



BOONE COUNTY

Solid Waste Management District

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September 19, 2024 - Minutes

I. Call to Order

The meeting of the Boone County Solid Waste Management District board was held in the Connie Lamar Meeting Room of the Boone County Annex Building on Thursday, September 19, 2024. President Craig Melton called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m. with the following members and guests present:

Craig Melton	President
Matt Gentry	Vice President
Tim Beyer	Board Member
Donald Lawson	Board Member
Evan Norris	Board Member
Shari Richey	Board Member
Jeff Wolfe	Board Member
Jennifer Thompson	Board Attorney
Jennifer Lawrence	Executive Director
Darla Bevard	Assistant Director
Dale Kennedy	Financial Officer
Brittany Knick	Dale Kennedy Office

II. Mr. Melton started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Public Comments

Mrs. Lawrence indicated that the district must move the public comments to the beginning of the meeting regarding Indiana House Enrolled Act 1338. President Melton asked for public comments. After hearing none, he proceeded with the next agenda item.

IV. Introduction of Intern

Mrs. Lawrence stated that the district has a new intern for this school year, and she invited him to the podium to briefly introduce himself. Mr. Brady Johnson stated that he is a Lebanon High School senior, a kicker on the LHS football team and is learning a lot from working at the district this year.

V. Approval of the Minutes of Previous Meeting

President Melton asked if everyone had a chance to review the minutes of the previous meeting. The minutes of the June 20, 2024 board meeting minutes were approved by a motion made by Mrs. Richey, seconded by Mayor Gentry, and passed unanimously.

VI. Financial Report

Mrs. Knick presented the financial reports. There was a formula incorrectly added to the May financial report, so Mr. Kennedy fixed that and gave us an updated report to be approved. The interest was stated as \$2,073.01 and is now corrected to \$2,684.66.

There were receipts of \$49,628.17 for June. There were claims presented from a variety of sources for \$29,718.65 leaving a total cash in the bank and investments of \$906,985.35.

There were receipts of \$65,458.30 for July. There were claims presented from a variety of sources for \$28,843.36 leaving a total cash in the bank and investments of \$943,600.29.

There were receipts of \$58,551.38 for August. There were claims presented from a variety of sources for \$51,430.33 leaving a total cash in the bank and investments of \$950,721.34.

President Melton asked if there were any corrections or objections regarding the May through August financial reports.

The May through August financial reports were read and approval to pay the claims was given by a motion made by Mayor Gentry, seconded by Mr. Norris, and passed unanimously. The May through August financial reports are attached and made a part of these minutes.

Mr. Kennedy was informed that PNC Bank needed a letter approval from the district's attorney stating approval of invested annuity. After investigation it was determined the district should not be invested in current annuities but rather another investment backed federally by the FDIC. Mr. Kennedy indicated that he had been working with Mrs. Lawrence, Mrs. Thompson and Baker and Tilly, the county's financial advisor, to get the correct language and determine where and how to invest the additional monies from the annuities. The investment company indicated that the district was not allowed to have an annuity, and they were discontinuing it and keeping all the interest except for the one account that had already matured. There was some discussion regarding this, and Mr. Wolfe made a motion for Mr. Kennedy to review where to reinvest this money and to bring a new plan to the Board in November, seconded by Mr. Norris and passed unanimously.

VII. Legal Update

Mrs. Thompson indicated that she has been notified that the Boone County Prosecutor's office is not the correct authority to take a hauler to court, it must be the County attorney. Mr. Clutter proposed the change to the Ordinance and brought the new Ordinance 2024-07 to the Commissioners and it passed and was signed by the Commissioners at the September 16, 2024 meeting.

VIII. Report from the Executive Director

Mrs. Lawrence indicated that the District was audited by the State Board of Accounts for years 2020-2023. There were no issues found so no need for an exit interview. President Melton signed the exit conference paperwork.

The District staff has attended numerous workshops and tours in the past several months. Those were: Municipal Solid Waste Educator Workshop, Waste Management Twin Bridges Landfill, Waste Management Gas to Energy Facility, Circular Indiana Quarterly Roundtable, Knox County SWMD, Presentation of Agrorenew, AISWMD Quarterly Director's Roundtable, Indiana Ecosystem Stem Summit and Mailchimp Virtual Conference.

Mrs. Lawrence gave an update on the 2024 Municipality grants. Advance, Boone County, Lebanon and Jamestown received items such as playground equipment, park amenities, heavy trash collection event or items for the new Justice Center. Thorntown is having a Fall Clean up day and will also receive park amenities.

The new educator, Amelia Braga has been very busy with educational classes this summer with the Hussey Mayfield Memorial Public Libraries (HMMPL) in Whitestown and Zionsville. She has done several classes for youth as well as adults. Ms. Bevard shared a booth with Mr. Cougill, Boone County Soil and Water for the Zionsville Creek Week. Ms. Braga hosted a booth at the Farmers Markets in Whitestown, and had a booth at the National Night Out event in Zionsville

The district has purchased a new enviroscape model that Ms. Braga will teach about water conservation, water pollution, etc. to Boone County residents. The district will also be reading several environmental books again to the preschoolers at Presbyterian Preschool this school year. The district also purchased some reusable bags donated to the upcoming Mischief on Meridian event in Lebanon.

Zionsville Lions Club participated in the district's Clearstream recycling bin loaner program. They borrowed 30 bins to use during the Zionsville Fall Festival held at Lions Club Park. The district is providing litter clean up supplies to a team participating with the Boone EDC event called the Best Day in Boone. Ms. Braga is participating in the Zionsville Eagle Ambassador Academy.

Ms. Braga has been working on a 4H project where she wants to have it approved and be able to host workshops on the environment. This will include students from 3rd grade to 12th grade. The students will be able to have an entry into the 4H Fair and win ribbons or awards. The district will sponsor the Boone County Fair award for the winners.

The fall tox day was Saturday, September 14, 2024 in Zionsville. There were 746 vehicles in a five-hour event. This was a record event for attendance. Mrs. Lawrence surveyed the vehicles, and 385 vehicles brought hazardous waste only, 147 vehicles brought electronics only and there were 214 vehicles that brought both electronics and hazardous wastes. Mrs. Lawrence wanted to thank the Boone County Health Department by providing two employees that helped with traffic flow and thanked the Zionsville Street and Police Department for allowing us to use their facility for this event.

Lebanon the Cleanest City in Indiana committee held litter clean-ups in June and July. The August event was cancelled due to the extreme heat. The September clean-up is scheduled for Thursday, September 26 at Kroger and the last one of the year will be on October 31st.

2024 Community Grant update includes a sign for the recycled rubber pavers at the Humane Society of Boone County and reusable bags were purchased and donated to the Friends of the Hussey Mayfield Memorial Public Library for their Secret Snowflake Shop. Mrs. Lawrence indicated that she received an annual report from the Zionsville Restore – Habitat for Humanity of Boone County. She informed the Board that the district board gave a \$3,000 community grant in 2017 to Habitat to allow one of their members to attend a Restore 101 class that led the business plan and was able to open a local store. In 2023, 400 approximate tons of waste was diverted from landfills, \$483,162 gross sales of new and gently used items, 48 volunteers worked 6,586 hours at the Restore in Zionsville and 45, 500 items were donated without the initial grant, the ReStore would not be able to divert this much waste annually.

Mrs. Lawrence indicated that the 2025 Community Grant applications are due at the end of the month. These grants are unique in that they are open to businesses, non-profit organizations, schools, libraries, civic organizations and clubs operating in Boone County.

The district was awarded an IDEM grant totaling \$10,000 that will go towards the disposal of waste tires. The Town of Advance is scheduled to have a tire amnesty day on Saturday, September 21, 2024 and Mrs. Lawrence expects to have at least two more in early 2025.

IX. Old Business

There was no old business to discuss.

X. New Business

There was no new business to discuss.

XI. Announcements

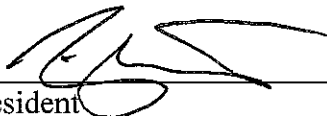
President Melton indicated that the Community Grant deadline is Monday, September 30, 2024.

Next regular meeting -

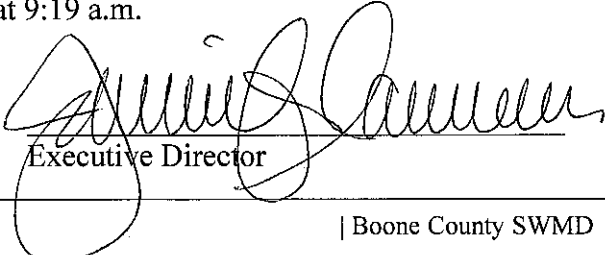
Thursday, November 21, 2024
Boone County Annex Building
Connie Lamar Meeting Room - 8:30 a.m.

XII. Adjournment

Mr. Beyer made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Richey and was passed unanimously. Mr. Melton adjourned this meeting at 9:19 a.m.



President



Executive Director