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**MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS
May 20, 2022**

A meeting of the Board of the Ross, Pickaway, Highland, and Fayette Solid Waste District was held on May 20th, 2022, at 10:30 am at the Pickaway County Library.

The following Board members were in attendance:

Tony Anderson	Fayette
Daniel Dean	Fayette
Jim Garland	Fayette
Jeff Duncan	Highland
Terry Britton	Highland
Dave Daniels	Highland
Gary Scherer	Pickaway
Dwight Garrett	Ross

Also, in attendance:

Erica Tucker	Director
Lauren Grooms	Secretary of the Board
Nick Rupert	Guest, Rumpke

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Dwight Garrett, called the meeting to order at 10:44 a.m. A quorum was determined by roll call.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes from the December 3rd, 2021, meeting was previously e-mailed. There being no corrections offered, Mr. Tony Anderson made the motion to approve, Mr. Dave Daniels seconded to approve the minutes. All were in favor and the motion carried.

FINANCIAL STATUS: Ms. Lauren Grooms gave an update on revenue and expenditures thus far. The Solid Waste District began the year with \$1,056,585.36. We have received \$283,948.71 and spent \$270,851.54. The total fund balance as of today is \$1,069,682.53. Mr. Jeff Duncan made a motion to approve the financial reports, Mr. Tony Anderson seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.



OLD BUSINESS

Fayette County Recycling Center. Mrs. Erica Tucker summarized the progress of the Fayette County Recycling Center by referencing the 2022 Mid-Year Newsletter provided. After a full year of operations, the Solid Waste District and Rumpke conducted a waste audit to report to the Ohio EPA. Mrs. Tucker explained that the Recycling Center only had around 3% contamination which is considered below average. Mrs. Grooms and Mr. Rupert added to the conversation by explaining the significance of achieving such a low contamination rate.

NEW BUSINESS

New Board President, Vice President: Mrs. Erica Tucker opened the floor to suggestions for a new board president. The board proposed Mr. Harold Henson continuing the roll as President while Mr. Doug Corcoran as Vice President. Mr. Anderson motioned to approve, and Mr. Scherer seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Rumpke Contract: Mrs. Tucker notified the board that the Solid Waste District’s recycling contract with Rumpke is nearing expiration without the option of a renewal extension. She explained that we will have to come to a new agreement with Rumpke and to expect a price increase. Mr. Rupert spoke on the increasing fuel costs and employee shortages that will contribute to an increased rate for a new contract. Mr. Tony Anderson proposed to Mr. Rupert that he speak with Rumpke about a rural drop-off rate vs. a “mega-site” rate. Mr. Rupert agreed that the idea could benefit the Solid Waste District and would discuss the topic with the company. More information regarding a new contract will be discussed at the next board meeting in October while Mrs. Tucker works with Rumpke to achieve a draft contract. With no further discussion, Mr. Gary Scherer motioned to approve the district to move forward with putting a RFQ out in the coming weeks and Tony Anderson seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

2023 Tax Budget: Mrs. Tucker provided a copy of the proposed 2023 tax budget that is required by the Pickaway County Auditor. She explained that the tax budget is simply a draft and changes can be made at the next meeting. Mr. Anderson motioned to approve, and Mr. Garrett seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Solid Waste Management Plan Update: Mrs. Tucker provided an update with the progress of the plan update required every 5 years by the Ohio EPA. She explained that the Policy Committee met on May 19th, 2022, to begin the process of rewriting the plan on a new format. She asked the board for permission to hire a consultant from GT Environmental, Jaimie Zawila, who has assisted the district in previous years. Due to the significant amount of coordinating with the Policy Committee to achieve the goals towards an updated plan, the board agreed that a consultant was necessary. Mr. Dwight Garrett made a motion to approve, and Mr. Terry Britton seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: With nothing else to come before the Board, Mr. Terry Britton made the motion to adjourn, and Mr. Anderson seconded at 11:51 a.m. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by, Lauren Grooms

Harold Henson, Chairman

Date of approval

