

LEWIS COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL DISTRICT #1 - MINUTES

Regular Meeting

Meeting Date: Monday, February 26, 2024, Meeting Time 1:30 pm

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

- I. Disposal District Commissioner Sean D. Swope, called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm, Monday, February 26, 2024.
Those in attendance:

Scott J. Brummer	Lewis County Commissioner
Sean D. Swope	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
Tom Rupert	Lemay Enterprises, Inc. District Manager
Terry Harris	Solid Waste Advisory Committee Chairman
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 January 22, 2024, regular meeting.
Motion by Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM, and seconded by Scott J. Brummer. 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 002-24 – Rescinding resolution No. 004-18 and resolution No. 002-12: Establishing the Solid Waste Equipment Reserve Fund.
Motion by Scott J. Brummer and seconded by Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM. Motion carried.
Resolution 003-24 – Notice of public hearing, rescinding resolutions No. 001-94, No. 004-97, No. 007-13, and No. 004-21. Increases for certain materials received at transfer stations operated by Lewis County.
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 – January.
- The litter program coordinator and crew cleaned up 47 road miles, spent a total of 114.75 hours picking up 2,700 pounds of litter. They also spent 56.25 hours working on 6 illegal dumpsites, cleaning up 2,480 pounds of litter.
 - Interchanges and Intersections - 69 hours were spent cleaning up 2,040 pounds of litter with disposal fees in the amount of \$1,510.41.
 - Volunteers in Centralia and throughout Lewis County reported spending 90.50 hours collecting 311 bags of litter and 214 bags of recycling.
- b. Transfer Station Tonnage – January.
- The combined monthly tonnage was 6,590.
 - Year to Date the tonnage was 6,590.
- VIII. Financial Reports – Presented by Rocky Lyon, Solid Waste Manager.
- a. Monthly reports – January.
- Fund 4150 revenue per the Munis report was \$353,572 and showed a net operating loss of (\$327,992). The ending fund balance was \$4,545,868.
 - Fund 4010 total expenses \$194,925.

- Total reserve balances \$1,060,730.

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 Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM, and seconded by Scott J. Brummer, to approve payments and transfers in the amount of \$681,564 for the month of January. Motion carried.

XII. Staff Discussion.

- a. Rocky Lyon, Solid Waste Manager, presented the 2024 rate increase recommendations from the Executive Advisory Committee (EAC) and the Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) to the board. It is recommended that the Solid Waste Utility proceed with the higher rate increase of \$120 per ton, which includes tax. It is anticipated that the increase will prevent the utility from pulling from reserves to cover expenses. Also, the rate increase will hopefully encourage citizens to utilize curbside garbage and recycling rather than bring in small loads to the utility, thus lessening traffic through the facility. A public hearing will be held at the next Disposal District meeting on March 25, 2024.

XIII. Announcements – None.

XIV. Adjournment – With no further business, motion by Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM, and second by Scott J. Brummer, to adjourn the meeting at 2:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Karen Hirte
Solid Waste Utility, Administrative Assistant