

Lewis County Solid Waste Advisory Committee – Agenda

Wednesday, November 18, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

Location: Lewis County Public Services, Large Conference room, 2025 N.E. Kresky Ave., Chehalis

MASKS ARE REQUIRED!

1. Call to Order
2. Determination of Quorum
3. Approval of October 14, 2020 Minutes
4. Old Business
 - 2021 Solid Waste Disposal District and Utility Budgets
5. New Business
 - New SWAC Agenda Format – *presentation*
 - Decision Record – *presentation*
 - SWAC By-Laws – *discussion & decision*
 - Used-oil Satellite Collection Tanks – *update, discussion, recommendation*
6. Reports/Updates
 - SWAC
Terry Harris, Chair

 - LeMay/Waste Connections
Tom Rupert, District Manager

 - Department of Ecology
Peter Lyon

 - Bill Teitzel, Code Enforcement

 - County Staff
Lewis County Solid Waste Utility
7. Announcements
 - New Members – Jason Adams, *WSU Extension (Agricultural)*
 - Open invites will start going out to members of Disposal District (Cities) to join SWAC or to participate in SWAC meetings.
8. Adjournment

LEWIS COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday November 18, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

In the effort to keep the public and the county employees safe during the COVID-19 outbreak, Lewis County will be providing a virtual option to attend.

Please see below.

ONLINE Attend the meeting via Zoom meeting at <https://bit.ly/3eYyj6M>.

The passcode is 321954.

BY PHONE To attend by phone, call 888-475-4499. The meeting ID is 437 182 9192 and the passcode is 321954.

**LEWIS COUNTY
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL DISTRICT #1
Lewis County Commissioners Office
September 28, 2020**

The meeting was called to order by Disposal District Chair Gary Stamper at 1:30 p.m., Monday, September 28, 2020. Those in attendance were:

Edna J. Fund	County Commissioner
Robert C. Jackson	County Commissioner
Gary Stamper	County Commissioner
Josh Metcalf	Director, Lewis County Public Works
Greg Gachowsky	Manager, Lewis County Solid Waste (LCSW)
Donna Zuber	Administrative Assistant Sr., LCSW-TEMPORARY
Karen Hirte	Office Assistant, LCSW
Tom Rupert	Lewis County Curbside Manager, Waste Connections, Inc.
Terry Harris	Chair, Lewis County Solid Waste Advisory Committee

- Minutes from Regular Meeting of August 24, 2020
Motion by Robert C. Jackson and seconded by Edna J. Fund to approve minutes of the August 24, 2020 regular meeting. Motion carried.
- Public Comment – None
- Public Hearing – None
- Board Measures and Proposals – None
- Transfer Station Operations
 - ◇ Community Litter Program Report – Two new illegal dump sites were found along Loop Road in north Centralia. A free tire collection event to be financed by the Dept. of Ecology (ECY) was awarded to Lewis County and will take place the weekend of November 5-7 at the Southwest Washington Fairgrounds.
 - ◇ Transfer Station Tonnages – August tonnage was 7,083 for the Central Transfer Station and 946 for the East Lewis County Transfer Station, totaling 8,029, slightly less than July’s tonnage, but still high outside of any past storm event.
 - ◇ Host Fee Report – The regular monthly host fee of \$18,750 was paid to the City of Centralia. In July, the city took advantage of its free disposal option allowed by the host fee agreement and disposed of demolition debris from a nuisance property on St. Helens Street. The remaining debris at this site is contaminated with asbestos and isn’t a free disposal option, according to the host fee agreement. Greg Gachowsky will work with city officials on free disposal options still available to the city.
- Financial Reports
 - ◇ Disposal District and Utility Income Statements – The District’s statement showed a net operating profit of \$114,749 and the ending balance of District Fund 415 was \$3,440,751 for August 2020. Increased revenue was due to higher tonnage, which also resulted in increased expenditures. Budget amendments for increased expenditures, such as taxes and credit card fees, will be done at the end of the year. The Solid Waste Utility saw the highest expenditures in the areas of salaries and fringe benefits, professional services and the recycling program.
- Miscellaneous Reports
 - ◇ None
- Approval of Transfers from Solid Waste Disposal District #1 to Lewis County Claims Clearing Fund
Motion by Robert C. Jackson and seconded by Edna J. Fund to approve payments and transfers in the amount of \$681,760.00. Motion carried.
- Staff Discussion
 - ◇ Vendor Rates – Rates for the following professional services paid by the Utility are increasing: 1) transportation and disposal 2) hauling of recycling, yard waste and roll-off bins 3) tire recycling and disposal 4) yard waste processing and composting. A lot are increases driven by the Consumer Price Index (CPI), and impact the bottom

line. For example, the 2021 rate for the largest expense of transportation and disposal will likely see a CPI increase of 2.5%. This is a slight increase overall, but the volume is large. The rate for tire recycling and disposal of tires could potentially increase from \$120 per ton to \$130 per ton. The yard waste processing and composting 2021 rate will go up from \$45 per ton to \$62.50 per ton, while the yard waste fee at county transfer stations is \$60 per ton. Finally, curbside rates for unincorporated areas of the county have increased and may impact customer volumes at the two transfer stations.

Greg believed the increase to vendor rates is an important issue. He would like to meet in the future, possibly in November, with the District commissioners and focus on the Disposal District 2021 budget.

- ◇ Recycling Updates – Record amounts of cardboard continue getting recycled. More than 36 tons of cardboard was recycled in August. A grinding contractor chipped 365.39 tons of wood debris at the Central Transfer Station in July and will return in October. Most of the chips were transported to the City of Centralia’s bio-solids composting program and some chips were available to the public.

Tonnage for LeMay Enterprises’ curbside yard waste program is only 2.21 tons less than the 2019 yearly total. Prices for commingled recycling have improved because of increased cardboard and paper prices, but the transfer stations have not had any boxes clean enough to recycle. Recycling Reset has a tentative start date of December 1. This is a program that will give recycling a fresh start through source separating to keep it clean.

The scrap metal recycling arrangement with Metro Metals, Portland, will soon be expanded to include scrap metal collected at the ELCTS, along with metal from the CTS. This maneuver should be a considerable cost savings to the Utility.

- ◇ Hazo Hut Update – August statistics for the Hazo Hut were:
 - 241 residential visits and 730 year-to-date
 - 3,600 different items dropped off and 11,000 year-to-date
 - Since reopening after the Covid-19 closure, 5% of customers came from south Thurston County. The two south Thurston County facilities do not have hazardous waste disposal.

- Announcements

- ◇ Utility staff is scheduled to begin developing ways to improve the free residential disposal voucher program, which was cancelled this year because of Covid-19 concerns. The plan is to present free disposal ideas to the Solid Waste Advisory Committee and the Disposal District in winter 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Zuber
Administrative Asst., Sr. – Temporary

**COMMUNITY LITTER CLEANUP PROGRAM
2020**

Lewis County Litter Crew	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	YTD TOTALS
Supervisor Hours Litter	132.50	147.00	120.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			399.50
Supervisor Hours Illegal dumping	43.50	13.00	56.00	45.50	40.00	42.00	37.00	43.50	39.50	38.50			398.50
Road Miles	22.00	49.00	37.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			108.50
Crew Hours (supervisor)	114.00	64.00	66.00	45.50	40.00	42.00	37.00	43.50	39.50	38.50			530.00
Road side disposal weight	1,170.00	2,380.00	2,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			5,750.00
Disposal Fees	\$89.16	\$246.10	\$328.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$663.56
Illegal Dumpsites													
Dumpsites Cleaned	13.00	7.00	18.00	25.00	17.00	20.00	20.00	16.00	19.00	14.00			169.00
Pounds	3,770.00	1,220.00	3,920.00	4,760.00	4,200.00	4,300.00	3,640.00	4,140.00	8,740.00	3,920.00			42,610.00
Fees	\$175.76	\$56.88	\$182.75	\$503.58	\$195.80	\$188.26	\$169.70	\$291.43	\$3,360.00	\$186.91	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,311.07
Other item fees (tires, TVs, appliances)					\$76.00	\$276.00	\$144.00	\$88.00	\$199.00	\$283.00			\$1,066.00

DUMP SITES CLEANED UP THIS MONTH

<u>Road</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Fee for Other</u>	<u>Number of Sites</u>
Drews Prairie	260.00			1
		3 Semi-Truck		
Henriot	460.00	Tires w/rims	\$60.00	1
Hart	320.00			1
Park	160.00	2 tires w/rims	\$10.00	1
Centralia Alpha				
MP 7.5	400.00	10 tires	\$30.00	1
Wildwood	260.00			1
		20 tires, air conditioning unit		
Salzer Valley	820.00		\$83.00	2
Camus	240.00			1
South Military	400.00	17 tires	\$51.00	1
Johnson*	260.00	2 refrigerators	\$46.00	2
Kakela*	200.00	1 tire	\$3.00	1
Big Hanaord	140.00			1
	3,920.00		\$283.00	14.00

*Indicates a new clean-up location.

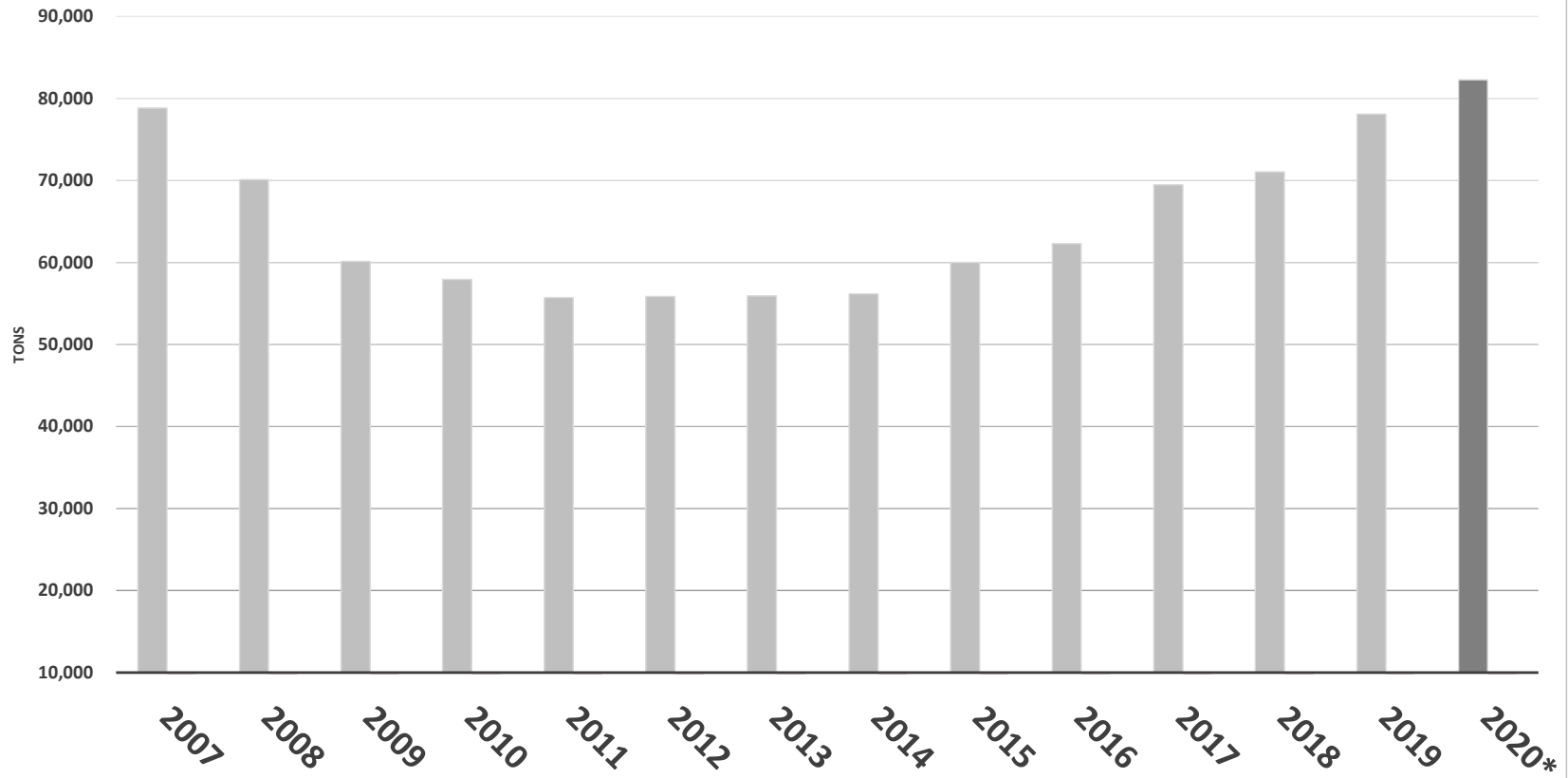
The clean-ups on Salzer Valley and Johnson were in different locations on those roads.

LEWIS COUNTY SOLID WASTE UTILITY 2020 - TONNAGES

Month	Central Transfer Station	East Lewis County Transfer Station	Total
January	5,610	588	6,198
February	5,112	691	5,803
March	5,719	707	6,426
April	5,840	812	6,652
May	5,832	769	6,601
June	6,486	839	7,325
July	7,487	815	8,302
August	7,083	946	8,029
September	6,944	853	7,797
October	6,702	839	7,542
November	-	-	-
December	-	-	-
Total Tonnage	62,816	7,859	70,674

Estimated Tonnage for 2020: **82,275**
 Actual Tonnage/Estimated Tonnage: **86%**

Annual Tonnage - Lewis County Solid Waste Utility



*2020 is an estimated tonnage