



KENT COUNTY BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

November 2, 2017

8:30 AM

**Recycling & Education Center
2nd Floor Classroom
977 Wealthy SW
Grand Rapids, MI 49504**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioner Vonk, Koorndyk, Bulkowski, Brieve, Skaggs, Yonker

MEMBERS ABSENT: Commissioner Morren

OTHERS PRESENT: Darwin Baas, Director; Kimberly Williams, Finance Division Director; Alisha Barber, Office Manager; Paul Smith, WTE Operations Manager; Molly Sherwood, Environmental Compliance Manager; Kristen Weiland, Communications & Marketing Manager; Dan Rose, Solid Waste Operations Manager; Constance Westgate, Engineering Technician; Stephen Duarte, Fiscal Services Director; Calvin Brinks, Purchasing/Fleet Services Manager; John Van Tholen, Sales & Community Representative at Granger; Tom Mahoney, General Manager at Republic Services

I. Call to Order

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

II. Review and Approval of Minutes

Motion

It was moved by Commissioner Koorndyk and seconded by Commissioner Skaggs to approve October 5, 2017 minutes.

Motion carried unanimously.

III. Public Comment

None.

IV. Administration

A. Years of Service Award

i. Constance Westgate – 25 years

Director Baas presented staff member Constance Westgate, Engineer Technician with a 25-year service pin from Kent County.

V. Solid Waste Operations

A. Waste Transfer Contract – AR

The five-year solid waste transfer contract for the North Kent Transfer Station and Waste to Energy Facility expires on December 31, 2017. The Kent County Purchasing Division issued Bid Solicitation 2043 for waste transfer of municipal solid waste from the North Kent Transfer Station and Waste to Energy Facility to Kent County and non-Kent County landfill disposal facilities. Staff recommends the awarding the 2018-2022 Waste Transfer Contract to Republic Services.

Motion

It was moved by Commissioner Brieve and seconded by Commissioner Yonker to award the 2018-2022 Waste Transfer Contract to Republic Services with the pricing set forth in Bid Solicitation 2043 Pricing Schedule – Bid Form, Page 2 and authorize the Director to execute the associated contract documents.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. SKL Earth Work Contract – AR

Oetman Excavating has agreed to continue with 2017 rates which were established from their bid received October 28, 2016 under Kent Counties Purchasing Division Bid Solicitation No. 1860. This optional contract renewal extends the current contract from December 1, 2017 through November 30, 2018. The unit price contract is estimated to be \$700,000. Staff is requesting an extension of the 2017 South Kent Landfill Earthwork Contract between Oetman Excavating and Kent County DPW.

Motion

It was moved by Commissioner Koorndyk and seconded by Commissioner Brieve to extend the South Kent Landfill Earthwork Contract with Oetman Excavating, LLC in the amount of not the exceed \$700,000. Unit prices provided in the 2017 Earthwork Contract remain unchanged.

Motion carried unanimously.

C. SKL Skid Loader Purchase – AR

The skid loader is a versatile and practical piece of equipment that will be used for a variety of purposes at the South Kent Landfill from moving pallets of electronics, to

moving appliances, to loading aggregate, general cleanup of errant trash, and now snow plowing. Staff is recommending the purchase of Bobcat Model T-870 rubber track skid loader with an unlimited hour/12+-month standard equipment.

Motion

It was moved by Commissioner Koorndyk and seconded by Commissioner Skaggs to award the purchase of a Bobcat T-870 rubber tracked skid loader for the South Kent Landfill to Bobcat delivered through Carleton Eq. Bobcat of Grand Rapids for the total amount of \$66,614.72 and authorize the Director to execute the associated contract documents.

Motion carried unanimously.

VI. Resource Recovery and Recycling Operations

- A. Recycling Education Exhibit Space – Presentation
Communications & Marketing Manager, Kristen Weiland presented the concept design by Xibitz for the Recycling and Education Center (REC). The implementation will start the middle of June 2018 and be completed within two weeks.

VII. Accounting & Finance

- A. Refuse Disposal System Refunding Bonds – AR
In 2009, the County authorized issuance of bonds for the purpose of financing the cost of a new material Recovery Facility (MRF) – Refuse Disposal System Bonds, Series 2009. The proposed resolution would authorize a bond issuance in the sum of not to exceed \$7.8 million. It is anticipated that the net present value of the savings would be approximately \$698,254 through December 2029 when the bonds would be paid off. Staff anticipates the ability to solicit pricing for the new money issue on November 29, 2017 with a closing on the bond issuance presently scheduled for December 20, 2017.

Motion

It was moved by Commissioner Koorndyk and seconded by Commissioner Skaggs to recommend to the Board of Commissioners to authorize the issuance of Refuse Disposal System Refunding Bonds (Limited Tax General Obligation) – Series 2017.

Motion carried unanimously.

VIII. Approval of Monetary Outlays

Motion

It was moved by Commissioner Yonker and seconded by Commissioner Brieve to approve the Monetary Outlays.

Motion carried unanimously.

IX. Director's Report

a. 20 x 20 and 90 x 30 Vision – Masterplan

Director Baas discussed the Masterplan and six stakeholders meeting being held mid-November. A video was created to help explain the Masterplan, 20 x 20 and 90 x 30 vision and is posted on www.imaginetrash.org.

X. Miscellaneous

None.

XI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 a.m.