

Indian River County Florida

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Solid Waste Disposal District Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, August 13, 2019

Commission Chambers

Board of County Commissioners

*Bob Solari, Chairman, District 5
Susan Adams, Vice Chairman, District 1
Joseph E. Flescher, District 2
Peter D. O'Bryan, District 4
Tim Zorc, District 3*

**Jason E. Brown, County Administrator
Dylan Reingold, County Attorney
Jeffrey R. Smith, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller
Randi Wardlow, Deputy Clerk**

15. SPECIAL DISTRICTS AND BOARDS

B. Solid Waste Disposal District

The Board of County Commissioners reconvened as the Board of Commissioners of the Solid Waste Disposal District. The minutes will be approved at an upcoming Solid Waste Disposal District meeting.

15.B.1. 19-0741 Final Pay to Geosyntec for Work Authorization No CCNA-2018 WO No 4 - Evaluation of Landfill Liquids Management Options

Recommended Action: Solid Waste Disposal District staff recommends that its Board approve Geosyntec's final invoice amount of \$6,606.50

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

There was no discussion regarding this item.

A motion was made by Commissioner O'Bryan, seconded by Vice Chairman Adams, to approve staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Flescher

15.B.2. 19-0740 Final Pay to CDM Smith for CCNA 2018 Work Order No. 2 - Contamination Evaluation Plan Implementation

Recommended Action: Solid Waste Disposal District staff recommends that its Board approve CDM Smith's final invoice amount of \$2,358.75

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

There was no discussion regarding this item.

A motion was made by Commissioner O'Bryan, seconded by Vice Chairman Adams, to approve staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Flescher

15.B.3. 19-0754 Update on Potential Transition to Mandatory Garbage Collection

Recommended Action: Staff recommends that the Board authorize staff to obtain proposal for outside services to assist with the identification, education and enforcement of residents that are utilizing recycling carts for garbage service. Staff recommends not implementing mandatory collection until October 1, 2022.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)[Letter from Waste Management to Jason Brown dated July 29, 2019](#)[E-Mail from Waste Management to Jason Brown dated August 1, 2019](#)

Vincent Burke, Director of Utility Services, and Himanshu Mehta, Managing Director of the Solid Waste Disposal District (SWDD), appeared before the Board with an update to the progress made regarding the implementation of mandatory garbage service in the County. In an effort to stop the use of recycling carts for garbage, the Board voted on July 19, 2019 and July 23, 2019 to execute a provision in their contract with Waste Management to move from subscription service to mandatory/universal collection service for all County residents.

Director Mehta used a PowerPoint presentation to further detail the contamination issue, the action plan implemented by SWDD, and the ramifications of having contaminated recycling loads. His presentation also recounted recent discussions with Waste Management regarding the implementation of universal collection, and concluded with staff's recommendation.

The Board first discussed and clarified Waste Management's July correspondence which confirmed the contracted rate for residents inside the Urban Service Area (USA), but raised the current subscription rate for residents outside the USA. Additionally, Waste Management requested to waive or redefine negotiated items in their contract which did not expire until September 30, 2022.

Discussion continued with Commissioners and staff expressing their dismay at Waste Management's rate increase for service outside the USA, as well as their requests to modify their contract at this juncture. The Board also expressed concern for the need to meet state-mandated recycling levels, the legality of Waste Management's requests, and responsibility for contamination oversight.

The Chairman opened the discussion to public comment.

Fern Grounds, 2375 11th Court SW, spoke in favor of mandatory garbage service in the County.

Lisa McKnight, Waste Management Area Public Sector Director, addressed the Board with a prepared statement which outlined the company's issues with their existing contract and the challenges of providing universal service to the County.

Members of the Board reacted to Ms. McKnight's statements and concluded the discussion when it was apparent the County and Waste Management were at an impasse. Chairman Solari called for a vote on staff's recommendation to keep the existing system and not implement mandatory pick up at this time.

A motion was made by Commissioner O'Bryan, seconded by Vice Chairman Adams, to approve staff's recommendation to refrain from implementing mandatory collection until October 1, 2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Flescher

15.B.4. 19-0757 Change Order No. 5 to Thalle (Bid #2018025)

Recommended Action: Solid Waste Disposal District staff recommends that its Board approve and authorize the Chairman to execute Change Order No. 5 approving extension in contract time for Milestone 1, Milestone 2, and Final Completion by 68 days and allow the use of \$530,761.05 from contingency funding to Thalle Construction Company, Inc., for the Segment 3 Cell 2 Expansion, Segment 2 Partial Closure and Landfill Gas System Expansion project.

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[CDM Smith Letter of Recommendation](#)
[Change in Contract Summary Log](#)

Director of Utility Services Vincent Burke appeared before the Board seeking approval of Change Order Number 5 from Thalle Construction for work associated with the County landfill expansion. He noted that the additional costs would be covered by the contingency fund.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Adams, seconded by Chairman Solari, to approve staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Flescher