**May 15, 2024 LSWDD Minutes**

**Board: John, Cyndi, Gene, Pam, Rhea; staff: Ric, Justin, Sarah; Public-Dan Post**

**Call to Order at 1:00, Introductions,** & **Approval of April 17, 2024, Board Minutes by Cyndi** –Pam, unanimously approved

**Reports** District Management—Ric, see below. Note comparison with 2023-24, and unexpected one time repairs to equipment. Extension plan currently stalled due to budget miscalculation by the county. Rhea: please explain cost increases. Ric—mostly salary increases of two persons plus medical/dental increases.

**Financial Updates – Monthly and YTD summary**:

**Summary:**

LSWDD generated income in April 2024 of $71,374 and incurred expenses of $44,825, leaving a surplus of $26,549 for the month. Year to date income was $193,542 and YTD expenses were $190,843 for a YTD 2024 surplus of $2,700.

* •  April’s increase in revenue was due to the expected arrival of $35,203 of Levy tax revenue.
* •  Spike in Accounting & Professional fees was quarterly payment to SJC for accounting services

Included in the packet are the following:

* •  April 2024 Monthly P&L
* •  April 2024 YTD P&L
* •  2023 / 2024 YTD comparison

o Useful to see increased costs year over year thru the first third of 2024 o Revenue up 9%, expenses up 15%

We ended April 2024 with $128,355 in cash and $260,000 in District Reserves, for a total of $388,355.

District Manager’s Monthly Report

**Actions**

• **Claims** requiring board signature include:

o LSWDD Claim 24014
o LSWDD Claim 24015
o LSWDD Claim 24016
o LSWDD Claim 24017
o AprilPayrollClaim
o Claims will need your **digital signatures** (via Adobe Sign).

**Site expansion plans:**

* •  Still working with SJC to craft new ILA
* •  Expansion plans seem stalled because of newly discovered funding issues at SJC

**Facilities Operations, Monthly Bale & SWAC—**Justin: signage almost complete in recycle plaza, should clarify things incredibly (including Spanish language additions). Note drops in value of cardboard (one bag of garbage is equal in value to a ton of cardboard). Pam-is there an alternative venue for cardboard? Ric/Justin—probably not. Bulk appliances are steel, can be dropped for free, price has been cut in half. Aluminum and copper are good revenue producers, thanks to recycle dogs. Always looking for better ways to do things. Hazardous waste was successful with 70 cars passing through. We’re having problems with pickup of used oil and antifreeze. There’s a chance this will improve in August. John: we’re acquiring participants for field trip to Skagit Steel.

**Solid Waste Alternatives Project (SWAP)**—Larissa/Sandy—Pam—priority fund raising issue is replacement of roll-off truck, main issue is finding the right truck. Backhoe breaks down often. Rhea—how about Lautenbach as a source. Justin-FH is looking out for us.

 **Training, Education, and Outreach**—Sarah: new summer volunteer schedule is to be tried out after feedback. Three hour shifts are too long for some folks. Early start still a work in progress. BBQ coming up at Hooterville. Staff is required to contribute food items. We have two new volunteers who will be trained soon, plus one returnee. Pam-anything problematic happening at TIOLI? Justin—numbers consistent, down a little. We now have cameras operating. Rhea—did we see a spike during the Tour? Justin—nothing significant, but bad weather may have been an issue.

**Committees—**

**Communications, Strategic Planning,** Sarah would like to communicate better with communications committee; need a meeting together. John: Skagit Steel trip on Thursday June 20th

**=Compost & Recycle, Safety** – Justin working on better signage at z-wall; fence at z wall will be in place soon (Justin and Colby). Expansion will allow us to separate TIOLI crowd from possible dumpster fire.

**Public Comment / Input –** Dan Post invites anyone who would like to accompany on a garbage or recycling run. We don’t want a cable roll-off truck, want a heavy duty chain drive. Can we compact our containers more to get above an 8 ton load?

**Old Business**

**Budget & Revenue Analyses** : ric is modeling projections concerning sustainable revenue stream. Will include with Claims.

**New Business:** John: what’s happening at FH on plastic bags and film**?** Justin: there’s no money for it, so a ton of film is sitting around. Cyndi: six months ago, talked to person coordinating, no one is available to pick it up in the islands. Justin: a company called Ridwell operates out of Bham and Seattle and deals with several products (Styrofoam, etc). Pam—can communications committee publicize this?

**Adjournment 2:15**

 **Next Regular Board Meeting: June 19, 2024, 10:45-12:15**