

Blue Hills Environmental Association, Inc.
Meeting Minutes
October 21, 2013

In Attendance:

Paul Ramsey
Delwin Wengert
Barry Weller
Spence Udall
Ferrin Crosby
Ray Davis
Robert Mackenzie

Conference Call:

Shawn Nau
Steve West

Item #1

Paul Ramsey welcomed everyone.

Item #2

Delwin made a motion to approve the minutes. No discussion. Spence seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous.

Item #3

Discussion and conversation of equipment and 2006 Peterbilt side load. Ray reported and handed out a spec sheet on a 2006 Peterbilt side load. Ray reported Blue Hills Environmental had purchased a 2007 Autocar Bridgeport and liked the Bridgeport, but the Autocar had several issues, so Blue Hills Environmental sold it. Ray reported that Blue Hills Environmental needed to upgrade the 1996 Rapid Rail side load. Ray showed three similar trucks and pricing was higher for all three. Delwin questioned how many miles/hours do we get on a side load per year. Ray reported that we should get about seven years on the 2006 Peterbilt. There would be constant maintenance and up keep on both body and chassis. Ray also reported on the 631. Ray stated he had looked into upgrading the 631 with a 621 or 623. Ray found one but figured it was not a good time to replace. Ray reported that since we are keeping the 631, Blue Hills Environmental would need to rebuild the cushion hitch, which will cost about \$50,500. Spence made a motion to purchase the Peterbilt for \$58,500 if the truck checks out to be what Blue Hills Environmental wants. Delwin seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous.

Item #4

Discussion of Blue Hills Environmental Benefits – Ray asked what the counties and cities were doing with health insurance and reported Blue Hills Environmental has two options: 1) have employees move to Obama Care and create a cafeteria plan, or 2) wait for Blue Cross Blue Shield and others to bid on Blue Hills Environmental insurance for the year. The consensus was to wait and Ray would make the decision as to what is best for Blue Hills Environmental and employees. No vote was taken.

Item #5

Ray started a discussion by asking if Blue Hills Environmental should continue the clean ups that have taken place in conjunction with the cities and towns. Ray reported that he would get dates to the Board so they could put the dates on their calendars for future clean ups. Barry asked if there was a policy in place for how the clean ups were charged. Ray reported that in St. Johns, Springerville and Eagar, as long as the customers presented a water bill they were charged a reduced fee of \$5-\$10 per load. Ray reported that it costs Blue Hills Environmental between \$7,000-\$10,000. No vote needed.

Item #6

Ray reported that he had talked to the owner of the shop in Round Valley about signing a lease and that the owner was going to get back to him on details of the possibility of signing a new lease. Ray voiced some concern of moving out to the transfer site. This item was tabled until more information is presented.

Item #7

Ray reported that at the last Board Meeting an issue arose over the bylaws and the manager's authority. Ray asked if the Board was okay with Bill Simms, who is an attorney, to review the bylaws and suggest changes that need to be made to make Blue Hills Environmental bylaws more sound. Shawn stated that he thinks the bylaws are okay and Ray is acting under his authority but probably just need to do a once over and review with Bill Simms. No vote was taken.

Item #8

Delwin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Spence seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous.