



Board Meeting November 18, 2021

Meeting Anchor Location: Trans-Jordan Landfill

Attending:

Kane Loader, Chairman – Midvale City
Russ Kakala – Murray City
Steve Siddoway – Draper City
Paul Browning – Sandy City

Ray Garrison – South Jordan City
Robert Markle – Draper City
Tim Peters – West Jordan City

Dave Newton, Vice Chair – West Jordan City
Troy McDougal – Riverton City
Jason Rasmussen – South Jordan City

Glen Kennedy – Midvale City
Trace Robinson – Riverton City

Also Attending:

Absent

N/A

1. & 2. Welcome and Roll Call

Kane Loader called the meeting to order at 7:32 a.m. and welcomed all in attendance. A verbal roll call was taken and all in attendance are listed above for the record.

3. Public Comment

Kane opened the meeting to public comment. No public comments were made.

4. Approval of September 2021 Meeting Minutes

The floor was open to comments or requested revisions to the September 2021 Minutes. No revisions were requested.

Russ Kakala made a motion to approve the August 2021 Board Meeting Minutes and *Troy McDougal* seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Treasurer's Report

Jordan Hensley reported on the following:

September and October 2021 Financials – Jordan reviewed the September and October 2021 Financial Statements with the Board. The following items were discussed:

36 • **Post Closure Account.** Jordan spoke about the Post Closure Account. Jaren reminded the
37 Board that the account is required to have enough funds to close the current open areas of the
38 landfill and the amount needed is re-evaluated yearly. It also has enough funds to cover
39 maintaining the closed landfill for 30+ years. The interest income on the account has always
40 made enough money to cover any required increase, however, this may not be the case this
41 year since interest income is so low. We are watching the account and will let the board know
42 if funds will be needed.

43 • **Compactor Payment.** The first payment on the leased compactor has been made.

44 • **Zipline Lease Payment.** We have received a deposit and the rent for the first month from
45 Zipline. This initial payment was \$21,000 but will reduce to \$7,000 a month when the rent
46 payments are due on a monthly basis (when they facility is complete).

47 • **Green Waste Cash Flow Analysis.** Jaren explained that he had asked Jordan to prepare a cash
48 flow analysis for Green Waste based on Board's questions about the program's financial status.
49 The analysis takes into account past performance of green waste and how we believe it will
50 perform through closure. Green waste acceptance will end November 2023 with product sales
51 continuing through Summer of 2024. The report includes cash in and out as well as how much
52 was saved by not landfilling the waste (actual landfilling cost not airspace savings). The
53 information presented to the Board is included on the PowerPoint presentation. Kane asked if
54 there are plans to keep a green waste separation operation after we shut down composting
55 operations. Jaren said that he is still looking into the possibility of having operations here and
56 sending material to Bayview for composting. Right now, Bayview does not have a composting
57 operation but the O&M Committee is evaluating the possibility. The cost to haul the material
58 down and back will be one of the largest obstacles to continuing the program.

59 **6. Legal Report**

60 Craig Hall reported on the following:

61 **Bayview Additional Property / STILA Lease** – Craig and Jaren have been working with STILA on
62 securing additional land for Bayview. NUERA is in the process of submitting an application for an
63 additional 140 acres which is necessary to divert drainage and secure the water needed for operations.

64 **Provo City / Bayview Water Situation** – Provo City drilled a water well at the Bayview Location 35
65 years ago and secured the water rights. Two years after the well was established Bayview (under
66 South Utah Valley) started using the water and have done so for the past 33 years. Provo is now
67 wanting to take the water as surplus which is creating an issue because it is required for Bayview's
68 operations. Craig is working on this situation.

69 **Sandy Transfer Station Updates** – We found out this week that Sandy City is considering the east side
70 of the property the front of the facility requiring a 15-foot landscaping requirement. The loss of 15
71 feet as functional space is dire to the needs of the Transfer Station. This requirement necessitates a
72 change in the road that is will be shared with Greenlaw. We need to work on moving that road to the
73 property line, which will require moving some utilities and updated negotiations with Greenlaw.

74 **Soil Acceptance from South Valley Water** – Craig and Jaren spoke about the request from South Valley
75 Water Reclamation Facilities (SVWRF) counsel to accept the soil at a reduced rate or free. Glen
76 Kennedy asked for the email chain with this request as he is also a board member for SVWRF and this

77 has not been discussed with that Board. The Board discussed this request and everyone expressed
78 that accepting the soil less than gate rate is not in the best interest of Trans-Jordan.

79 **2022 Legislative Session** – Craig spoke of two bills that have been identified which can impact landfills
80 in the upcoming legislative session. These bills will deal with Metal Recycling and Governmental Flow
81 Control.

82 **7. Executive Director's Report**

83 Jaren Scott reported on the following:

84 **COVID Status** – We continue to be fortunate that COVID has not resulted in large staffing hardships.
85 The vaccination incentive has been well received and currently 60% of the staff has been vaccinated.
86 Recently we have had two employees out due to family exposure, both unvaccinated. If they were
87 vaccinated, they could have returned to work without spending time in quarantine. Employees who
88 are off for COVID or COVID related time off must use their own leave hours (sick and vacation).

89 **Solid Waste Social** - Due to the continuing issues with COVID we have decided to forgo the in person
90 Solid Waste Social again this year. The approach that we would like to take this year is inviting City
91 Councils out to Trans-Jordan for a work session and tour. If they are unable to come to Trans-Jordan,
92 we will request that Jaren attend a work session or regular council meeting and make a presentation.

93 **WASTECON Recap** – Jaren and the other Board Members that attended WASTECON gave a recap of
94 their conference experience.

95 **Inbound Scale Failure and Replacement** – The main inbound scale failed the first of November.
96 Fortunately, we ordered a new scale in September. The estimated arrival and installation of the new
97 scale will start the first part of December and will last approximately four weeks.

98 **Compactor Insurance Update** – The insurance payment for the burned compactor has been received.
99 The amount we received was \$566,430.00. There is a chance that we could receive more as the
100 insurance company is still reviewing the claim for replacement cost.

101 **Transfer Station Updates** – Jaren noted that we have been continuing with Design Meetings and have
102 been finalizing an RFP for CM / GC. Jaren is also working with Sandy City's requests / requirements
103 such as a traffic flow study and the 15 feet landscaping requirement (spoke of earlier).

104 **HHW Sandy City Facility Update** – The HHW Facility Project has stalled therefore there is no new
105 information to report.

106 **South Valley Remediation Update** – Odor complaints have become more frequent. The complaints
107 have been redirected to the appropriate organizations. With the increase in homes directly adjacent
108 to this remediation project we anticipate more complaints in the future.

109 **Bayview Update** – Jaren continues to work with / mentor the Bayview Manager. Updates to the Drug
110 and Alcohol Policy have been evaluated and changes have been made for approval from the NUERA
111 Board. In addition, yearly budgets for NUERA have been approved by the Board.

112 **Zipline Status** – Zipline is currently working on permits with South Jordan City. Power has been routed
113 to the area for the facility. Recent press coverage has been seen in multiple outlets about the project.

114 **PCC Project Update** – The construction for the expansion and update of the PCC is scheduled to begin
115 the first part of December. This project will increase the usable area on the PCC by 30%. The
116 contractor is anticipating the project will be completed the first part of April 2022.

117 **Wage Discussion** – Jaren spoke about the discussion held in September regarding hiring and comments
118 regarding starting wages. Similar to most other companies we are still having a problem recruiting
119 employees but our bigger concern is retention of current employees. Jaren spoke about current
120 staffing levels and what would happen if we are unable to hire and/or loose current staff. We are able
121 to maintain all operations as usual but if we lose staff adjustments on some services may need to be
122 made (i.e. HHW and Green Waste). The Board discussed current wages and proposals from Jaren on
123 adjustments. After the discussion a decision was made to increase wages across the board by 12.5%.

124 **Troy McDougal** made a motion to increase wages of staff by 12.5% and **Jason Rasmussen**
125 seconded the motion. The motion passed with six approval votes and one dissenting vote from
126 Sandy City. Sandy City supported an increase, but in the hybrid format impacting lower wage
127 earners more than higher wage earners.

128 **Christmas Eve and New Years Eve Closing Hours** – As in years past we will close the landfill at 4:00
129 p.m. on both Christmas Eve and New Years Eve. All the major haulers have been notified and signs will
130 be placed at the scale house and on the website.

131 **SWANA Symposium** – The SWANA Utah Beehive Symposium will be held again in March 2022 in
132 Springdale. If you would like to attend contact Brenda.

133 **8. Executive Session**

134 No Executive Session needed.

135 **9. Chairman's Items**

136 Kane addressed the following:

137 **December Board Meeting** – We are not scheduled to hold a meeting in December so we will meet
138 again in January.

139 **11. Adjourn**

140 *Jason Rasmussen* made a motion to adjourn and *Russ Kakala* seconded the motion. The meeting
141 adjourned at 10:06 a.m.