**June 19, 2024 LSWDD Minutes**

**Present:** John, Rhea, Pam, Ross, June; Staff: Ric, Sarah, Sean, Justin; Public: Dan Post

**Call to Order at 10:45**

**Approval of May minutes: approved unanimously**

**Reports**District Manager’s Monthly Report

Summary:

LSWDD generated income in May 2024 of $51,704 and incurred expenses of $44,454, leaving a surplus of

$7,251 for the month. Year to date income was $245,247 and YTD expenses were $235,296 for a YTD 2024

surplus of $9,951.

Included in the packet are the following:

 May 2024 Monthly P&L

 May 2024 YTD P&L

 2023 / 2024 May comparison

o Useful to see increased costs, lower income in May 2024 versus May 2023

o Revenue down 11%, expenses up 11%

We ended May 2024 with $135,606 in cash and $260,000 in District Reserves, for a total of $395,606.

Actions

 Claims requiring board signature include:

o LSWDD Claim 24018

o LSWDD Claim 24019

o May Payroll Claim

o Claims will need your digital signatures (via Adobe Sign).

Site expansion plans:

 Still working with SJC to craft new ILA

 Meeting planned for July with SJC officials

Site expansion: nothing new, County has asked to delay monthly meeting. Pam: Had a positive meeting with interim manager and assistant manager. Jane Fuller has been very helpful. Perhaps funds are available from a solid waste fund. John: knows someone knowledgeable about solid waste grants. Sand shed may be available for TIOLI, may hear soon. Glass noise will be abated with the move to the new facility. County must fund that as a capital improvement. Job opening for the operations assistant will be posted soon.

**Facilities Operations, Monthly Bale & SWAC –** Justin, Shawn: Volume has been increasing traffic-wise. Justin will work the booth on Saturdays. Terry wants to work more on-site, starting in July, handling machines. Rhea: how does this affect description of operations assistant? Ric—working that out, it may affect the job responsibilities. No real changes in recycle prices. Pam: what about Skagit increase in tipping fees via Waste Management cost increase. Ric: explained the 5 year increase at Skagit. Fees going from 111/ton to 131/ton and maybe 137/ton. Tire price has gone up. Colby fixed a rear tire leak on truck due to 7 screws, Terry drove truck to Les Schwab. Used motor oil still not resolved. Sean moved three barrels of our seven barrels (15%) and got four new barrels. Katie is working on a county solution to the oil issue. We pay 40 cents per gallon (total cost $90- plus ferry and time). Orco holding facility is near Swinomish. We have room for more oil at the moment. New chain link fence installed by Justin, Colby and Gary near the county site to keep folks from coming up hill to the z-wall. Fence came from the county. Ross welcomed Sean via the management committee as the outstanding candidate as Facilities Manager.

**Solid Waste Alternatives Project (SWAP)**— see report. Pam spoke with Sandy, working on Trashion Fashion in September. Reports will be submitted quarterly. Rhea: having trouble finding someone to spearhead the levy campaign

**Training, Education, and Outreach**—Sarah: BBQ a great success, volunteer program going well with three new volunteers, plus several reactivations. Ric—what are the details on new volunteers: Thomas Orr, Kim Herenkold, (Mark maybe), Ron Metcalf; Website has been updated to make contacting Sarah easier; three folks visited for producing a documentaryl from Heron’s Nest in Seattle about waste streams in western WA, focused on water issues. **Sarah will meet with SWAP to coordinate levy campaign. Comm comm should meet with levy lead when someone is identified.** SWAP does strategy, TEOC does communication. Signs are at Weeks Garage. June: where will the information be stored for future facilitation of campaign? Sarah is working on it.

**Committees—**

**Communications, Strategic Planning,**  Pam: what’s happening with messaging. Ross: comm comm met with Sarah. BurmaShave signage is in the works to go on the access road leading up to the kiosk. Pam: we need communication via the levy increase.

**Compost & Recycle, Safety** – John, has spoken with Cali Martin who had composting program at Skagit, will meet with her in July to discuss home composting. Some organization in wester WA has a home composting program, plus someone on Orcas is doing home composting. Sarah: there’s a county-wide program in the works. **Sarah offered to help out**. John and Gene are going to Skagit Steel Wednesday to find the ultimate fate of our waste. John: talked with Ridwell in Seattle, who doesn’t come to the islands. June: safety committee to meet.

**Public Comment / Input –**  Dan:where do mixed paper and cardboard go? Why don’t we charge for glass dumping?

**Old Business: none**

**New Business: Pam: new meeting time conflicts with metal dogs. Proposed to move the meeting to 9 a.m.**

**Adjournment at 11:50. John moved, unanimous.**

**Next Regular Board Meeting: July 17, 2024, 9:00-10:15**