Board Members present: Mary McGann (Chair), Kevin Fitzgerald,\*, Kalen Jones (Treasurer)\*\*, Pam Hackley,

✦ Arrived after meeting was called to order. \*\* Left before meeting was formally adjourned.

Board Members absent: Janet Buckingham

Others Present: Deborah Barton (District Manager), Annette Myers (Administrative Assistant), Robert Myers (Interim Facilities Supervisor), Janet Dean (Citizen), Sara Melnicoff (Moab Solutions)

**CALL TO ORDER:** By Chair Mary McGann at 3:35 as a quorum was present. Although there was no section for Citizen’s to be heard, the chair allowed the two individuals present to make statements.

# Citizen’s To Be Heard: Janet Dean just interested in hearing what is going on. Sara Melnicoff spoke briefly on her concerns with the recycling center. Opposed to single stream and encouraged the board to visit the Grand Junction model. Sara is not aware of anything beyond cardboard being baled. Stated community is unhappy with the direction of the center. She is willing to ship material. Sara stated CCR had no financial assistance and shared equipment. Believes crime against nature to throw away anything to recycle. Sara believes can load on site. Offered to clean up the back after 5 pm at night with volunteers. Is opposed to close the center for a month to clean up. Stated has not heard back from email sent to the board and staff (email is dated ) Mary summarized statements: 1 – are we willing to meet with the broker. 2 – willing to ship plastics (anything that cannot be handled at this time – she stated number 2 solids shipped) – be willing to load and ship, 3 – can she come in after 5 pm (stated she will assume liability and put everything in neat rows), 4 – what is happening with the recycling occurring now. Debby Barton and Bob Myers stated that materials other than cardboard have been processed. Asked about the plan. Sara asked if she can expect any answers and Mary confirmed the district will provide a response. Janet Dean expressed interest about the recycling occurring about newspaper and other items and where to take the material for recycling. Sara invited Janet to attend the meeting. She is hauling the material to Grand Junction herself. Annette expressed concern that the meeting is for the 2019 budget and she invited public to attend the September 13 board meeting at 4 pm. Debby stated she had spoken to Sara about her email but she had not responded in writing.

# Budget Workshop:

District Manager had provided 2019 budget summary to the board. She printed hard copy for board members. Deborah stated she had all the budget backup. Pam asked for the big picture overarching.

1. Kalen asked status of the budget. Debby stated the budget is the first draft, tentative budget. She confirmed that the actual budget does not need to go to the county, but the budget is needed to determine the TRT request. The rest of the discussion opened.
2. Questions on landfill fees. Part of the justification in the past for raising the fees was to look at regional costs to compare and be reasonable. Kalen stated that Darrin was being subsidized. Debby asked clarification on who was being subsidized – the landfill or the recycling center. Question about the TRT subsidy compared to Colorado. Debby explained that Colorado landfills are required to pay into a recycling fund that Utah does not. She looked at a 3% COLA for raising the tipping fees. She clarified that the Moab customers are not happy with the $12 fee. Mary suggested that we begin asking if citizens wish to have a line item on taxes for recycling and solid waste.
3. Debby stated that the landfills pretty much pay their way. Kalen corrected that as the adjustment lines shows the landfills are budgeted needing at least $100,000 from TRT and the recycling operations need over $300,000.
4. Questions on the push back Debby has received at the Moab Landfill when discussing with customers on raising fees. She was asked if the construction debris came from mostly contractors. The answer was it is about evenly split on number of loads, largest quantity from contractors but lots of private citizen’s doing small remodeling and construction and cleanups. Debby stated that private citizens are more prone to complain though a few contractors have been upset with the current rates.
5. Construction material is a large component of debris that could possibly be diverted. Debby was asked if this was something that was included as a potential waste diversion effort for the 2019 budget and if not what would be required to have such a program in place.

# CLOSING:

Next meeting will be a Regular Board Meeting:: September 13, 2018 at 4 pm at the District Offices, 1000 Sand Flats RD.

Adjournment: Kevin Fitzgerald moved/Pam Hackley seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried four to zero as Kalen Jones had left meeting at 4:55 pm before adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 5:03 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Barton, District Manager

Attachment: Task List for District Manager

Task List for Budget

1. Consideration for options on Construction Demolition Recycling, if not in 2019, then in out years.
2. What are the tipping fees in the region and comparison between District and the rest of the region?
3. Cost of Recycling versus Landfill Disposal, especially for Moab Landfill.
4. Provide a range of options with costs and revenues at the next board meeting.
5. Consideration of hiring a third party to complete the management plan. Debby stated she had included this for the 2019 budget year under professional fees for the Klondike Landfill expenses.