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public before the Campaigning that went on around here for the fall prestions. Sinderely, Raleigh A. Wharton Maga.

Challenges heard by IPC Board

By BILL GRIMES

Daily News

The public still has the opportunity to comment on a dispute between Sutter Sanitation and two businesses that have challenged Sutter's right to develop a transfer station in southwest Effingham County. Landfill 33 Inc. of Effingham and Stock & Co., LLC, of Taylorville have challenged Sutter's effort to develop the transfer station at the old Quandt Grain Elevator on the Farina/Altamont blacktop, about seven miles south of Altamont. The Effingham County Board approved the siting permit in September, but Landfill 33 and Stock both appealed the ruling to the Illinois Pollution Control Board, the state agency that oversees solid waste disposal facilities.

Effingham County State's Attorney Ed Deters, left, and County Clerk Kerry Hirtzel go over some documents before an appeal hear-

ing conducted Thursday by the Illinois Pollution Control Board. Bill Grimes photo When originally applying for the trash to landfills outside of Effingham

which originally applying for the permit to build the transfer station, Sutter Sanitation owner Tracy Sutter said the owner of Landfill 33 had made it clear that Sutter Sanitation is not welcome to dump garbage at 1 adfill 33. That forces Sutter to haul trash to landfills outside of Effingham County. Garbage trucks are not intended to

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make that kind of long trip over highways, and making the trip to other landfills is proving very costly to Sutter. The proposed transfer station would be a site where his garbage

trucks would be unloaded, and the refuse then reloaded into semitrailers to be hauled away.

PCB hearing officer Bradley Halloran conducted the appeal hearing Thursday in the Effingham County Board room. Appeals from both Landfill 33 and Stock were consolidated into one hearing.

Public comment will be considered by the PCB if postmarked by Jan. 3. Attorneys for both sides must file post-hearing briefs by Jan. 10. Replies to those briefs must be filed by Jan. 17.

Halloran said the PCB will make its decision when it meets Feb. 20 in Chicago.

Halloran said transcripts of the hearing will be available Dec. 24 on the PCB Web site at www.ipcb.state.il.us.

Thursday's hearing included testimony from a man who lives across the road from the proposed transfer station, as well as from Tracy Sutter of Sutter Sanitation and Duane Stock of Stock & Co. Landfill 33 representatives did not testify Thursday.

Lloyd Stock, a relative of Duane Stock who leases a home across the road from the proposed transfer station, said the station would have a negative impact on the immediate area.

"I'm concerned about the impact that the transfer station will have," Lloyd Stock said. He added that he was "concerned and disappointed" about the situation.

Lloyd Stock added that he already has seen garbage trucks pulling into the transfer station site. Sutter uses the site as a drop-off recycling center.

Duane Stock, who owns the home that Lloyd Stock lives in, said he had been hampered by not being able to receive a copy of the transcript from the siting hearing until late November.

". "That put us at a disadvantage," Stock said.

The mobile home at which Stock resides is within 1,000 feet of the proposed site — which is a violation of IPCB siting criteria. However, the home did not exist at the time the county board approved Sutter's permit. Lloyd Stock had the home placed on the property shortly after the board awarded the permit to Sutter.

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