

Special Meeting-Garbage Pre-Bid Questions
June 23, 2022

A special meeting of the Shenango Township Board of Supervisors was held on Thursday, June 23, 2022, at 1:30 p.m. at the Shenango Township Municipal Building, with Supervisors Al Burick, III, Brandon Rishel, and Frank Augustine present.

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss pre-bid questions for the upcoming Residential Garbage and Recycling Collection, Disposal and Processing bid. All bids need to be submitted by 11:00 a.m. on Friday, July 8, 2022, and will be awarded at the monthly board meeting on July 14, 2022. Brent Bowker representing Republic Services Inc. and Matt Aiken representing Aiken Refuse were present.

The meeting was opened with a salute to the flag.

1. Page 21 Bid Page: Shenango Township will base the bid on 2890 units. A representative at Republic Services reported prior to the meeting that we currently have 2,301 garbage and 2,282 recycling customers. According to Allen Miller of Lawrence County Planning the Township residential unit count is around 3,164. A concern was brought up about missing residents but there's always going to be customers that are going to be using service that may not be accounted for due to various reasons. Shenango Township does not expect significant growth beyond the number we are basing the bid on.
2. 2890 is the house count that will be used if the Township does the billing. If we did bill based off of taxes, there would be a gap of December-January that would fall back on the township.
3. The services that are included in the base collection rate is just off of the 2 garbage totes. These rates are based off of two 95-gallon totes for the bid. It will be up to the contractor to adjust prices based off of the size of the tote. The variable disposable rate is based off 2 totes, tags, and bag service. Shenango Township uses a variable structure. It is mandatory that all residential customers use the selected garbage provider in the contract.
4. Section 150: Option A and Option B state residents are limited to one exchange per year. The contractor can charge extra for the change of service.

Matt Aiken is concerned about the time frame of when the contract is awarded to the start of service. It is going to be difficult to change over the 6-week period due to supply issues but our best answer currently is 6 weeks. We will respond back from the township within 8 days.

Brent Bowker referenced p. 56 in regard to the payments for contacted service based on the base rate or variable rate? The base rate. The Township will be using 95-gallon totes as the base for both. More information to the answer of this question is found on page 27. Price out the bid so that they are both the price for the 95-gallon tote. If need be, the contractor could have a special price for a customer not needing the 95-gallon.

Matt Aiken asked if there is a yard waste cost. We have our own leaf collection program.

Overall, the bid will be based on a 95-gallon tote for garbage and a 95-gallon tote for recycling. Garbage and Recycling is mandatory for our township based on our population. Any additional questions can be emailed through July 1st. The Township will provide answers back to the companies that are present (need to be present at today's meeting to bid).

Motion by Mr. Rishel, second by Mr. Burick to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00pm.