

**GLENN COUNTY**  
**WASTE MANAGEMENT REGIONAL AGENCY**  
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**MINUTES**

April 27, 2023

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Arnold called the meeting to order at 10:31 a.m.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. ROLL CALL**

**MEMBERS:**

Tom Arnold, County of Glenn, Chair      Mathew Romano, City of Orland, Vice-Chair  
Grant Carmon, County of Glenn  
Jeff Williams, City of Willows

**ABSENT:**

Jeffery Tolley, City of Orland

**COUNTY STAFF PRESENT:**

Don Rust, PW Director  
Talia Richardson, PW Deputy Director  
Jolene Swanson, PW Clerk

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Diana Ramirez, Waste Management Public Sector Manager  
Cahill Chavers, Waste Management District Manager  
Tony Prochaska, Waste Management Recycling Education Representative

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**4. MINUTES**

**MATTER 4.1: APPROVE MINUTES OF JANUARY 26, 2023**

Documents: Minutes of January 26, 2023

Proceedings: Chair Arnold introduced the item, calling for corrections or comments.  
Hearing none, Chair Arnold asked for a motion.

Motion/Second: Member Williams / Member Carmon

Order: Approve minutes of the January 26, 2023 meeting, as presented.

Vote: Unanimous

**5. UNSCHEDULED ITEMS**

None

**6. ACTION ITEMS**

**MATTER 6.1 APPROVE BYLAW AMENDMENTS AND RECOMMEND TO PRESENT TO THE BOS AND BOTH CITY COUNCILS FOR APPROVAL**

Documents: Draft Amended BYLAWS

Proceedings: Chair Arnold introduced the item. Talia Richardson reported that at the July 22, 2021 meeting the members of the agency amended the Bylaws. We later found these amendments had to go to the Board of Supervisors (BOS) for approval. Mrs. Richardson reviewed the amendments with the new members. There were no questions nor comments from the members. Chair Arnold asked for a motion.

Motion/Second: Member Carmon / Member Williams

Order: Approve staff to make formal recommendation to Board of Supervisors and both City Councils to approve amended Bylaws.

Vote: Unanimous

**MATTER 6.2 ANNUAL SOLID WASTE PARCEL FEE**

Documents: None

Proceedings: Chair Arnold introduced the item. Talia Richardson presented Staff recommendation that Agency recommends to Board of Supervisors to extend the current Solid Waste Parcel Fee of \$42.74. On April 2, 2019 the BOS dedicated this fee to the U.S. Department of Agriculture for loan repayment of the landfill closure. At this time, there is no reason to increase nor decrease the fee. Further explaining the service charge is imposed on improved real property within the County of Glenn for the use and/or ability to use the Glenn County Solid Waste System. Adding those that lost their homes/cabins/building during the August Complex fire and there is no longer a resident on the parcel, their fee

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has been removed from their tax bill. If it is still showing, they can reach out to the Assessors office and have it removed. Chair Arnold asked for a motion.

Motion/Second: Member Williams / Member Romano  
Order: Approve staff to make formal recommendation to Board of Supervisors to extend and adopt the current Annual Solid Waste Parcel Fee of \$42.74.  
Vote: Unanimous

**7. REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**MATTER 7.1 SOLID WASTE OPERATIONS UPDATE**

Documents: Glenn County Solid Waste (GCSW) Update - 4/27/2023

Proceedings: Chair Arnold introduced the item.

Mrs. Richardson went over the GCSW Update and touched on the following:

**Tonnage** - 2023 tonnage, through April 18, 2023, sent to Anderson Landfill is 7,842. Tonnage recycled is 352. We have noticed a decrease in recycling, the largest decrease is in scrap metal. Also decrease in construction and demolition; possibly due to weather.

Member Carmon inquired if the County receives any credit for recycled item.

Mrs. Richardson replied yes, for certain types of e-waste and for scrap metal if funds are left over after processing fee. In the last few years, we have received approximately \$12,000 to \$25,000 annually for scrap metal. The following are recycled at no cost to the county; mattresses, carpet, and paint. Cardboard, beverage containers, and paper get picked up by Waste Management and are recycled. Tires are picked up and recycled through Waste Tire Products which, we do pay for some of the larger tires to be recycled but, we also have a grant to help with that.

**Beverage Contain Recycling City/County Payment Program** - Fiscal Year 2021-22 had \$20,000 grant funding - We were able to utilize all funds. Spent by Glenn County Facilities on recycling containers for Memorial Park and water refilling stations for City of Willows and the Willows little league fields. We are speaking with Murdock Elementary to provide them with water refilling stations in the next cycle.

**Household Hazardous Waste Discretionary Grants** - \$100,000 grant - Last event held was at the Transfer Station on October 29, 2022. Still working with California Product Stewardship Council on the one-pound propane tanks as there is a severe supply chain issue for that program.

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**Local Government Waste Tire Amnesty Grant** – \$50,000 grant - We will begin holding events in June 2023. We have tried holding these events in the cities of Willows and Orland but, they are just not as successful as those held at the Transfer Station; possibly because the rural residents have more tires. Also looking into Agricultural Grants for the larger tractor tires as the cost for disposal is high.

**Used Oil Payment Program (OPP)** – \$10,000 grant – Majority of funds are used to recycle oil at the Transfer Station, replace the tank when needed, collect from our certified collectors, replace tanks for them when needed. One of our largest partners is Thunderhill Raceway.

**Community Clean Up Day** – Event was held in Hamilton City on April 22, 2023. Not as large as the last event there but, it was less than a year ago and the events had been shut down for two years due to COVID. Cahill Chavers, Waste Management District Manager ACD/Corning Disposal, spoke of the event success and new location was very ideal. Now that we can get back to annual events, they should run just as smoothly. Scheduling an event at the Transfer Station for the Fall.

Diana Ramirez, Waste Management Public Sector Manager, shared that Orland will have an event the first weekend of October at the fairgrounds. Currently working on a date for Willows, looking at July 22, 2023, and a date for the county.

**SB 1383 Local Assistance Grant Program** – \$60,589 grant – CalRecycle one-time grant program to assist with implementation process. Continuously working with Environmental Health. We are still currently on the rural waiver. As we move closer to the 2026 deadline, we will see some changes made internally

**GCWMRA 5-Year CWIMP** - Due October 31, 2023 – We have received approval from the Board of Supervisors to advertise for a consultant to assist us. Will be advertising shortly and will see that at our fall meeting.

**Illegal Dumping 2023** – We have disposed of 5.589 tons of illegal dumped waste. This is picked up by either the road department or solid waste staff with a cost of \$600 for disposal, not including staff time.

**MATTER 7.2**

Documents:

Proceedings:

**Community Clean Up Day/Illegal Dumping**

None

Chair Arnold introduced the item. Ms. Richardson reported the estimated cost of a county hosted event would be approximately \$8,000 without the help of Waste Management; this is based of the 2022 event held in Hamilton City.

Member Carmon inquired if the county had any credit on the books due to the lack of events during COVID.

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Mrs. Richardson responded the 2022 events were extended by two hours. Normally held from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., they were extended to 2:00 p.m.

Mrs. Ramirez added that during COVID, WM put out a notice of force majeure that they couldn't hold public events. There are not necessarily credits to go back on to host other events but, as Talia mentioned, WM increased the length of the events and that was satisfactory to the agency.

**8. NEXT MEETING**

Date: July 27, 2023 10:30 a.m.  
Location: Willows Memorial Hall, Board of Supervisors Chambers  
525 W Sycamore Street, Willows, CA.

**9. ADJOURN**

Meeting adjourned at 11:08 a.m.