

**RAPPAHANNOCK REGIONAL  
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD**

Wednesday  
February 17, 2010  
Stafford County's Administration Center  
Conference Room A,B,C

**Meeting Convened.** A regular meeting of the Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board (R-Board) was convened at 1:30 P.M., Wednesday, February 17, 2010, at the Stafford County Administration Center, Conference Room A,B,C.

**Roll Call.** The following members were present: George Solley, Chairman; Harry E. Crisp, Vice Chairman; Beverley R. Cameron; Matthew J. Kelly; and Tim J. Baroody, Alternate. Paul V. Milde, III, arrived at 1:32 P.M. Anthony J. Romanello was absent.

Also in attendance were: Roger C. Wiley, Esq., R-Board Attorney; Robert L. Hundley, Resource International, Ltd., Consulting Engineer; Andrew J. Mikel, Superintendent of Solid Waste Management; Diane L. Jones, Recycling Coordinator; Julie May, Analyst, and Patricia S. Rowe, Clerk.

Others in attendance were Gayle Roberts, County Attorney; James Lawrence, citizen of City of Fredericksburg, Va., and Tim Horchar, Canusa Hershman Recycling Company, Baltimore, Md.

Mr. Kelly motioned, seconded by Mr. Cameron, to approve the November 19, 2009 minutes.

By voice, the vote was:

Yea:	(4)	Cameron, Crisp, Kelly, Solley
Nay:	(0)	
Absent:	(2)	Baroody, Milde

**Presentation by the Public:** Mr. Lawrence reported on the following:

- Recycling downtown in the City
- Cardboard recycling efforts in City
- Downtown Merchants Association election

Mr. Horchar introduced himself and offered an invitation to the Board to visit his recycling facility in Manassas, Va.

**Report of the R-Board Attorney.** Mr. Wiley reported on legislation from the General Assembly involving an increase in fees on solid waste and a transfer of solid waste management funds into another fund. Both bills appear to be dead at this time.

**Report of the Consulting Engineer.** Mr. Hundley reported on the following:

**Permit No. 589 (Cells A/B/C/D/E – Active)**

- The VDEQ has issued the Part A for the Phase 2 expansion area. Resource has already begun assembling the components of the Part B permit application. The Part B will be prepared in accordance with the currently drafted VSWM regulations which should be

approved and effective within the next three to six months. Resource estimates that the Part B will be submitted within the next 90-120 days.

- Resource is currently completing the annual groundwater monitoring reports due to the VDEQ each March 1.
- Resource is assisting as requested with a boundary survey of the historic parcel north of the Phase 2 expansion area. A meeting with the parties involved has been scheduled to ensure all survey requirements relative to the proposed subdivision of the parcel are met.

Mr. Cameron asked about the estimated cost of expansion. Mr. Hundley stated that generally the cost is approximately \$250,000 per acre of subtitle D of landfill cells. The actual landfill footprint is around 60 acres.

**Report on Finances:** Mr. Mikel reported on the following:

- Landfill Aging Report
- Weight and Material Analysis
- Landfill Revenue
- Landfill Expenses

Mr. Mikel stated that there are no issues with customers paying their bills. First Choice is working with the landfill on paying its account. Mr. Mikel also stated that revenue is down from last year but noted that recycling revenue has gone up in the last few months.

Mr. Milde asked how the hours reduction affected revenues. Mr. Mikel responded that five additional hours were taken away from the weekend and noted that profits are anticipated at \$150,000 to \$175,000 per year for the change in hours.

Mr. Milde also asked if complaints had been received because of the time changes. Mr. Mikel replied that he had only received one call that was against the change. Mr. Milde asked if more roadside dumping had been noticed. Mr. Mikel responded that because of the weather and the road conditions, it has been hard to discern if the change of hours was responsible for some roadside dumping. He also noted that a couple of the recycling sites had problems but staff is taking care of it and law enforcement is called to go through the trash to find out who is dumping.

**Report of Staff:** Mr. Mikel reported on the following:

- Recycling of Single Stream – Staff made a decision when the R-Board went to single stream to hold back and separate once again if the market was advantageous. The cardboard and paper market has taken off the last couple of months so staff is separating the cardboard and paper.
- Staff presented the FY2009 unqualified audit, conducted by Clifton Gunderson LLP, for acceptance by the R-Board.

Mr. Kelly motioned, seconded by Mr. Milde to approve proposed Resolution RB10-01.

By voice, the vote was:

Yea: (6) Baroody, Cameron, Crisp, Kelly, Milde, Solley  
Nay: (0)

**Resolution RB10-01 reads as follows:**

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE FY2009 AUDIT

WHEREAS, Clifton Gunderson LLP are the auditors for the Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board; and

WHEREAS, Clifton Gunderson LLP has conducted an independent auditor's report for the R-Board's review; and

WHEREAS, Clifton Gunderson LLP results of its tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board on this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2010 be and it hereby accepts the unqualified FY2009 Audit for the year ended June 30, 2009 as prepared by the accounting firm of Clifton Gunderson LLP.

Mr. Mikel also reported on the following:

- Snow Removal – Staff was instrumental in Stafford County's snow removal efforts.
- Composting 101 – Vulcan Materials Foundation verbally approved a \$1000 grant based on Julie May's efforts to assist in the composting program.
- E-4 Certification – Staff has encountered some setback in regards to E-4 Certification. An Environmental Management team has been set up and certification should be acquired in about a year.
- Cost Savings – Chipping tires on-site has saved over \$13,000 in four months and freed up an operator two days a week to pull trash from the Belman site which is saving another \$60,000 in hauling charges. After seven months only 38% of the R-Board budget has been used.

Mr. Milde asked which of the cost saving ideas were attributed to staff. Mr. Mikel responded that loading the recycling trucks was an issued and to purchase the equipment to load properly would costs tens of thousands of dollars. An employee, on his own initiative, designed a ramp so that the IT could be used to pack the trucks. The employee was featured in the Watercooler.

Mr. Solley stated that it was very commendable and congratulated staff on the cost savings.

Mr. Milde asked if there was a commodities market for contracts to buy paper, etc. Mr. Mikel responded that the market is very volatile now and staff is receiving month to month pricing.

**Correspondence:**

Mr. Mikel reported that this item covers compliments, concerns etc. that have occurred in the last quarter.

**New Business:**

Mr. Milde stated that there has been a lot of activity on Stafford County's side on the area to be set aside for the civil war park. The Board of Supervisors started the clock ticking on the Friends of the Civil War Sites where they have a 3-year window to raise a million dollars. Mr. Milde stated that Stafford wanted to keep the City as a partnership in seeing this go through.

Mr. Baroody stated that the intent of the summary is that the R-Board would bless the easements that set aside 25 acres. This has created some conflict with the County’s ordinances so it has been decided that an easement is justified. Mr. Wiley stated that the land is titled to the City and the County. Mr. Mikel noted that on RB10-03 there is language for the easement for the civil war park but to grant an easement for public access to that park.

Mr. Milde motioned, seconded by Mr. Kelly to approve proposed Resolution RB10-02.

By voice, the vote was:

Yea: (6) Baroody, Cameron, Crisp, Kelly, Milde, Solley  
Nay: (0)

**Resolution RB10-02 reads as follows:**

A RESOLUTION FOR A DEED OF EASEMENT FOR  
THE CIVIL WAR PARK

WHEREAS, Culpeper Investments, LLC, a limited liability corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, Culpeper Investments, LLC is the owner of certain real property situated in Stafford County containing 57.84 acres as recorded in the Land Records of Stafford County in Plat book 18, Page 65; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of Culpeper Investments, LLC to establish and grant a 50’ Ingress/Egress Easement over the property from Mount Hope Church Road extension cul-de-sac to tax map parcel 39-13 (the Landfill) for public access to the historic site of the Civil War-era Union Army encampment (the Civil War Park);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board on this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2010 that it be and hereby recommends to the Stafford Board of Supervisors and Fredericksburg City Council that an easement be granted by Culpeper Investments, LLC to the County for ingress/egress to the Civil War Park located on the landfill.

Mr. Milde motioned, seconded by Mr. Kelly to approve proposed Resolution RB10-03.

By voice, the vote was:

Yea: (6) Baroody, Cameron, Crisp, Kelly, Milde, Solley  
Nay: (0)

**Resolution RB10-03 reads as follows:**

A RESOLUTION TO GRANT A DEED OF EASEMENT  
FOR THE CIVIL WAR PARK

WHEREAS, it is the desire and intent of the Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board (R-Board) to establish and grant an easement to the historic site of the Civil

War-era Union Army encampment (the Civil War Park) located on the Landfill further identified as Stafford County Tax Map 39-23; and

WHEREAS, this easement shall encompass the historic site of the Civil War Park and provide for public access to the Civil War Park; and

WHEREAS, no person shall access the Landfill across this easement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board on this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2010 that it be and hereby recommends to the Stafford Board of Supervisors and Fredericksburg City Council that a deed of easement be granted to the County for the historic site of the Civil War Park located on the Landfill; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this easement is to be used solely as a historic park.

Mr. Hundley stated that he and Mr. Mikel have been talking about other areas to take advantage of in the value of the wetland and streams throughout the area that may never be used for landfilling and which might be considered putting into a bank and then selling those rights. A preliminary estimate could be up to \$600 per linear stream and estimates for wetland areas could be \$90,000 per acre. This could amount to something like \$3,500,000 in wetland credit/stream restoration. Mr. Hundley will report back to the Board at a later date.

**Future Session:** The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 19, 2010, ABC Conference Room, Stafford Administration Center.

**Adjournment.** The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 2:05 P.M.

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George Solley, Chairman

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Harry E. Crisp, Vice Chairman

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Patricia S. Rowe, Clerk

