

**.CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WORKSHOP MINUTES
WASTEPRO
DECEMBER 8, 2014**

PRESENT AND ACTING:

**THOMAS G. FLOWERS, CHAIRMAN
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**ZACHARY WHITFIELD, DEPUTY
MATT FUQUA, COUNTY ATTORNEY
CARLA HAND, CLERK OF COURT AND COUNTY COMPTROLLER
BECKY BROWN, DEPUTY CLERK**

The workshop was called to order by Chairman Flowers at 5:00 p.m., CT.

Norm Girardin, General Manager of WastePro

Mr. Girardin discussed the WastePro contract with Calhoun County which was assumed when WastePro purchased Emerald Waste Services (EWS). The contract terms allow for a 5 year renewal and WastePro is looking at the terms, conditions and renewal rates. Mr. Girardin encouraged the Board to perform customer billing for garbage service by including the garbage service bill on ad valorem tax bills with a \$1 per month increase; the County would remit payment to WastePro. Mr. Girardin advised if they continue billing the increase would be \$3.50/month. Mr. Girardin stated the number of active customers is not adequate to support the current services by WastePro.

Commissioner Flowers inquired about the number of active customers. Mr. Girardin stated there are approximately 2,400 paying customers. Commissioner McDougald stated according to terms of the contract WastePro is to provide a list of non-participants and their 911 addresses to the County and the commissioners can follow up on citizen compliance. Mr. Chester stated it is hard to determine the correct 911 addresses. Attorney Fuqua stated 911 addresses can't be given out legally by the County under Florida Statute.

Attorney Fuqua stated the other option is to go out for bid again rather than agreeing to the price increase. Mr. Girardin stated their contract price will be higher if bid out but they will work with the County and give them time to rebid.

Chairman Flowers opened the discussion of the cost to have WastePro go down a private road to pick up several garbage bins with a smaller truck. Mr. Girardin advised the problem with going down private roads is the additional costs to WastePro. In addition, a smaller truck would have to be purchased to fulfill those duties.

Chairman Flowers advised Mr. Girardin to contact the County Attorney to discuss a short term extension until a decision is made.

The Workshop was adjourned.



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ATTEST:


CARLA A. HAND, CLERK