

December 18, 2019

Meeting Minutes – Meeting was held at the Greene County Commissioners Room in Bloomfield

Members present Ed Michael, Nathan Abrams, John Wilkes, Roy Terrell, Brent Murray, Fred Markle and Rick Graves. Mike Williams, Marvin Abshire & several members of the public were also in attendance.

Ed Michael opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Nathan Abrams made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 26, 2019 Regular Meeting & November 26, 2019 Public Hearing seconded by Brent Murray. Motion Passed

Ed Michael read a letter from Wallace Transfer & Recycling withdrawing their proposal to provide management services and construct a transfer station at the existing Switz City Site. (letter attached to the minutes)

The financial report and claims docket for November were presented by Mike Williams for approval. Nathan Abrams made a motion to approve the claims docket and financial report seconded by John Wilkes. Motion Passed

Ed Michael lead a discussion concerning the number of recycling sites, number of employees, hours of operations & services available. Several board members expressed their opinions and concerns.

John Wilkes asked if the board would consider raising the \$12 annual fee assessed on property parcels. Attorney Abshire explained the procedure and stated it was a decision the Solid Waste Board had complete authority to make. No decision was made at this time.

Brent Murray stated that the inability to compact recyclables at the Linton site made the transportation charges prohibitive to continue recycling at that site.

Rick Graves made a motion that as of January 1, 2020 the Linton site would discontinue accepting recyclables but would continue with their other solid waste and trash operations. The Switz City site would continue with all operations currently conducted there, including accepting recyclables, seconded by Brent Murray. Motion Passed.

Brent Murray volunteered to get signage in place at the Linton site notifying customers of the change.

Ron Toon addressed the board about his concerns and left a paper to be incorporated in the board minutes. (paper is attached to minutes)

Kerry Graves asked if this would eliminate any talk about a transfer station at the Switz City site. Ed Michael stated that he could not guarantee what a future board might do but at this time it just did not appear to be a feasible alternative.

Ed Michael asked the board about reduced holiday hours since Christmas & New Years both fell on Wednesday this year. John Wilkes made a motion to close both sites on Christmas Eve as well as on New Years Eve, seconded by Fred Markle. Motion Passed.

The Monthly report for the Switz City site was presented for review. (the report is attached to the minutes). Brent Murray said the Linton report would be available at the January meeting.

Announcements:


1. Ed Michael noted that this would be the last meeting for board members Roy Terrell and Fred Markle. Ed along with several board members thanked both Roy & Fred for their service to the Solid Waste District. They will be missed.
2. Ed Michael and John Danner discussed the procedures for baling recyclables at the Switz City site.


Nathan Abrams made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Brent Murray. Motion Passed.


The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday January 29, 2019 @ 9:30 at the Greene County Commissioners Room in the County Courthouse in Bloomfield.


Brent Murray


Nathan Abrams


Ed Michael


Roy Terrell *LARRY L. WATTE SR.*


John Wilkes

Fred Markle


Rick Graves

Dated 1-29-2020