

**MINUTES OF THE SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2012**

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Chairman and Trustees of the Clinton Solid Waste Authority of Clinton, Oklahoma, Custer County, held in the City Council Room, City Hall on Tuesday, September 4, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. A notice of this meeting with agenda was posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of Clinton City Hall on August 30, 2012.

Chairman Bryson called the meeting to order with the following present;

**CHAIRMAN:** Allen Bryson

**TRUSTEES:** Bob Marcy, Jason Hulin, Don Rodolph, Phyllis Smith

**CITY MANAGER:** Steve Hewitt

**CITY CLERK:** Lisa Anders

**CITY TREASURER:** Debra Blanchard

**DEPUTY CLERK:** Rhonda Williams

**CITY ATTORNEY:** Ryan Meacham

**NEWS MEDIA:** Gerald Green and Mike Smith

**OTHERS:** Julie Menge, Mary Helen Jones, Jeremy Brush, Gene McCullough, David Crabtree, Seth Adams, L.R. Sights, Stephen Jones, Dave Thorpe, Curtis Maloy, Tracy Crawford, Carrie Miller, Sean Steves, Rosco Dorse and others.

Roland Youngberg of the First United Methodist Church opened the meeting with prayer and Trustee Jason Hulin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 7, 2012
- B. Consider Claims

Moved by Trustee Hulin and seconded by Trustee Marcy, that Consent Agenda Item No. 3 (a-b) be approved.

Chairman put the motion to a roll call vote:

Aye: Hulin, Marcy, Smith, Rodolph, Bryson

Nay: None

Chairman declared the motion carried.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 ACTION ITEMS**

**A. PRESENTATION BY REPUBLIC TRASH SERVICES REGARDING THE FUTURE OF TRASH AND RECYCLING FOR THE CITY OF CLINTON**

City Manager Steve Hewitt introduced representatives from Republic Trash Services: Tracy Crawford, Sean Steves, Carrie Miller and Rosco Dorse. He said the goal is to improve services for the City's trash service and Republic has ideas that they would like to present.

Carrie Miller presented a power point presentation regarding the current relationship between Republic Trash Service and the City of Clinton.

Sean Steves explained the proposal regarding converting the current transfer station into a recycling center. He said the Republic would begin picking up the trash rather than city employees. He said Clinton was the ideal location for this type of operation given the close proximity to the transfer station in Weatherford to take the household trash to and make the Clinton site the site of recycling. He said Republic would look to maximize the recycling program to Weatherford and Elk City.

Trustee Rodolph asked how many employees the City has in the Solid Waste Department.

City Manager Steve Hewitt said there are currently five employees in the Solid Waste Department. He said that Republic Trash would need employees and their pay scale is better than that of the City.

Sean Steves said the selling point for the project is that for the plan to work all components must be present. He said items such as the length of the contract would be negotiated.

Trustee Rodolph said he is supportive of recycling but wondered how many years are left on the current contract.

Tracy Crawford said the current contract began July 1 so there is about 4 ½ years left on the contract.

Trustee Rodolph asked if the proposed program would increase the cost to the customers.

Sean Steves said they are working on the numbers for the proposal. He said that the Consumer Price Index would be included in the contract negotiations.

City Manager Steve Hewitt said if the proposal were accepted a new contract would be prepared to include the recycling program. He said the goal is to increase services and not increase costs.

Trustee Rodolph asked about the Solid Waste Equipment that the city owns.

Sean Steves said the equipment would be sold and new equipment would be purchased. He explained this would consolidate the services all being from Republic Trash Service.

City Manager Steve Hewitt asked how Republic Trash Service would handle customers needing assistance with their polycart.

Sean Steves said if the customer could provide information from their doctor to confirm the need that they could receive curb side assistance.

Trustee Marcy said he would need to know the cost of recycling before he could make a decision.

City Manager Steve Hewitt said he needed to know if the Authority liked the concept that has been presented. He said that negotiation regarding equipment and final numbers can begin. He suggested public meeting be held to answer any questions the public might have. He said the goal could be to implement the program in early 2013. He asked for more feedback and information.

Trustee Hulin said that recycling would be a great tool to get the community involved in and he hoped to see a dramatic increase in participation.

Sean Steves said the trash pickup would be weekly and recycling would be picked up every other week.

Dave Tharp asked who would determine the value of the equipment that the city currently owns.

Sean Steves said a thirty party company has determined the value of the equipment.

Curtis Maloy asked if Republic Trash Service received any federal or state subsidy.

Sean Steves said no.

**AGENDA ITEM NO .5: CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

None

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

None

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Trustee Marcy and seconded by Trustee Hulin that the meeting adjourn.

Chairman put the motion to a roll call vote

Aye: Marcy, Hulin, Rodolph, Smith, Bryson

Nay: None

Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm.