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AGENDA TUOLUMNE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Solid Waste Committee Tuesday, March 10, 2020 1:30 p.m.

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1. PUBLIC FORUM

The public may speak on any item not on the printed agenda. No action may be taken by the Committee. The amount of time allocated for the public forum is limited to 15 minutes.

2. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

- a) Consideration of the Minutes of the meeting on February 11, 2020
- b) Staff Reports

3. ITEMS / PRESENTATIONS

- I. Tuolumne County Household Hazardous Waste Presentation
- II. Moore Brothers Scavenger Co. Update
- III. City/County Payment Program (CCPP) Presentation
- IV. Solid Waste Financial Overview

4. ADJOURNMENT

LOCATION:
Tuolumne County Board Chambers
2 South Green Street 4th Floor
Sonora, CA 95370

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PRESENT: Vice-Chair Ryan Campbell and Jim Garaventa, Sonora City Council

ABSENT: Chair John Gray

STAFF: Gretchen Olsen, Solid Waste Manager; Diane Green, Solid Waste Technician; Nathan Birtwhistle, Solid Waste Specialist; Sandra Pedroza, Office Assistant; Emma Hawks, Administrative Assistant

GUESTS: Joe Cadelago, Waste Management

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS

Vice-Chair Ryan Campbell called the meeting of February 11, 2020 to order at 1:39 p.m.

PUBLIC FORUM

Vice-Chair Campbell asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the committee during this portion of the meeting to speak on any issue not on the agenda.

Seeing no one wishing to speak, Vice-Chair Campbell closed the public forum.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

A. Consideration of the Minutes of the meeting of October 22, 2019

It was moved by Jim Garaventa and seconded by Vice-Chair Campbell to approve minutes of the October 22, 2019 as presented.

Vice-Chair Campbell called for the vote: Ayes 2; Noes: 0; Abstain: 0.

Motion carried 2 – 0 – 0

B. Reports from Staff

Gretchen Olsen enlightened the committee on a new partnership with The Greater Valley Conservation Corps (GVCC). The Solid Waste Division and GVCC will be working together on additional collections throughout the year. These collection events will be quarterly and focus on mattresses and tires. We will have details posted on our website and social media.

Discussion ensued.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Cal Sierra Disposal Recycling Program – Implementing “Recycle Right” in Tuolumne County

Joe Cadelago introduced himself and began his presentation on the proposed Recycling Campaign and timeline. Mr. Cadelago started with an explanation of what the accepted recyclable items are and the issues we face with incorrect curbside recycling. He also explained how the processing facility audits the recycled materials and Tuolumne County's results. The goal of the Recycle Right campaign is to reduce the contamination in the recycling containers to 10% or below.

Discussion ensued.

Mr. Cadelago continued his presentation by reiterating the benefits of a uniform “Recycle Right” program for city and county residents. This would eliminate a great deal of confusion and make community outreach more successful. He then educated the committee on the proposed cart tags and the process by which people will be notified of their good and bad recycling efforts.

Jim Garaventa asked about the cart tagging process and how often it occurs.

Mr. Cadelago explained a 3-month pilot program that took place in Lodi and was very successful. He explained that after the second cart tag they saw a behavior change and never had to apply a penalty charge on anyone. We plan to take these experiences and try them in Tuolumne County.

Discussion ensued regarding if this had ever been tested in our area and if it would affect commercial and/or residential customers.

Vice-Chair Campbell asked about a timeline for Tuolumne County.

Mr. Cadelago then described the proposed recycle right campaign timeline and plan. Phase 1 will initiate in February and March with determining baseline contamination levels, partner hiring, and ordering of outreach materials. Phase 2 will occur during April, May, and June with an outreach and cart inspection campaign. Phase 3 happening in July will focus on reporting of campaign results and Phase 4 will be evaluating a charge process for repeat offenders.

Discussion ensued.

Vice-Chair Campbell asked if there were any public comment, seeing none he read item number two.

2. Electronic Annual Review Overview

Ms. Olsen began by providing an explanation of the state required Electronic Annual Report (EAR) and then turned the floor over to Nathan Birtwhistle. Nathan introduced himself and began his overview with what Cal Recycle expects from Tuolumne County. Tuolumne County's diversion target is each person generating 4.1 lbs. or less of waste per day,

currently we are generating 4.5 lbs. Nathan explained that this looks like a violation, but we have so many different diversion programs that Cal Recycle has yet to penalize us. They appreciate our efforts.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion continued with the impact of tourism.

Mr. Birtwhistle continued with information on our four permitted solid waste haulers and educated the committee on how many people are self-hauling their garbage. After looking at the number of customers, households, fictitious business names registered in the county about 2/3 of Tuolumne County is self-hauling-commercial and residential waste.

Discussion ensued.

Mr. Birtwhistle then went over the hauler districts. He also explained that all municipal garbage from all activities, including transfer stations, is required to be transferred and documented through Cal Sierra Transfer Station. All waste is then shipped out of county. Cal Sierra ships transfer trailers to either Highway 59 Landfill in Merced County or Forward Landfill in San Joaquin County.

Discussion ensued.

Mr. Birtwhistle then educated the committee on our many diversion programs that are already operating within Tuolumne County and explained the state's mandatory commercial recycling. Ms. Olsen also enlightened the committee on mandatory organics recycling (SB1383) and how it will affect us in the future.

Discussion ensued regarding food waste and how Tuolumne County will make organics recycling work.

Vice-Chair Campbell asked if there was any public comment, seeing none he read item number three.

3. Solid Waste Financial Overview

Ms. Olsen asked if we could please move this item to the March 10, 2020 meeting when Chair-Gray will be present. This item was developed at his request.

The committee agree to table this item until the March 10, 2020 meeting.

Vice-Chair Campbell asked if there were any public comment or questions.

ADJOURNMENT

Seeing none Vice-Chair Campbell adjourned the meeting at 2:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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