

LEWIS COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL DISTRICT #1 - MINUTES

Regular Meeting

Meeting Date: Monday, January 22, 2024, Meeting Time 1:30 pm

Location: Hearing Room, Lewis County Courthouse, Chehalis, WA

- I. Disposal District Commissioner Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM, called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm, Monday, January 22, 2024. Those in attendance:

Scott J. Brummer	Lewis County Commissioner
Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM	Lewis County Commissioner
Josh Metcalf	Lewis County Public Works Director
Tina Hemphill	Lewis County Public Works Deputy Director
Rocky Lyon	Lewis County Solid Waste Manager
Karen Hirte	Lewis County Solid Waste Administrative Assistant
Marissa Briggs	Lewis County Solid Waste Office Assistant

- II. Quorum verified.

- III. Approve the minutes of the December 27, 2023, special meeting.
Motion by Scott J. Brummer and seconded by Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM. Motion carried.

- IV. Public Comment on any final-action items listed on this agenda – None.

- V. Public Hearing – None.

- VI. Board Measures and Proposals.

Resolution 001-24 – Election of Chair and Vice Chair for the Governing Board of Commissioners of the Lewis County Solid Waste Disposal District No. 1.

Motion by Scott J. Brummer and seconded by Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM. Motion carried.

- VII. Transfer Station Operations – Presented by Rocky Lyon, Solid Waste Manager.

- a. Community Litter Program Report – December.

- The litter program coordinator and crew cleaned up 12 road miles, spent a total of 46.5 hours picking up 1,160 pounds of litter. They also spent 54 hours working on 5 illegal dumpsites, cleaning up 2,960 pounds of litter.
- The Lewis County contracted litter crew-roadside- spent 16 hours cleaning up 1 illegal dumpsite, picking up 7,780 pounds of litter.
- Volunteers in Centralia and throughout Lewis County reported spending 130.50 hours collecting 119 bags of litter.

- b. Transfer Station Tonnage – December.

- The combined monthly tonnage was 6,574.
- Year to Date the tonnage was 89,599.

- VIII. Financial Reports – Presented by Rocky Lyon, Solid Waste Manager.

- a. Monthly reports – December.

- Fund 4150 revenue per the Munis report was \$266,395 and showed a net operating loss of (\$564,471). The ending fund balance was \$3,985,793.
- Fund 4010 total expenses \$613,233.
- Total reserve balances \$863,130.

- IX. Legislative Update – None.

- X. Miscellaneous Reports – None.

- XI. Approval of Transfers from Solid Waste Disposal District #1 to Lewis County Solid Waste Utility.

Motion by Scott J. Brummer and seconded by Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM, to approve payments and transfers in the amount of \$830,866 for the month of December. Motion carried.

XII. Staff Discussion.

a. Rocky Lyon, Solid Waste Manager, presented the 2024 rate increase scenarios to the board. The utility is looking to increase its rate to \$120/ton including tax. This increase will ensure it will not need another rate increase through 2026. Bulky waste, yard waste, tires, and refrigerated appliances will also increase to off-set costs. The utility is encouraging the public to seek curbside pickup and recycling as it will alleviate traffic through both facilities. The next step is to receive recommendations from both the Executive Advisory Committee (EAC) and the Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC). If approved, the rate increase will take place on July 1, 2024.

XIII. Announcements – None.

XIV. Adjournment – With no further business, motion by Scott J. Brummer and second by Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM, to adjourn the meeting at 2:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Hirte

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Solid Waste Utility, Administrative Assistant