LARIMER COUNTY | SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT

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LARIMER COUNTY POLICY ADVISORY COUNCIL

Date: October 3, 2019

Time: 10:00-12:00pm

Location: Lake Loveland Rm, 2nd floor, Larimer County Office Building 200

West Oak Street, Fort Collins, CO 80522

Contact: Laurie Kadrich, CPIR Director

Attendees:

Laurie Kadrich, Stephen Gillette, Lou Perez, John Kefalas, Steve Johnson, Ross Cunniff, Leah Johnson, Dave Clark, Ken Zornes, Howard Laurens, Susie Gordon, Honore Depew, Rebekka Kinney, Tim Whitehouse, Kevin McEachern, Mick Mercer, Cody Bird, Martin Carcasson, Tyler Bandemer

Absent: Ben Aste, Wade Troxell

CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS – 10:00 a.m.

AGENDA REVIEW

DISCUSSION/DECISIONS

Laurie Kadrich introduced Honore Depew's presentation (attached) of our history leading up to the formation of the PAC Committee and overview of goals and achievements, summary of Master Plan and IGA.

Awards: Laurie summarized the work leading into the group being honored with two awards. The group was nationally recognized and received state recognition, for the collaboration and work going into the Wasteshed project thus far. Susie Gordan explained that the State has adopted a master plan that emulates this type of local government collaboration that was done with the Wasteshed project. Laurie commented that this award is unique, and that the nation will be watching this collaborative effort maneuver through the project.

Lou Perez presented a Power Point update on infrastructure (attached) Transfer station and Landfill locations. Short summary was given on new landfill requirements and regulations. Additional information outlining the suggested ideas on how to minimize impact on local

communities. There will be another presentation in Wellington on October 15th.

- Q&A: The vegetation selection for installation around the new location will blend with native species wherever it's planted.
- Q&A: The depth of the landfill will be calculated based on the results of the soils tests and testing of Aquaphor's, variances and active well records per state regulations.
- o Q&A: The new MSW Landfill is about 200 acres divided diagonally approximately in the middle.
- O Q&A: The landfill will be opened in cells (section at a time) dug and lined per regulations rather than one singular massive dig site.
- O Q&A: The landfill will not be a bale facility but rather the new Transfer Station structure will have the capacity to allow 3 days storage during inclement weather to avoid transporting and potential blowing debris in the communities and on roads. Saving cost of \$19 million building with baler
- Q&A: The snow load for the structure will be designed by HDR Architects and will be built out by contractors.
- o Q&A: CD and Compost will be accessible to public.
- Q&A: Future employment possibilities include through partnerships with a Trucking company, Compost company, and an additional 6-8 people will be hired as County employees for operations.
- Q&A: Compost facility will be designed for wind load and consideration for up to 150 mph winds is part of the plan. The compost area will be run and marketed by private company.
- o Q&A: We have to remain compliant to title 5 air permit, for fugitive dust
- Q&A: C and D facility is intended to be single stream, and we will be actively looking for operating companies who have this capability.
- O &A: Glass continues to be a recyclable, and they are returned to bottle not alternate cover
- Q&A: Cut off routes need more input and detail before suggestions will be made. A cut off indicates where and when it makes more sense to drive to either the Transfer location or the new property.

Mentions for future topics:

- Need to work toward more commitment for food waste materials from the communities
- Part of this group may be working toward utilizing compost facility to cut water consumption.
- A master plan of the site was requested, and a preliminary master plan until a final is ready.
- C&D plan should be focused on ease of use for customer to increase participation
- The policy group needs to be open to new technology and innovation in their plans
- Suggestions were made that there needs to be a big time allowance to discuss driving routes and impact.
- It was suggested that we use the Patterson Center and a Strat-Ops plan for sub committees and special intensive interests.
- Ways to keep the public informed perhaps hiring a position to just do letters and community education

Welcome to Wellington as part of the IGA. The original IGA was made of Larimer County, City of Loveland, City of Fort Collins and Estes Park. The Technical Committee has been

discussing ways to make it easier for others to join and would like to suggest the postponement of adapting bylaws and selecting officers until after the first PAC meeting, when Wellington can officially be included in the vote. This was AGREED to by attendees.

The DRAFT Bylaws were presented and will be amended before passing

- Clarifications were made about a quorum and a specific number. It was AGREED that it will mean "majority of members" so if the number of communities goes up in the future, we don't need to rewrite this section.
- Please bring back some input on length of terms served.
- It was AGREED that part of the Purpose (letter E) should include "INNOVATION".
- It was AGREED we want to be able to include more members on the Technical Committee. It was AGREED the meeting frequency guideline should be quarterly or Chair and Vice Chair can call as needed

Stephen Gillette presented proposed rate increases for 2020 (attached) Attendees AGREED the proposed increase was appropriate and recommended to the BCC

The PAC requested they want a capitol plan and an operational budget, The Solid Waste budget should be in alignment with a capital investment plan and reserves, vs just a big savings. The PAC body should be informed in depth and the budget should be consistently under review for thorough understanding as part of the Wasteshed responsibilities. It was also suggested there may be a sub committee on just this area.

November 7th 10-12 is next meeting. Location TBD

OTHER BUSINESS:

ADJOURN – 12 p.m.