

Gratiot Area Solid Waste Authority/Solid Waste Task Force Committee
Joint Meeting
February 21, 2022

A special joint meeting of the Gratiot Area Solid Waste Authority/Solid Waste Task Force was called to order at 2:30 p.m. in the Alma Municipal Building. A quorum of the Authority was present.

Roll Call

Gratiot Area Solid Waste Authority/Solid Waste Task Force members present: Aeric Ripley and Kurt Giles.

Additional Solid Waste Task Force members present: Nick Piccolo and Tom Reed.

Others present: Scott Truman-Granger Waste Services, Matt Biolette-Republic Services, and Scott Bowden-GFL Environmental.

The purpose of the meeting was consideration of bids submitted on February 16, 2022, in response to the 2022-2027 Advertisement for Bids.

Kurt Giles opened the meeting at 2:33 p.m. with a review of customer survey results. 180 customers had responded at the time of the meeting. 87% of those responses affirmed recycling participation. 73% felt a once-a-month collection would be often enough. Giles noted he was still receiving survey results.

Giles then reviewed the bid results from the February 16th bid opening. Bids were received from GFL, Granger, and Allied Waste d/b/a Republic Services. Giles noted the lowest proposal that included recycling came from Granger.

Giles opened the floor for questions and discussion. Reed asked how large item collection would be accomplished. Republic-collection would continue as is currently being practiced. Granger-customers would be required to schedule a collection directly with Granger. GFL-collection would be accomplished on regular collection day with rear load trucks and two-man teams.

Discussion followed with Granger regarding the requirement to schedule collection and customer education.

Giles explained there was no cost difference for bi-weekly versus monthly recycling collection with Granger.

Motion by Piccolo, seconded by Reed, to recommend to the Alma City Commission and St. Louis City Council award of the 2022-2027 Solid Waste and Recycling Collection Contract to Granger Waste Services with bi-weekly recycling collection. Motion carried with all ayes.

Giles thanked all bidders for their proposals and thanked Republic for their services throughout the 2017-2022 contract term.

The meeting concluded at 3:48 p.m.

Sara Anderson, Recording Secretary

Date of Approval