

## LEWIS COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL DISTRICT #1 - MINUTES

### Regular Meeting

Meeting Date: Monday, March 25, 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, March 25, 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
Rocky Lyon	Lewis County Solid Waste Manager
Karen Hirte	Lewis County Solid Waste Administrative Assistant
Curtis Kelley	Centralia Citizen

- II. Quorum verified.
- III. Approve the minutes of the February 26, 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.  
a. Curtis Kelley, Centralia, made comments in opposition to the proposed minimum tipping fee.
- V. Public Hearing.  
a. **In the matter of proposed fee increases for certain materials received at transfer stations operated by Lewis County.**
  - Commissioner Swope called the hearing to order at 1:40 pm. Rocky Lyon gave the staff report followed by a question-and-answer portion of the hearing. Curtis Kelley requested his testimony be adopted to the record. Darin Gaut submitted written comment opposed to the proposed minimum tipping fee. Tim Pendergrass, Morton, submitted written comment opposed to the proposed minimum tipping fee. Sam Fleming submitted written comment opposed to the proposed minimum tipping fee. Beth Byrd, Mineral, submitted written comment opposed to the proposed rate increase. Mike Fairhart submitted written comment opposing the proposed rate increase. Commissioner Swope closed the hearing at 2:01 pm.
- VI. Board Measures and Proposals.  
**Resolution 004-24 – Rescinding the following 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.**  
Floor amendment made by Scott J. Brummer to change the proposed minimum tipping fee from \$35/500lbs (to include 3.6% refuse tax) to \$20/340lbs (to include 3.6% refuse tax).  
Motion by Scott J. Brummer and seconded by Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM. Motion carried.  
Motion by Scott J. Brummer to approve amended Resolution 004-24 and seconded by Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM. Motion carried.  
**Resolution 005-24 – Rescinding resolution No. 006-98. Updating hours of operation at East Lewis County Transfer Station.**  
Motion by Scott J. Brummer and seconded by Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM. Motion carried.  
**Resolution 006-24 – Rescinding resolution No. 004-95. Updating hours of operation at Central Transfer Station.**  
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 – February.

- The litter program coordinator and crew cleaned up 43 road miles, spent a total of 151.5 hours picking up 2,140 pounds of litter. They also spent 42 hours working on 5 illegal dumpsites, cleaning up 1,380 pounds of litter.
- Interchanges and Intersections - 69 hours were spent cleaning up 900 pounds of litter with disposal fees in the amount of \$1,510.41.
- Volunteers in Centralia and throughout Lewis County reported spending 48.5 hours collecting 146.5 bags of litter and 43 bags of recycling.

b. Transfer Station Tonnage – February.

- The combined monthly tonnage was 7,112.
- Year to Date the tonnage was 13,702.

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

a. Monthly reports – February.

- Fund 4150 revenue per the Munis report was \$758,727 and showed a net operating gain of \$46,951. The ending fund balance was \$4,592,819.
- Fund 4010 total expenses \$236,348.
- 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 Scott J. Brummer, and seconded by Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM, to approve payments and transfers in the amount of \$711,776 for the month of February. Motion carried.

XII. Staff Discussion – None.

XIII. Announcements – Next month is the 30-year anniversary of the Central Transfer Station.

XIV. Adjournment – With no further business, motion by Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM, and second by Scott J. Brummer, to adjourn the meeting at 2:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Karen Hirte*

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Solid Waste Utility, Administrative Assistant