

Minutes HEW 8-27-2012 (Solid Waste)

In attendance:

Natalie Wolf, Chair

Ed Hattenbach

Tom Muething

J.K. Byar,

Bill Doering

Scot Lahrmer, Manager

Steve Rasfeld, Public Works

T.J. White, Center for Local Government (CLG)

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Natalie Wolf and the minutes from the previous meeting of July 13, 2012 were approved.

The subject of the meeting was Waste Collection Options. T.J. White, Interim Director of the Center for Local Government was invited to speak on waste collection consolidation.

Amberley's contract for solid waste and recycling collection with Rumpke ends on 12-31-2012. Village Manager, Scot Lahrmer presented three possible options for a new contract:

1. Renew with Rumpke for 2013 at a rate of \$13.86/month/household.
2. Bid on our own for a new contract
3. Bid as a consortium with six other communities who have similarly situated contract renewal periods through the CLG.

Amberley's current contract with Rumpke is \$13.44/month/household

T.J. White explained how the consortium works. Items that can be aggregated include curbside solid waste pickup, curbside recycling, and dumpster pricing. The six jurisdiction consortium would have 13,000 households, including 1352 Amberley households. The CLG is applying for grants through the Local Gov't Innovation Fund which will help defray the cost of legal fees for the bidding and new contract. Legal fees will not exceed \$36,000 and will be divided between each participating community. Estimated costs to each community will not exceed \$4,600 if no grants are received. If grant funding approved, each community will contribute \$2000 for legal costs. There is no guarantee of a good bid price, however, historically; the CLG has had success bidding lower contracts. The bid would require a 64 gallon rolling recycling bin for each household be included for free.

Each community will have one individual exhibit called "Exhibit E" that will contain items that are unique to each community and cannot be aggregated.

So far, the CLG has grant funding from The Seanson Foundation (\$5,000) and the Solid Waste District (\$3,000).

The contract, if approved is for 3 years with 2 optional years.

Village administration recommends solid waste aggregation, but the committee desired to return and evaluate its options for Rear Door Pickup and current pricing.