

## Minutes for February 2019

### White River Alliance Solid Waste Board February 13, 2019

**Those in attendance** Moe Brigham, Robert Young, Chet Brown, Sandy Conrad, Joshua Powers, Jenn Bartleman

**Absent** Grace Adams

**Call to Order** 7:03 pm

**Minutes for December 12, 2018** Board moves to accept November minutes as written. Motion seconded. Minutes approved by vote.

**Financial Report** Overall good on financials. The Budget Status Report from January 24 is updated through 12/31/18; there are still fees to be factored in. The actual bottom line will jump from 63k to 101k surplus, which includes monthly debts such as insurance, heat, medical, etc. Transfer Station continues to attract residents from outside towns due to lower rates and convenience in doing business. Rates will change March 1, however. Tip fees should not go up from Casellas much, if at all, because they send such large capacity trucks (80-100k loads). Board moves to approve budget status. Budget status approved by vote.

**Facility Manager Report** Transfer Station is ready to purchase a zero-sort compactor. The current compactor was just repaired for noise, but still needs many other repairs and is pushing wrong. Worth it to just replace the whole thing, which will be a large project. Atlantic will replace the compactor for an estimated \$20,000 (includes machine and labor). The cost might increase depending on how much work needs to be done, but not by more than an additional \$2,000. It will need upgrades to be OCEA compliant. Upgrade would have steel brush that would prevent future problems and higher capacity. An electrician would still need to be paid afterwards to get the machine all hooked up. Chet already has the contract, and there would be a 6-week wait from signing the contract to the work being done. The contract has a \$20,850 quote with a maximum limit of \$25,000. Joshua moves to approve the purchase. Motion seconded by Sandy. Purchase approved by vote. Joshua moves to approve the purchase. Sandy seconds. Purchase approved by vote. Joshua moves to appoint Chair to sign the contract. Motion seconded by Moe. Motion approved by vote. Contract signed by Chair.

The new compactor does not sort recyclables; Casella's takes the load to a sorting station in Rutland to do that. Board would like to visit the Casella sorting system.

The Transfer Station dump truck died. Chet would like to replace with "steel dumping hoppers," which are fork ready and can reach the MBI truck. The hoppers hold 6 cubic yards, which is more than the dump truck. The cost is \$2,700 a piece, plus transportation from Minnesota (an