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August 16, 2011

**SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL DISTRICT
MEETING MINUTES**

The Board of Commissioners of the Solid Waste Disposal District met at the County Commission Chambers, 1801 27th Street, Vero Beach, Florida, on Tuesday, August 16, 2011. Present were Chairman Bob Solari, Vice Chairman Gary C. Wheeler, Commissioners Wesley S. Davis, Joseph E. Flescher, and Peter D. O'Bryan. Also present were County Administrator Joseph A. Baird, County Attorney Alan S. Polackwich, Sr., and Deputy Clerk Maureen Gelfo.

Chairman Solari called the meeting to order at 1:22 p.m.

~~15.B.1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES MEETING OF JUNE 21, 2011~~

~~15.B.2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES MEETING OF JULY 12, 2011~~

The Chairman asked if there were any corrections or additions to the Minutes of the SWDD Meetings of June 21, and July 12, 2011. There were none.

ON MOTION by Commissioner O'Bryan, SECONDED by Commissioner Davis, the Board unanimously approved the Minutes of the SWDD Meetings of June 21, and July 12, 2011, as written.

~~15.B.3. APPROVAL OF BID AWARD FOR IRC BID NO. 2011055.~~

~~FENCING IMPROVEMENTS AT INDIAN RIVER COUNTY LANDFILL
RECYCLING CENTER~~

ON MOTION by Commissioner Flescher, SECONDED by Commissioner Davis, the Board unanimously: (1) approved the Bid Award to Stuart Fence Company as the lowest most responsive and responsible bidder, meeting the specifications as set forth in the Invitation to Bid; (2) approved the sample agreement; and (3) authorized the Chairman to execute said agreement after receipt and approval of the required certificate of insurance and after the County Attorney has approved the agreement as to form and legal sufficiency, as recommended in the memorandum of August 8, 2011.

~~AGREEMENT ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK TO THE BOARD~~

15.B.4. REQUEST TO RENEW LEASE BY MWI CORPORATION

Commissioner Davis opened discussion on whether it was prudent to grant the request of MWI Corporation to renew their lease on landfill property located on Oslo Road for fifteen years. He added that the County's future was uncertain as to the status of the landfill and possible landfill expansion, and fifteen years is a long time. He noted, too, that the subject area could be a tremendous asset to economic development, and he was uncertain if this was the highest and best use for the land.

Administrator Baird elaborated on MWI's proposed expansion plans, which included constructing an additional building and hiring more staff.

Discussion continued, with input from Himanshu Mehta, Managing Director, Solid Waste Disposal District, regarding MWI's future plans.

Administrator Baird recommended renewing the lease for 5 years, and reevaluating if and when MWI comes forward with concrete plans.

Attorney Polackwich agreed that it made no sense to approve an extension for an expansion that may not materialize.

Director of Utilities Erik Olson addressed Commissioner O'Bryan's query on what happens at the conclusion of the fifteen-year lease period if MWI is granted their request.

Chairman Solari suggesting authorizing a 5-year lease with the flexibility for amendment should circumstances dictate.

ON MOTION by Commissioner O'Bryan, SECONDED by Commissioner Davis, the Board unanimously authorized staff to authorize a 5-year extension of the lease with MWI Corporation, with the flexibility to do something else should the applicant present more concrete plans for expansion.