

ADAMS COUNTY LANDFILL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2010, 7:00 P.M.
STRONGS PRAIRIE TOWN HALL**

Members Present: Dennis Erickson, St. Pr. Town Chair
Myrna Diemert, Solid Waste Director
Nancy Wical, Town Supervisor/Citizen Member
Larry Gasienica, Preston Town Representative

Others Present: Larry Babcock, PW Chair
Florence Johnson, PW Committee Member
Patrick Gatterman, PW Committee Member

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL & APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The meeting of the Solid Waste Advisory Committee was called to order by Chairperson, Dennis Erickson at 7:00 P.M.. All Committee members present.

There were no additions or changes to the agenda. *Motion by Wical, second by Gasienica, to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.*

MINUTES: Ms. Diemert presented the minutes of the May 17, 2010 Advisory Committee Meeting. *Motion by Gasienica, second by Wical, to approve the minutes of the May 17, 2010 Advisory Committee Meeting as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.*

UPDATE ON OPERATIONS/SITE REPORT: Ms. Diemert reported on the following items **SITE REPORT FOR JUNE 2010 THROUGH DECEMBER 2010:**

RECYCLING: Recycling markets have been steady and we have been shipping the stockpiled comingled bales. We are working on an agreement between the Union, IROW and Adams County to provide contracted workers in the recycling building.

Scrap metals, tires, appliances, fluorescent bulbs, glass aggregate, batteries, and waste oil/antifreeze are being shipped regularly. Recycling volumes are still exceeding required amounts and the reject materials are still very low.

REVENUES & TIPPAGE: Garbage tippage for 2010 is higher than last year by approximately 7.5%. Of this, the “free” tippage portion to Strongs Prairie has increased 11% from 838.34 tons in 2009 to 922.92 tons in 2010.

Since last year we had 160 new over-the-scale customers using our landfill compared to 133 in 2009, 197 in 2008, and 347 in 2007. This translates to \$9,600.00 in increased annual revenues for 2010.

The business/residential dumpster service is still going well although we have lost several customers due to the recession. Since last year we've added 175 (\$65,190.00) new customers compared to 206 in 2009 (\$64,881.00) and 183 new customers in 2008 (\$49,834.25). However, this year we have lost 171 (-61,803.00) in 2010 due to the economy and 172 customers (-\$58,041.00) in 2009. This service currently brings in approximately \$565,000.00 annually.

The Town of Jackson and Village of Friendship contracted curbside pickup is going very well. The City of Adams chose to use a private hauler for curbside collection effective 7/1/10, however, they are bringing the materials to the landfill.

Since the beginning of the year there were 985 (\$158,245.00) large roll-off containers leased out to private citizens and contractors in 2010 compared to 928 (\$119,270.00) in 2009 and 1243 (\$140,726.00) in 2008. These figures do not count the trash & garbage in these containers **that was previously being taken out of county.**

INSPECTIONS: Landfill related inspections passed without violations or citations issued. Groundwater monitoring again showed road salt chemicals in some wells, some of which are not down-gradient to the landfill and could be normal groundwater fluctuations and/or road run-off. No VOC's were detected.

All scale, and fuel system mandatory inspections passed without any violations, problems or citations. The fire department inspection again showed that materials stored within 2 feet of the ceiling must be removed. There is no other storage area for these materials. No other areas of concern were found or violations noted.

LANDFILL IMPROVEMENTS: No major improvements were made to landfill buildings or grounds.

LANDFILL CONSTRUCTION UPDATE: Waste volume & compaction calculations were done showing continued improvement in compaction rates in the landfill. Preliminary work on Cell #4 sub-base was performed as well as the glass sub-base was put down in preparation for the first lift of clay. Clay is currently being stockpiled into the cell for next spring's construction. We need to get the N ½ of Cell #4 done prior to next winter.

OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS: A ½ price appliance and tire roundup was held on Saturday, June 26th. A Hazardous Waste Clean Sweep and Pharmaceutical Collection were also held the same day.

OTHER: The County budget for 2011 has been approved. The SW tax levy portion has decreased another \$32,571.00 which is a 12% decrease from the 2010 Budget. The 2010 budget was another 18.6% decrease over 2009 Budget. There are no price increases for 2011 due to the condition of the economy. Since we are now an Enterprise Fund we have had to pay for our own worker's comp insurance, liability insurance, etc. which has added a significant amount to our expenditures along with negotiated health insurance and wage increases.

Of the \$2,433,335.00 SW Budget for 2011:

\$238,578.00 is on the tax levy which is 1.39% of the total County tax levy
(1.581 in 2010; 1.938% in 2009; and 2.223% in 2008).

SW Debt is 0% of the total County Debt;

\$142,139.00 is recycling grants;

\$2,052,618.00 revenues from customer user fees and sale of processed recyclables.

CONSIDERATIONS TO STRONGS PRAIRIE: Since the first of the year, the citizens of Strongs Prairie have received the following at no charge:

2010

922.92 tons of garbage worth \$43,377.24 (does not include surcharge fees)

70.54 tons of brush worth \$3,174.30

15.09 tons of yard waste worth \$603.60

2009

681.41 tons of garbage worth \$33,457.23 (468.87 tons of garbage, worth \$21,774.04
(Reported last year--This fee did not include all customers)

32.82 tons of brush worth \$1,312.80

12.99 tons of yard waste worth \$454.65

Total consideration since the first of the year to Strongs Prairie as host community for **2009 is \$33,224.68.**

2008

588.2 tons of garbage, worth \$27,704.22

66.53 tons of brush worth \$2,328.55

15.08 tons of yard waste worth \$452.40

Total consideration since the first of the year to Strongs Prairie as host community for 2008 is **\$30,485.17.**

2007

1218.32 tons of garbage, worth \$48,732.80

90.08 tons of brush worth \$2,765.50

15.07 tons of yard waste worth \$376.75

Total consideration since the first of the year to Strongs Prairie as host community for 2007 is **\$51,732.80.**

2006

962.54 tons of garbage, worth \$38,501.60

121.03 tons of brush worth \$4,236.05

18.12 tons of yard waste worth \$453.00

Total consideration since the first of the year to Strongs Prairie as host community for 2006 is **\$43,190.65.**

UPDATE ON OUT-OF-COUNTY WASTE: See attached Tonnage and Charge Summary reports and Marketing Plan. Discussion was held.

IDENTIFY POSSIBLE UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS: No specific items were discussed.

ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING DATE (MAY 17, 2010): Motion by Wical, second by Gasienica, to adjourn until the next meeting which will be held on May 16, 2011. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
MYRNA DIEMERT, SW DIRECTOR/RECYCLING COORDINATOR**

THESE MINUTES HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE COMMITTEE