

**EMMET COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
May 13, 2009**

Members Present: D. Keiser, Chair; A. Smith, Vice-Chairperson; J. Jones, Secretary; W. Dohm; L. Atchison; L. Sumner; Arden Bawkey

Members Absent: None

Staff: E. Seltzer, Director; D. Mapes, Superintendent; A. Arthur, Administrative Secretary

Public: Bob Mogford; Alan Hoffman

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Keiser called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment

MINUTES

The minutes of the April 2009 meeting were reviewed. Sumner motioned to approve. Atchison seconded the motion. All present voted in favor.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The financials of April 2009 were reviewed. Smith motioned to approve. Dohm seconded the motion. All present voted in favor.

OPERATIONS UPDATE

Ordinance Enforcement Update: DPW staff is researching ANSI on containers.

Expansion Update: MDC has started the site work. Building plans have been finalized with RRS and AECOM. Plans should be ready to go out to bid late May with award of bid by late June. The Board of Appeals meeting for the variance request for fire suppression will be June 1st.

Stimulus Funding Update: Seltzer provided an update on the potential for stimulus funding and the grants applied for.

Hiring Update: Gary Hickman has returned from short term disability and will be covering the gatehouse for the summer.

Curbside Agreement Update: No renewals have been received yet. Seltzer was invited to present on Curbside Recycling to West Traverse Township.

OTHER BUSINESS

Budget Assessment: Seltzer presented an outline of budget changes to offset deficits including shutting off heat in the recycle processing area, reducing landscaping services, minimizing overtime, fuel conservation, and increasing the use of volunteers, work release prisoners, and community service workers. Future areas to be evaluated include the service of the leachate water, electronics fees, uniform and marketing expenses, and improving heating and cooling efficiencies in the employee area of the facility.

TV 7&4: Seltzer reported on the segment on TV 7&4 with Irish Boat Shop highlighting our shrink wrap collection program. Petoskey News Review is interested in the press release as well.

