



KENT COUNTY BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

MINUTES

June 2, 2016

8:30 AM

**Earl G. Woodworth Building
Meeting Room Chambers
1500 Scribner Avenue NW
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49504**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioners, Vonk, Koorndyk, Groenleer, Byl, Shroll, Bulkowski, Vander Molen

OTHERS PRESENT: Darwin Baas, Director; Elissa Soto, Office Manager; Kimberly Williams, Finance Division Director; Chris Robinson, WTE Operations Manager; Dan Rose, Solid Waste Operations Manager; Nic VanderVinne, Resource Recovery & Recycling Manager; Cal Brinks, Purchasing Division

I. Call to Order

Chair Vonk called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

II. Review and Approval of Minutes

MOTION

It was moved by Commissioner VanderMolen and supported by Commissioner Shroll to approve the May 5, 2016 minutes.

Motion carried unanimously.

III. Resource Recovery and Recycling Operations

A. Recycling Center Loader Purchase

Staff presented a request for the approval of the purchase of a pre-owned Komatsu WA100M front end loader in the amount of \$68,650. The DPW uses a primary and secondary front end loader at the Recycling & Education Center (REC). The primary loader is used on the tipping floor to load recyclables into the feed hopper and stage

materials after trucks tip their load. The secondary loader is used inside the plant to load glass trucks, push materials onto conveyor belts, and clean the floor of the facility and grounds and as a backup when the primary loader is serviced. With increasing volumes of materials coming to the facility a larger secondary front end loader is needed to efficiently handle sorted materials in the plant.

- Both new and pre-owned machines were evaluated and determined the pre-owned Komatsu WA100M with 1380 hours will meet the REC's needs.
- The pre-owned machine is approximately \$48,600 less than a new machine. The purchase price includes an extended power train and hydraulics warranty and a trade-in allowance for the 2005 Volvo L35B loader and various attachments.
- As provided for in Kent County Purchasing Fiscal Policy, the requirements for competitive sealed bids set forth in the policy may be exempted by the Board of Public Works. The Kent County Purchasing Division has reviewed the request and recommends approval.

Staff recommends waiving Purchasing Fiscal Policy and purchasing a pre-owned Komatsu WA100M to be used as the secondary front end loader.

MOTION

It was moved by Commissioner Groenleer and seconded by Commissioner VanderMolen to exempt County requirements for a sealed competitive bid for the acquisition of a pre-owned front end loader and purchase a Komatsu WA100M from AIS Construction Equipment in the amount of \$68,650.

Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Accounting & Finance

A. 2017 Budget Presentation and Approval

Kim Williams, Finance Director, presented the 2017 DPW budget to the Board. There was considerable discussion concerning proposed MRF service fee increases and staff provided several options to consider. The Chair asked staff to provide additional information and it recommended the Board reconvene in two weeks, on June 16, 2016 to continue the 2017 budget review.

MOTION

It was moved by Commissioner Koorndyk and supported by Commissioner Shroll that the Board postpone approval of the 2017 until the June 16, 2016 meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

V. Approval of Monetary Outlays

MOTION

I was moved by Commissioner Byl and supported by Commissioner Groenleer to approve the monetary outlays for June 2016.

Motion carried unanimously.

VI. Director's Report

- A. 20x'20 - 90x'30 Zero Waste to Landfill Campaign – the zero waste to landfill campaign was successfully launched and receive considerable media coverage.
- B. NAWTEC Conference Presentation – the director was invited to present Kent County's zero waste to landfill visioning at this national conference.
- A. Recycling Education Customer Feedback – Lauren Westerman, Resource Recovery Specialist, received great feedback on her education efforts with local schools.
- B. MPSC PURPA TAC Update – the MIPPA has a contested case on avoided cost rates that will go to the MPSC.
- C. State Energy Policy Update – It's not likely that energy policy will go anywhere before the summer beak.
- D. FERC Technical Committee – Two members of the MIPPA work group will be presenting at the technical committee in late June.

VII. Miscellaneous/Public Comment

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:44 a.m.