

LYON TOWNSHIP SPECIAL MEETING
MAY, 12, 2020

Nellist called the meeting to order at 9:18.

Members Present: Ed Nellist, Craig Williams, Doug Schnell, Eric Carlson, Lenette Tomak

Guests: Gary Hicks, Rick Fancon, and Cheryl Holladay

The Pledge was recited.

Motion by Nellist, supported by Williams to approve the agenda.

Nellist began the meeting by opening the trash bids. He then proceeded to read the cover letters from American Waste and Republic Services.

After reading the cover letters, Nellist gave each company representative an opportunity to highlight the services of their companies.

Gary Hicks stated Republic has served Lyon Township for 13 years. He then went on to say the plan is to add another truck in the winter. He talked about a meeting with the Roscommon County Road Commission to coincide with them as far as service in the winter. He said that there would be no change in their bid for recycling.

Carlson wanted to know if they had plans for cans in difficult spots. Williams suggested that small trucks might be an option. Carlson also wanted to know about bulk item pickup, and Hicks stated that they are starting to pick up bulk items again.

Schnell pointed out that people outside the lake were using the large dumpsters. Hicks responded by stating that putting a roll off in a proper place would work better.

It was mentioned that the big green containers were a concern and now all of the blue cans lined up are a problem. It was suggested curbside would eliminate some of the problems. Hicks stated that trucks would have to back out of some of the roads and felt this was dangerous. Williams wanted to know if there was some way for customers to contact Republic as the township is handling an abundance of calls. He suggested a direct line to Republic from customers.

Tomak thanked Hicks for hiring Brian (Republic Rep) and stated that things have been better since Brian has been with Republic.

Schnell mentioned that there was talk of annexing those in Beaver Creek and wondered how that would be handled. Hicks stated that they would just be added to the customer count.

Fancon, from American Waste, gave a synopsis of the features of his company. He stated that American Waste consider themselves rural specialists and that they have the capabilities to haul trash in bad weather. He stated that their call center is in Harrison, and if a customer calls with a problem it is taken care of within 24 hours. As far as bulk items, he said large items will be picked up on scheduled dates. He stated that as far as Camp Curnelia, they would do

curbside pickup, and there would be locks on any dumpsters. He said that whatever the problem there would be a solution.

Carlson wanted to know about the Monday and Tuesday pick up. Fancon stated that Monday would be the lake and Tuesday would be outskirts. Pick up would begin at 7 a.m.

Schnell wanted to know how American would deal with construction materials. Fancon stated that construction materials are prohibited.

Tomak wanted to know how both companies would handle glass. Both said that glass should be broken down and placed in a box.

Carlson asked if there would be time to look over bids.

Nellist asked Fancon why he thought American would do a better job. Fancon stated that American takes care of customers, and they have the knowledge and experience to work in rural areas. He added that all of their drivers have been with the company eight years or more.

Nellist then read the bids.

Republic:

1st year- 9.56

2nd year-9.85

3rd year-10.14

4th year-10:45

5th year-10.76

American:

1st year-11.90

2nd year-12.26

3rd year-12.63

4th year-13.00

5th year-13.39

It was decided that the Board needed time to look over the bids and that a vote on a trash company would take place Wednesday, May 13, 2020.

Motion by Williams, supported by Carlson, to adjourn.

All yeas. Motion passed

Meeting adjourned at 11: 20.

Minutes prepared by the Deputy Supervisor and are subject to approval, upon which will be posted to www.lyontownship.org.

