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AGENDA GRUNDY COUNTY BOARD – ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE AUGUST 20, 2012

I. Meeting called to order

Meeting was called to order at 9:32 A.M.

II. Roll call

In attendance: Dick Joyce, Chris Balkema, Dick Steele, Tom Poole, David Welter

and Chairman Ron Severson Members Absent: None

Staff in attendance: Heidi Miller, Lisa Kneller, Karen Campbell, and Susan Bates Public: Jim Allen, Environtech, Inc., Terry Christensen – WCSJ/WJDK Radio

Station (arrived at 9:35 a.m.)

III. Approval of Minutes

Chairman Joyce asked the committee for a motion to approve the July 16th, 2012 meeting minutes. Poole motioned, Steele seconded. Motion passed.

IV. Public Comment - None

V. Claims

Chairman Joyce asked the committee to review the claims and to motion them. Steele motioned, Balkema seconded. Motion passed.

VI. Additions to agenda

Chairman Joyce asked if there were any additions to the agenda. Kneller stated that there were no additions to the agenda.

VII. Technician's Report

Education:

Kneller summarized her technician report by briefing the committee on the education programs and the new Trashformations schedule.

Events:

Kneller said with the recently held E-Waste Collection Events in Gardner, 4,609 lbs. were collected, and in the Diamond E-Waste Event 12,879 lbs. were collected. Year to date

105,351 lbs. have been collected with \$2,095.32 revenue to the County from these events. An upcoming event will be held at Minooka Village Hall in September, Environtech Landfill in October and a pending event in Seneca in the month of November.

Welter asked if Kneller had followed up with holding an event in Mazon, and Kneller said she would report back next month.

Kneller said a new event that she is exploring the feasibility of conducting is a Gently Used Book Drive where residents can bring a book and take a book. United Way of Grundy County has donated books for children to ERCO that had been left over from a recently held drive that they conducted. These books will be used for the Gently Used Toy/Book/Video Event or for the ERCO Gently Used Book Drive.

Kneller reported on an ongoing enforcement issue at 6095 E. North Prairie between two neighbors over burning issues and extensive use of a lawnmower and leaf blower. Kneller spoke to the complaining neighbor about signing a complaint with the Sheriff's Department but they do not want to sign a complaint.

VIII. New Business

Kneller discussed the summary of the Year at a Glance that had been distributed in the packet. The annual Blood Drive with Heartland Blood Center was eliminated from this list since the Grundy County Health Department was going to have a monthly blood drive. Miller suggested contacting the Heath Administrator to find out if they were going to continue the monthly blood drives.

IX. Old Business

Kneller reported on a meeting that was held on August 1st, 2012, with Chairman Joyce, Miller and Kneller to discuss possible industrial and business funding sources that could help in financially supporting the ERCO department. Chairman Joyce and Kneller will distribute an information packet to the industry/business contacts with a customized letter, an overview of the function of the office and coupled with the face to face contact. Welter asked if donations are received will they have some sort of sponsorship logo placed on the item that is purchased with the money and also suggested having a list prepared indicating the cost to let them choose what event they would like to sponsor. Severson said that since the County is paying for the North Central Illinois Council of Government that grant funding through them should be looked into. Miller said follow up with them seems to be an issue and asked for a new contact person.

Miller asked Balkema about the Caterpillar grant and Balkema will give the contact information to Kneller.

X. Executive Session

Chairman Joyce asked if there was any reason to have an executive session. There was not.

XI. Adjournment

Joyce asked for a motion to adjourn. Balkema motioned, Steele seconded. Motion passed.