

ADAMS COUNTY LANDFILL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2013, 7:00 P.M.
STRONGS PRAIRIE TOWN HALL**

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

Others Present: Larry Babcock, SW Committee Chair
Florence Johnson, SW Committee Vice-Chair
James Bays, SW Committee Member
Everett Johnson

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 7:13 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 20, 2013 Advisory Committee Meeting. *Motion by Wical, second by Gasienica, to approve the minutes of the May 20, 2013 Advisory Committee Meeting as corrected. All in favor. Motion carried.*

UPDATE ON OPERATIONS/SITE REPORT: Ms. Diemert then reported on the following items for 2013 through December.

RECYCLING: Recycling markets have remained stable. Baled recyclables, scrap metals, tires, appliances, fluorescent bulbs, glass aggregate, batteries, and waste oil/antifreeze are being shipped regularly. We have recently added #3-#7 plastics back into the recycling program as well as drink boxes and cartons. Recycling volumes are still exceeding required amounts and the reject materials are still very low. We are working on improving the quality of the recyclables picked up comingled and keeping bags out of the trucks as these plug the system. We are asking that people put loose recyclables out in bins or boxes without being in bags.

REVENUES & TIPPAGE: Garbage tippage for 2013 is 7.66% higher than last year. In May we were 9.8% lower than last year so this is significant increase since then. See attached Tippage Reports. Much of this is from the added out-of-county waste.

Of this, the “free” garbage tippage portion to Strongs Prairie was 745.6 tons (\$44,736.30). In 2012 this

was 876.04 tons (\$41,173.88). Strongs Prairie did pay their share of the recycling surcharge which is not included in this amount). In 2011 this was 1,732.43 tons due to the tornado. In 2010 Strongs Prairie produced 922.92 tons. In 2009 Strongs Prairie produced 838.34 tons.

The Town of Jackson, Village of Friendship, Village of Coloma, and Village of Oxford curbside pickup is going very well. The City of Adams and Dell Prairie contracts were given to Clark Disposal and are coming to the County Landfill. The Federal Prison at Oxford is now hauling their own waste using their own equipment which frees up our employees for other new customers.

Since the beginning of the year there were 978 roll-off containers leased out to private citizens and contractors bringing in \$188,750. (1123 containers in 2012 bringing in \$168,450. 1200 containers in 2011 bringing in \$178,175.00). This does not include the tippage.

We have also had 1,379 drop-off site container switch-outs through the year bringing in \$80,210 in revenues. In 2012 we had 1,424 drop-off site containers bringing \$77,020 revenues. 2011 we had 1,377 drop-off site container switch-outs through the year bringing in \$80,180.00 in fees.

The new Ordinance requiring all waste from Adams County come to Adams County is going well. We have several haulers who got permits for 2014. Stickers for 2014 were issued for their trucks.

OUT-OF-COUNTY WASTE: \$278,666.10 in revenues has been seen in 2013 for out-of-county waste. Garbage tonnage from Out-of-County in 2013 is **4,644.44**. Strongs Prairie will be paid .50 for each ton of waste brought in for any out-of-county waste each year over 5,000. In 2012 this was \$176,169.10 for the 2,160 tons of waste. In 2011 that was \$127,636.80 from Out-of-County for the 1,575 tons of waste. (See attached reports)

Leased roll-off containers also brought in \$34,475 in fees and recycling contracts also brought in another \$10,032.55 from out-of-county. Total revenues from out-of-county equal \$323,173.65.

We secured agreements with two haulers in Juneau County to bring waste to our landfill when the Juneau County landfill closed in July of 2013. The two haulers have set up a transfer site and have been bringing materials here since October. These two haulers were given incentive rates as they agreed to bring in certain amounts of waste each year. We need this agreement to justify expanding our landfill. Without the additional waste (revenues) we will probably not be able to expand, causing all Adams County citizens hardship regarding waste disposal. The engineers estimate that even with this additional waste we will meet our 2019 obligation to Strongs Prairie.

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. VOC's were not detected. Methane gas was not detected.

All scale and fuel system mandatory inspections passed without any violations, problems or citations.

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: We have been working on capping Cell #1. Gas piping has been installed and we will complete this next year and it is expected that the gas flare to be installed in 2015. Work will begin on the liner for the South half of Cell #4.

OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS: The ½ price appliance and tire roundup and Hazardous Waste Clean Sweep/Pharmaceutical Collection will be held in late July.

OTHER: Discussion was held on the GEITS development in the City of Adams. A study will be done on how this will impact the operations at the County Landfill. An update will be given at the next meeting.

The County budget for 2014 has been approved.

Of the \$2,520,670 SW Budget for 2014:

\$110,162 is on the tax levy which is .639% of the total levy. This is up slightly since 2013 due to the fact that we could not increase our prices to customers for garbage collection services.

\$97,000 is from recycling grants

\$2,313,508 is from customer revenues

CONSIDERATIONS TO STRONGS PRAIRIE: Since the first of the year thru the December 16th, the citizens of Strongs Prairie have received the following at no charge:

2013 745.6 tons of garbage = \$44,736.30

40.61 tons of brush = \$1,827.45

350.48 tons of clean concrete = \$3,504.80

159.69 tons of stumps = \$2,395.35

24.035 tons of yard waste = \$961.40

Total consideration since the first of the year to Strongs Prairie as host community for 2013 is \$53,425.30. This does not include the “free service” at the drop-off site.

2012 876.04 tons of garbage = \$52,562.61

82.42 tons of brush = \$3,709.90

17.82 tons of clean concrete = \$445.50

158.49 tons of stumps = \$2,377.35

37.05 tons of yard waste \$1,481.80

Total consideration since the first of the year to Strongs Prairie as host community for 2012 is \$60,576.16 plus the free service at the drop-off site.

2011 1,732.43 tons of garbage = \$81,424.21

136.08 tons of brush worth \$6,123.60

19.93 tons of yard waste worth \$797.20.
Total consideration since the first of the year to Strongs Prairie for 2011 is **\$88,345.01.**

2010 **922.92 tons of garbage worth \$43,377.**
70.54 tons of brush worth \$3,174.30
15.09 tons of yard waste worth \$603.60
Total consideration since the first of the year to Strongs Prairie for 2010 is **\$47,155.14.**

2009 **681.41 tons of garbage worth \$33,457.23**
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 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 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 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 for 2006 is **\$43,190.65.**

ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING DATE (May 19, 2014): *Motion by Wical, second by Gasienica, to adjourn until the next meeting which will be held on Monday, May 19, 2014. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.*

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

THESE MINUTES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED BY THE COMMITTEE