

MINUTES OF THE DUBUQUE METROPOLITAN AREA
SOLID WASTE AGENCY

January 5, 2011

(draft minutes to be considered for approval at the next scheduled meeting)

MEMBERS PRESENT: Eric Manternach, Ric Jones, David Resnick

STAFF PRESENT: Don Vogt, Chuck Goddard, Doug Hughes, Bev Wagner, Mary Ann Specht

OTHERS PRESENT: Scott Dittmer, Joe Rettenmaier, Nita Wiederaenders

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. in the Conference Room at the City of Dubuque Municipal Services Center, 925 Kerper Ct., Dubuque, Iowa.

Motion made by Mr. Resnick, seconded by Mr. Manternach, carried unanimously to approve the minutes from the November 3, 2010 meeting.

Mr. Goddard presented the Landfill Gas Collection and Control System Project-Phase 1 Payment Application #5, in the amount of \$41,504.23 from J.B Holland Construction, Inc. Motion made by Mr. Resnick, seconded by Mr. Manternach, carried unanimously to concur with the staff recommendation and approve for payment.

Mr. Goddard reviewed the Landfill Security Camera Proposal, with Mr. Hughes providing additional information regarding the necessity of the installation of the camera system. Motion made by Mr. Resnick, seconded by Mr. Manternach, carried unanimously to concur with the staff recommendation to purchase the system from RACOM Corporation for the low bid amount of \$14,297.30.

Mr. Goddard provided an overview for the six-month extension proposal to extend the Dittmer Recycling Agreement through June 30, 2011. Motion made by Mr. Manternach, seconded by Mr. Resnick, carried unanimously to concur with the staff recommendation to extend the agreement.

Mr. Goddard presented a Waste Minimization Grant request from the City of Dubuque to fund 50% of the cost for recycling bins and lids in the amount of \$14,187.50. Motion made by Mr. Manternach, seconded by Mr. Resnick, carried unanimously to concur with the recommendation of the Waste Minimization Grant Review Committee and approve the request.

Mr. Vogt requested that the discussion and direction regarding the Waste Minimization Grant guideline revision be tabled to the next meeting. Motion made by Mr. Resnick, seconded by Mr. Manternach, carried unanimously to table this agenda item to the next meeting.

Mr. Schultz, City of Dubuque Resource Management Coordinator gave a power point presentation regarding the sustainability of glass recycling in the Dubuque area, which concluded that glass recycling was not as feasible or profitable as initially indicated and that

glass recycling in the Dubuque area needs to be phased out of the recycling programs Discussion was held and included the topics of recycled glass financial markets, the need to educate the public for the phase out and provide information that most recycling programs are incurring costs to recycle glass. Motion made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Resnick, carried unanimously to direct staff to provide a report and time line to begin an exit strategy to phase out glass recycling.

Discussion was held regarding the past appointments of DMASWA Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson. Motion made by Mr. Resnick, seconded by Mr. Jones, carried unanimously to appoint Mr. Manternach as Chairperson for the term of February 1, 2011 through January 31, 2012. Motion made by Mr. Manternach, seconded by Mr. Jones, carried unanimously to appoint Mr. Resnick as Vice-Chairperson for the term of February 1, 2011 through January 31, 2012.

Mr. Vogt provided an overview of the October and November 2010 Operating Statements, indicating that yearly tonnage exceeded this time period from last year, providing a strong revenue stream. Motion made by Mr. Manternach, seconded by Mr. Resnick, carried unanimously to receive and refer the October and November 2010 Operating Statements for audit.

Staff reports were reviewed to include the Solid Waste Tonnage Reports, Education and Communicator's Report, EMS Update, Landfill Airspace Use Report October 2010, Special Event Containers Report 2010, Request to exempt exceptional waste tonnage, *Waste Age* article regarding landfill gas, City Finance Department internal review, Landfill Annexation and Rezoning Application information, Compost Analysis Report 2010, correspondences regarding IDNR Permit Amendment #4, IDNR Permit Extension, IDNR selected participant in 2011 Waste Study, Waste Minimization Grant Fund totals and Credit Customer Notices. Motion made by Mr. Manternach, seconded by Mr. Resnick, carried unanimously to receive and file all staff reports.

No Public comments were received.

The next meeting will be held on January 26, 2011 at 4:30 p.m. at the City of Dubuque Municipal Services Center, 925 Kerper Ct., Dubuque, Iowa.

Motion by Mr. Resnick, seconded by Mr. Manternach, carried unanimously to go into closed session per Iowa Code Chapter 21 at 5:55 p.m.

The Board came back into session at 6:09 p.m.

Motion made by Mr. Resnick, seconded by Mr. Manternach, carried unanimously to adjourn at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Mary Ann Specht
Agency Secretary

