

**RAPPAHANNOCK REGIONAL
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD**

Wednesday

November 14, 2012

George L. Gordon Government Center
Board of Supervisor Chambers

Meeting Convened. A regular meeting of the Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board (R-Board) was convened at 1:30 P.M., Wednesday, November 14, 2012, at the George L. Gordon Government Center, Board of Supervisor Chambers.

Roll Call. The following members were present: Paul V. Milde, III, Chairman; Frederic N. Howe, III, Vice Chairman; Beverley R. Cameron; Gary Snellings; and Keith Dayton, Alternate. Anthony J. Romanello arrived at 1:45 P.M. George Solley was absent.

Also in attendance were: Brendon Hefty, Esq., R-Board Attorney; Michael Fiore and Robert L. Hundley, Resource International, Ltd., Consulting Engineer; Steve Crosby, Interim Landfill Superintendent; Diane L. Jones, Recycling Coordinator; Julie May, Analyst; and Patricia S. Rowe, Clerk.

Others in attendance were John A. Rowe, citizen.

Mr. Howe motioned, seconded by Mr. Snellings, to approve the August 15, 2012 and September 19, 2012 minutes.

By voice, the vote was:

Yea:	(5)	Cameron, Howe, Milde, Snellings, Dayton
Absent:	(1)	Solley

Presentation by the Public: There were no presentations by the public.

Presentation of Proclamation: Mr. Milde read a proclamation to recognize Patricia Rowe, Clerk of the Board, for her service to the R-Board. Mr. Howe motioned, seconded by Mr. Snellings, to approve the proclamation.

By voice, the vote was:

Yea:	(5)	Cameron, Howe, Milde, Snellings, Dayton
Absent:	(1)	Solley

Report of the R-Board Attorney. Mr. Hefty reported there is no litigation against the R-Board at this time.

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

Old Permit No. 74 (Old Stafford County Landfill - Post Closure)

- The quarterly landfill gas sampling event from September indicated that all monitoring probes were in compliance. The next quarterly sampling event will occur in December.

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

- The R-Board's Part B draft permit for Phase 2 was advertised by the DEQ; a public hearing was held in Stafford on October 17 to receive comment; and the DEQ is now preparing the final permit for issuance.
- Cell F-1 construction is substantially complete with only a storm water drainage element remaining to be addressed. The DEQ will be conducting their Certificate to Operate (CTO) inspection of the cell within the next 30 days. Once the CTO inspection is completed and no deficiencies are noted, the CTO will be issued by the DEQ and the cell may be used by the R-Board.

Fredericksburg Landfill

- Resource has assisted the City in a return to quarterly landfill gas monitoring at the Cool Springs Road (Closed) Landfill. Sampling of the passive gas vents installed along the access road to the Group Home and in the parking area adjacent to the home appears to confirm that the vents are helping disperse landfill gas within that area.

Report on Finances: Mr. Crosby reported on the following:

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

Mr. Crosby reported no serious deficiencies on the Aging Report. County Waste is the largest customer with American Disposal in the middle and Waste Management has dropped significantly. Mr. Milde asked if staff has reworked the tonnage schedule to win back waste. Mr. Crosby stated that County Waste is taking advantage of the reduced fees for bringing in excess of 1500 tons per month. Mr. Crosby also stated that the monthly tonnage is consistent and that revenue and expenditures appear right on target.

Staff Report:

Daily Operations

Basic daily operations at Belman and Eskimo Hill continue to move ahead without any significant issues. DEQ quarterly inspection went well and did not identify any environmental problems. Equipment operators have done a good job of increasing the capacity of Cell E after a survey showed the slopes could be modified.

Administrative Review

Staff has been reviewing all administrative tasks in preparation for Pat Rowe's retirement at the end of December. Her position could be reduced to part time with some adjustments and cross training. Pat has indicated a willingness to return to work on a part time basis to support the R-Board.

Service Improvements

Negotiations with Allied Waste continue in an effort to make the operations at Belman more efficient. If Allied installs compactors and hauls the boxes, it could cut 5 trips per day to the landfill to 1 trip per day to Allied's transfer station. In addition to financial benefits, it would also reduce truck traffic on back roads and lower the risks of accidents.

The Stafford Utilities Department has been very helpful in reviewing the options of installing emergency generators to operate the maintenance shop and scale house. When specifications are completed, costs can be determined. Money was budgeted to purchase and install compactors at Belman. Should negotiations with Allied be successful, then the funds could be used to pay for the generators. The waste to energy proposals may also be a source of reliable electricity and eliminate the need for emergency generators.

The Stafford Information Technology Department has been helpful in developing a plan to upgrade the security cameras at the landfill. Additional coverage is needed to monitor the residential drop off area and other remote areas that may present an opportunity for inappropriate behavior by employees or citizens.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection

This event was held on October 10 at Belman Road from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. One hundred eighty-three residents participated. The following was collected:

4,360 gallons of material;

1 box of fluorescent bulbs; and

200 pounds of batteries

A total of 434 cars used the site on that day.

River Cleanup

Volunteer numbers from Friends of the Rappahannock for the river cleanup on October 20 were 257 volunteers and 30 students from Mountain View High School. The R-Board provided a dumpster and disposed of 6,380 pounds of garbage and debris.

New Business;

Mr. Cameron motioned, seconded by Mr. Howe, to approve proposed Resolution RB12-12 to adjust service hours.

By voice, the vote was:

Yea: (5) Cameron, Milde, Howe, Snellings, Dayton

Absent: (1) Solley

Resolution RB12-12 reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION TO ADJUST SERVICE HOURS

WHEREAS, the Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board (R-Board) staff recommends reduced hours of operation at the Eskimo Hill Road residential area and the Belman Road site; and

WHEREAS, this would be accomplished with a reduction of service hours for both sites by half an hour Monday through Friday from the current 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, these reduced hours will also reduce the operating costs at both facilities; and

WHEREAS, an advertising campaign would accompany this change;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Rappahannock Regional Solid Waste Management Board on this the 14rd day of November, 2012, that an adjustment of Regional Landfill residential area and Belman Road service hours be and it hereby is adjusted effective January 1, 2013.

Proposed Resolution RB12-13 to eliminate recycling sites: After much discussion on closing the remote recycling sites, Mr. Milde suggested that staff look at some options to reduce the program, educate the public on the possibility of losing a site because of improper dumping and to bring this back at the February meeting.

Proposed Resolution RB12-14 to eliminate brush/C&D at Belman: Mr. Cameron asked that there be a discussion internally before making a final decision and that the item be held until the February meeting.

Mr. Milde moved that the Board go into closed session pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(a)(29) of the Freedom of Information Act to discuss the award of a public contract involving the possible expenditure of public funds, specifically a waste to energy facility at the Stafford landfill for which Request for Proposal No. 111124 has been issued, and where discussion in an open session would adversely affect the bargaining or negotiating position of the Board. Motion was seconded by Mr. Snellings.

By voice, the vote was:

Yea: (5) Cameron, Milde, Howe, Snellings, Dayton
Absent: (1) Solley

Mr. Milde moved that the Board return to open session and certify, by roll call vote, that only those public business matters lawfully exempted from the open meeting requirements of the Freedom of Information Act and identified in the motion to go into closed session were heard, discussed or considered in the closed session. Motion was seconded by Mr. Snellings.

By roll call, the vote was:

Yea: (5) Cameron, Milde, Howe, Snellings, Dayton
Absent: (1) Solley

Mr. Howe moved that the R-Board authorize the staff to negotiate a contract with Energy Extraction Partners, LLC in response to RFP No. 111124 and to bring back to the Board a recommendation as to whether the R-Board should consider entering into a contract in response to the RFP, as well as the terms of such contract. Motion was seconded by Mr. Snellings.

By voice, the vote was:

Yea: (5) Cameron, Milde, Howe, Snellings, Dayton
Absent: (1) Solley

Mr. Milde and Mr. Howe to form a committee to review and negotiate a contract for waste to energy.

Future Session: February 20, 2013, George L. Gordon Government Center, Board of Supervisors Chambers, 1:30 P.M.

Adjournment. The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 2:51 P.M.

Paul V. Milde, III, Chairman

Frederic N. Howe, III, Vice Chairman

Patricia S. Rowe, Clerk