

Parks and Property Committee
Town of Holland, Sheboygan County Wisconsin
Wednesday, June 28, 2023, 4:00 p.m.

The Parks and Property meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m. by Chairman Doug Hamilton.

Attending: Doug Hamilton, Chairman; Kelly Caswell, committee member; Nate Voskuil, Dept of Public Works

The meeting notice was posted on June 20, 2023 in three locations and on the town's website.

Review/Discussion on Recycling Center Contract Proposals:

The town has received three proposals for solid waste disposal and recycling to commence on January 1, 2024 at the termination of the current contract with Waste Management. Nate had prepared a spreadsheet comparing proposed pricing from the three potential contractors using actual tonnage billed the four months of January through April of 2023.

GFL and Harter's calculated charges were within 3% of each other; Waste Management's was over 20% higher than GFL and Harter's. Due to Waste Management's significantly higher rate and previous service issues, discussion centered on GFL and Harter's.

Contract observations:

Payment is due within 10 days for both GFL and Harter's; we will be requesting 35 days because invoices must be approved by the Town Board at its monthly meeting, potentially more than 10 days past the invoice date.

GFL contract allowed several options for them to add fees and raise rates beyond contracted amounts. There is a provision that the Contractor "may change the preprinted terms and conditions of this agreement in the future." Penalty for early termination of GFL contract was 100% of the average of 12 previous invoices times the number of months remaining in the contract.

Harter's increases were limited to actual increases in landfill rates or increased costs in transportation to alternate landfill sites; annual CPI rate adjustment; Fuel surcharges in excess of \$4.00/ gallon which Nate will try to waive. Penalty for early termination of their contract was 50% of the average of 12 previous invoices times the number of months remaining in the contract.

Consensus was towards a three year contract with Harter's pending waiving the fuel surcharge and increasing payment due date to 35 days. GFL and Harter's disposal rates per draft contracts were close enough so as not to be a factor. Nate has worked with the General Manager who had previously been at Waste Management and prefers dealing with a local contractor with whom he has direct contact.

Review/Discussion on Recycling Center Hours:

There was a brief discussion on having the R/C open half-days on Saturday morning and a weekday evening, likely Wednesdays.

To avoid confusion among the public, this would likely be a year-round schedule rather than a "summer hours" schedule. This would require upgrading lighting at the R/C for wintertime hours.

Nate will check with Harter's on the impact this schedule might have on rates and fees.

Misc. Business as related to the Recycling Center:

Nate took two truckloads of electronics to redemption recycling earlier this week. The invoice for 26 CRT Monitors, 1 projections TV, 1 plasma TV, 1 wood console TV and 2 wood stereo speakers was \$300.

Adjourn:

Motion by Kelly, 2nd by Hamilton to adjourn; passed by voice vote, adjourned at 5:15 p.m.