

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024 9:00 a.m. Licking County Transit Building 745 E. Main Street, Newark

Tim Bubb, chair called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Attending: Rick Black, Tim Bubb, Ben Carpenter, Steve Davis, Gary Fischer, Jeff Fix, Duane

Flowers, and Dane Shryock.

Not attending: Rick Conkle, Dave Levacy, Scott Owen, and Dan Kinsel.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes from the February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 Board meeting as submitted was made by Duane Flowers and seconded by Jeff Fix. The motion carried without opposition.

# **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> – Kim advised the Board that the cash balance in the solid waste account at the end of May was \$4,903,381.61. She also stated that projected revenue is higher than anticipated due to interest. Motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented was made by Jeff Fix and seconded by Duane Flowers. Motion carried without opposition.

## LEGAL

Joe Durham, legal council provided the board with a legal update on SB 119. He stated that there has been very little change since his last update at the October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Board meeting, however they did have a hearing in May. Win Waste Innovations and the Ohio Association of Demolition Contractors have both chosen to stand in opposition of the bill. If this bill were to pass, it would allow any county of a joint solid waste district to leave if solid waste facilities in their county generate 75% or more of the revenue for the district. This bill would also prevent county health departments from receiving CD&D fees directly. Solid waste districts would receive the CD&D fees to then pay to the health departments. Joe will keep the board updated on any changes.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

## HEALTH DEPARTMENT FUNDING

At the February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Policy Committee meeting, Joe Ebel recommended that the board review current health department funding. As of right now, health department and law enforcement agencies have a maximum amount of \$8,000 which they can apply for per year. Kim presented the board with the recommendation of staying with the current health department and law enforcement funding as our solid waste district will start working on the new solid waste draft plan in a month. Kim also stated that health department and law enforcement are optional programs, whereas the recycling programs are required per OEPA. There was conversation about removing the \$8,000 cap and allowing programs to ask for what they need, and funds being reallocated and divided out accordingly. Kim will notify all health departments and sheriff's offices of the change, and strongly encourage them to attend the Board meeting on October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024 to inquire about their funding needs.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

## APPLICATION HANDBOOK

Kim met with all of the program managers and worked with them to make slight changes to the application handbook. Narratives for program administration, litter collection, and recycling were combined to avoid repetition. Finance reporting forms were also cleaned up removing line items that had not been used in many years. Examples of this were school bus rentals for field trips, educational reimbursement, and fax machine maintenance. Kim added that she will change health department and law enforcement applications removing the \$8,000 cap for funding. Motion to approve the changes to the application handbook was made by Jeff Fix and seconded by Rick Black. Motion carried without opposition.

## DRAFT BUDGET

Kim presented the board with the 2025 draft budget. Motion to approve the budget as presented was made by Dane Shryock and seconded by Rick Black. Motion carried without opposition.

## **ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Kim stated that she would like to have an advisory committee to assist with odds and ends in between board meetings. Jeff Fix made a motion to nominate Steve Davis (chair), Rick Black, Ben Carpenter, and Dane Shryock to serve on the committee. Rick Black seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Jennie Kolometz, Recycling Director for Fairfield County Community Action Agency stated her concern in relation to removing the \$8,000 funding cap for law enforcement and health departments. Jennie stated that she, as well as the other recycling program managers work hard to stick to their budget, even if it means removing things that they need. She asked that the board be reminded that recycling programs are required by the OEPA.

#### NEXT MEETING

The next meeting was originally scheduled to be held on October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. at the Licking County Transit Bldg, 745 E Main St., in Newark. Jeff Fix suggested the meeting be moved to October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024 due to a conflict with CCAO that day. Kate checked with Licking County Transit to see if they had availability on the 18<sup>th</sup>, and they do. So, the next meeting will be held at 9:00 a.m. on October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at the Licking County Transit Building.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jeff Fix. Rick Black seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition. The meeting adjourned at 10:11 am

Secretary, Kate Campbell

Date Approved