has been approved by our board. They mentioned when we had our computers all upgraded in 2014 they were unaware of where the actual computer went. Steve let them know we took them out back and recycled them. Randy Tilbury our comptroller has also had to make many changes before and during the exit conference. Steve felt it was right to bring this before the board so they were well aware what was going on. Steve got everything reimbursed immediately, along with opening up a private card for SWANA related Hoosier Chapter or International Board (IB) travel expenses.
- SWANA IB travel will no longer be going through District books anymore as it has become too cumbersome creating risk of missing reimbursement and creating poor perception of District operations. Directly auditable SWANA training expenses, when incurred, would be processed per usual. The final audit report should be released end of March beginning of April.

Update on Programs, Projects, and Operations

- LaGrange Convenience Center – Steve has gotten the approval from IDEM to build the pole barn, to be used for equipment storage and to aggregate recyclable materials for direct shipping.
- Steuben Convenience Center – Steve has gotten the approval from IDEM for a collection container system allowing development of bids for Phase 2 of the Steuben Convenience Center.
- Kendallville – After prolonged negotiation and effort Steve and Andrew Kruse, District legal counsel and IDEM finally came to an agreement after negotiating language acceptable to all parties and the Kendallville compost registration is completed and issued.

Legislative Issues

- Senate Bill 88 has been taken out and no longer is moving forward.
- Senate Bill 366 says a county can dissolve a district. It also removes power to adopt resolutions. This bill is moving forward & going to continue to. It was noted State elected officials do not want to hear from directors they want to hear from the local elected officials.

Jim Smith -National Serv All walked into meeting at 7:05PM.

Other Items Pending:

- A hard copy of our 25th Annual Report was handed out in each board member's package. It will be up on our website within the next couple of days.
- Michael Dungan with RES-Polyflow will be joining us for our April fullboard meeting. He will be doing a presentation and explaining exactly what RES-Polyflow does.
- March meeting will be cancelled.
- Harold Gingerich feels strongly even with all the legislative issues going on we should continue on with the projects we have already started. He thinks we should stick together as a board and support Steve. Steve asked the fullboard if they agreed with Harold for him to continue moving forward slow & steady as long as he kept them informed. Nobody disagreed.

Public Comment

- Norm wants to make sure every year we send the board a new copy of District Fullboard names & numbers.

Adjourn – ACTION #10 – A motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Norm Yoder. Motion seconded by Bill VanWye . Meeting adjourned.