2-13-19 ZWAC Meeting

Item 3A: OLD BUSINESS Discussion and Action? Approval of October 10, 2018 meeting minutes

Gerry Acuna: Next item of business is the approval of the October 10th minutes, and there too I'll entertain a motion.

Adam Gregory: Gerry, I signed up to talk on this item.

Gerry Acuna: Ok, I'm sorry. Yes you did.

Adam Gregory: Good evening folks. Adam Gregory with Texas Disposal Systems. I just wanted to talk about the minutes in general and my colleague Ryan is going to hand you out some transcripts from the October meeting. And it's my concern as I read through the minutes that I know we felt like they weren't representative of the conversation that took place and when I'm reading them I see that it says, it indicates the names of the people that spoke or chose to speak but it doesn't indicate what any of the speakers said or whether they were for or against it, and I feel that in some cases we might not be creating, still, an accurate record and as this is a long term ball game these minutes can come, can mean a lot in the future. So I was going to suggest that if you'd like you could attach the transcript simply to the approval of the minutes, if not, or if staff needs to review that, or if you guys want to review that transcript and include it as a part of the minutes we would appreciate that because we think the record's very important. And if you need to do it next month that's fine too.

Gerry Acuna: You know this is kind of a one of these Robert's Rules of Order minutes here. Now, if the Commissioners suggest something like this then I... absolutely then we can review...

Adam Gregory: It's just a suggestion.

Gerry Acuna: And I absolutely appreciate this. Obviously we haven't had a chance to review this and it's much more detailed that what our... Commissioners?

Jonathan Barona: What specifically do you have that you want to correct?

Adam Gregory: Particularly I think that on matters of controversy it would be appropriate to indicate... it goes into detail about what the staff member said but there's not even a reference to what was stated by those, the stakeholders that came and gave their opinions and there were a number of them, particularly at that meeting, and just reading it saying that they chose to speak without indicating what they said or whether or not they were for or against it; that can be valuable information going forward. But if the minutes are fine for you guys, that's your prerogative.

Gerry Acuna: I wish we would have had this last week. It could have been included and discussed with some knowledge. Again this is a completely different document than this guy, and I...

Cathy Gattuso: I think that we've brought this up before that the minutes have gotten more scarcer each meeting and they're really not a record of what's been going on.

Adam Gregory: And I, I'm sorry.

Cathy Gattuso: So I want, could we table this till the next time?

Gerry Acuna: Sure we can table this.

Adam Gregory: I would also point out that the particular item on the October agenda, the Landfill Criteria Matrix, was voted on by the Commission in a certain way and staff chose to not present that recommendation to Council so with that particular issue I think it might be, and with it certainly going to come up again, I think it might be particularly appropriate to have the details of the situation because it is sort of an unprecedented situation with that particular item.

Gerry Acuna: Alright do I hear a motion to table and revisit? Commissioner?

Kaiba White: Yeah I'm fine with that. I guess I just want to say that I do support having notes about the kind of general statements that are made, citizen communication and when speakers are on a topic I think this is a bit much and that nobody's going to read all this so it's actually, you know. This summary is helpful. So you know I do support tabling it but that would be my suggestion, that we don't move to a transcript but just have, you know, a summary of those comments.

Gerry Acuna: Thank you. Any other comments?

Cathy Gattuso: No.

Adam Gregory: Thank you folks.

Gerry Acuna: Commissioners? Alright I'll entertain motion for...

Kaiba White: I'll move to table this item until the next meeting with the request that staff add just basic

summaries of what all the citizen speakers said.

Jonathan Barona: Second.

Gerry Acuna: Okay, we have a motion by Commissioner White, a second by Jonathan. Any further discussion? Hearing no further discussion all those in favor raise your hand. Unanimous. So the only way things are going to get passed tonight. It's got to be unanimous. Alright, thank you guys.