

SOLID WASTE/AIR QUALITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes – May 4, 2012

1. CALL TO ORDER

Don Reese called the meeting of the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee to order at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, May 4, 2012 at Jefferson County Courthouse, 320 S. Main Street – Room 203, Jefferson, WI 53549

2. ROLL CALL (ESTABLISH A QUORUM)

Committee members present at 8:30 a.m. were Don Reese, Greg David, Carlton Zentner, Gregory Torres, and John Kannard

Staff members present: Sharon Ehrhardt & Rob Klotz

Guests: John Molinaro, Chair-Jefferson County Board; Donna Haugom, Director-Emergency Government; Don Smith, Manager-Waste Management; Vic Karaliunas, Recycling Manager Ixonia; Ixonia; Norbert R. Willing, Ixonia; Carl Jaeger, Ixonia; Richard Schultz, Street Supervisor-City of Watertown; Tim Ryan, Account Manager-Universal Recycling Technologies; Randy Staubli-Cambridge School District; Dale Vethe-Cambridge School District

3. CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW

Rob Klotz stated that the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee complied with open meetings law requirements.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

5. ELECTION OF SOLID WASTE/AIR QUALITY COMMITTEE OFFICERS – CHAIR, VICE-CHAIR, SECRETARY

Nominations for Committee Chair

Greg Torres nominated Don Reese for Chair of the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee and Carlton Zentner seconded the motion

Motion Carried 5-0

John Kannard made a motion to close nominations and cast unanimous ballot for Don Reese as Chair of the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee and Greg David seconded the motion.

Motion Carried 5-0

Nominations for Committee Vice-Chair

Don Reese nominated Greg David for Vice-Chair of the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee.

Greg Torres nominated Carlton Zentner for Vice-Chair of the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee.

Greg David made the motion that the nominations be closed for Vice-Chair and ballots be handed out for the vote and Don Reese seconded the motion.

Motion Carried 5-0

Rob Klotz counted the ballots.

Votes for Greg David 4 (four)

Votes for Carlton Zentner 1 (one)

Don Reese made a motion that by 4 to 1 vote Greg David, was elected Vice-Chair of the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee and John Kannard seconded the motion.

Motion Carried 5-0

Nominations for Committee Secretary

Greg Torres nominated Carlton Zentner for Secretary of the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee.

Carlton Zentner declined the nomination.

Greg David nominated John Kannard for Secretary of the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee.

Greg David made a motion to close nominations and cast unanimous ballot for John Kannard as Secretary of the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee and Don Reese seconded the motion.

Motion Carried 5-0

6. REVIEW THE AGENDA

Don Reese suggested that Item 12-Debris Management should be moved after Item 8-Communications. No other changes were made to the agenda.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 16, 2012

John Molinaro made a motion to accept the March 16, 2012 minutes as written and Don Reese seconded the motion. **Motion carried 3-0**

8. COMMUNICATIONS – DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION

Don and Sharon explained to the Committee the DNR Green and Healthy School Program. Purdy School-Fort Atkinson has become a Green Ribbon School. Sharon had that information posted on the county website. John Molinaro requested that it be put on Facebook. Sharon is trying to build a teacher database so that she can send recycling information to the county schools. Don also told the Committee to check the DNR site for educational materials.

9. DISCUSS WITH POSSIBLE ACTION-UPDATE FROM WASTE MANAGEMENT-DEER TRACK PARK LANDFILL – DON SMITH

Don S. introduced himself to the new Committee members and explained his association with the Committee. Don handed out the first quarter projections. Don also handed out what we received in host fee since 2010. Don also handed out his estimates for 2012 host fees. Greg Torres asked why the host fee went into the Clean Sweep funds. Rob & Don R. explained that it was part of the siting agreement contract with the County and Town of Farmington. Don R. explained the difference between the tipping fees and hosting fees. They explained that this agreement is unique to Wisconsin landfills. Carlton asked Don S. how our host fees compare to other landfills in Wisconsin and what the possibility was of getting another agreement like this. Don S. doesn't know what other Wisconsin landfills are paying for host fees. He said the County could try to negotiate another contract like this but he didn't know if they would get it in the contract. Don S. said Waste Management is heading into the waste environmental business instead of landfill. Don S. invited the Committee to see the liner construction at the landfill in July or August. He will let Sharon know the date.

10. DISCUSS WITH POSSIBLE ACTION-CAMBRIDGE INVOICE FOR APRIL 14 CLEAN SWEEP WITH MARK HEAL

Mark Heal was not able to attend the meeting, but John Mueller from Veolia came in his place. Two representatives from Cambridge School District attended the meeting. Sharon gave the back ground on the invoice to Cambridge School. Veolia changed the amount of the initial invoice from \$1,200 to \$942.53.

Carlton Zentner made a motion to split the cost of the invoice three ways between Veolia, Cambridge School District and Jefferson County Solid Waste/Air Quality and John Kannard seconded the motion.

Before the vote Don R. asked John Mueller if Veolia would agree with the three-way spit and he said yes. The Cambridge School representatives agreed to the three-way split also.

Motion Carried 4-1

11. DISCUSS WITH POSSIBLE ACTION-UPDATE ON CLEAN SWEEP INFORMATION

a. April 14 Clean Sweep Summary

Sharon handed out a summary sheet for the April Clean Sweep. Sharon asked John Mueller to explain a VSQG (very small quantity generator). Don R. said there were no lines and if the attendance drops we could scale back the hours. Next Clean Sweep is the May 19 at Watertown Street Department.

b. Donations Update

Sharon handed out a chart with the donation updates. Don S. asked Sharon to include the landfill host fees in the future. Rob explained how and why we started asking for donations. Watertown donates \$20,000 from their utility fees to cover the Clean Sweep costs.

c. Electronic Collections Update

Sharon said we received \$3,553.66 from URT for the recycling of laptops and CPUs. They pay us 10 cents a pound for those items. Rob and Sharon explained to the new Committee members that we paid

at one time 18 to 34 cents a pound for disposal and now we get paid. Rick told the Committee that Watertown is trying to open more avenues of recycling by adding appliance collections next to the electronic site. They are in the process of checking out mattress and box spring recycling. Don Smith said that mattresses cause problems at the landfill and sometimes equipment downtime with repairs up to \$5,000 or more. Rick said that if it works out with the mattresses they will start taking upholstered furniture in January 2013. Hopefully in the future he can open it up to the whole county. Don R thanked Rick for work he does in the City of Watertown and the support he gives to the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee with recycling and Clean Sweep projects. Rob pointed out that in the last 3-4 years more businesses have started to use recycled products which in turn creates jobs. Carlton also gave a special thanks to Rick and the City of Watertown for finding markets to recycle materials. Vic said people come to Ixonia to dispose of carpeting and they charge \$25 or they give them an alternative of taking it to Watertown for recycling. Don S. asked Sharon to add the revenue from the landfill on her chart with the other revenue.

d. URT Contract Update

Sharon handed out the tonnages for electronic recycling. Sharon also emailed all groups involved with electronic recycling to get their materials shipped out before the end of June for the close of the program year. Sharon handed out info about what materials the electronics program covered and what will be covered for appliances. She also told the Committee that Fort Atkinson was in the process of setting up their appliance collections. Rick in Watertown and Ixonia already collect appliances. Tim Ryan called Sharon and said that they will pickup all appliances free and will not charge for the removal of Freon. Tim also will be sending Sharon an amendment to our contract listing these changes. Sharon said that after a year they might pay us pennies for the appliance materials. Sharon and Rick met with the City of Jefferson and they are considering collecting electronics and appliances.

e. Drug Collections Update

Sharon asked if she could call the City of Lake Mills about placing a drop-box in their lobby; Don R. said To contact Lake Mills Police Department. Don R talked to the Sheriff and he is clearing out the box weekly. Rob told the Committee that we redid the posters and brochures. Rob made a contact at Fort Health Care to distribute our posters and brochures to all their clinics, pharmacies and patients. The Committee asked Sharon to send new brochures to all pharmacies, hospice groups, group homes, and assisted living homes.

f. Fort Atkinson & Whitewater Drug Container Updates

The drop boxes are in place in the City of Whitewater and Fort Atkinson. Sharon didn't know if they started collecting drugs. They were going to announce each location in the local newspaper.

12. DISCUSS WITH POSSIBLE ACTION-DISASTER DEBRIS MANAGEMENT UPDATES WITH DONNA HAUGOM

a. FEMA Training

Donna told the Committee that because of the results from the survey we are holding a FEMA Debris Management training session June 26-28, 2012 at the Lake Mills Fire Department. All local Towns, Cities and Villages are invited to the training. She also told all Committee members they were also invited to the training. Donna said the training class helps people to understand how debris should be disposed of and sorted according to FEMA regulations.

b. Disaster Debris management Surveys

Donna thanked the Committee and Sharon for helping implement the surveys sent out to the Town, Cities and Villages. The results of the surveys showed that very few know what FEMA expected in case of a disaster that causes debris or how to handle the debris.

c. Next Step

In the future a check list maybe developed that Towns, Cities and Villages could follow in debris disposal. Donna is also starting a list for Jefferson on what equipment is available in case of a disaster.

Don asked Donna if she would attend the Towns Association meeting to explain what is needed from the Towns for debris management.

13. DISCUSS WITH POSSIBLE ACTION-URT RECOGNITION EVENT FOR ONE MILLION POUNDS OF ELECTRONICS

The date will be June 12th at the Jefferson County Fair Park from 3 to 5 pm. The speakers for the event are Senator Mark Miller, Rep. Andy Jorgensen and President Jim Cornwell (URT). Invitations will be sent to all our partners, towns, cities, villages, and donors who help us reach a million pounds.

John Kannard made the motion to allow Sharon to spend \$100 on food for the One Million Pound Event and Greg Torres seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4-1

14. DISCUSS WITH POSSIBLE ACTION-UPDATE ON VIDEO PROSPECTUS

Jim Leser told Sharon that the video should be done in June and she should have a copy for the Million Pound event. Rob pointed out to the new members that this is part of the education part of our contract. This is being made by UW-Extension at no cost to the county.

15. DISCUSS WITH POSSIBLE ACTION-LETTER TO HOSPICE CENTER WITH DRUG COLLECTION SITES

Sharon just got the list from the Health Department and will put the letter together for Don R. to review. The letter will include the new drug collection sites and the updated brochures.

16. DISCUSS WITH POSSIBLE ACTION-AROW MEETING, APRIL 24, 2012 WITH SHARON

Sharon went to the AROW meeting in Madison. AROW is going to start a business because the governor set aside money from economic development.

17. DISCUSS WITH POSSIBLE ACTION-UPDATE AIR QUALITY INFORMATION

Nothing has been happening. We are in the air stream that we get more of our bad air from counties south or west of us. The Committee would like an update if Sharon could get one.

18. DISCUSS WITH NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS SOLID WASTE/AIR QUALITY COMMITTEE SUMMARY

Rob pointed out to the Committee that our mission statement and plans are on our newly designed website.

19. SET FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE, NEXT MEETING DATE, AND POSSIBLE AGENDA ITEMS

a. Possible Cancellation of May 18 and June 22 Meetings

Cancelling May 18 meeting because we will be at Clean Sweep May 19.

Greg Torres said 8:00 am meeting would be better for him. We are changing meeting time to 8:00 am.

b. Clean Sweep Scheduled for Saturday, May 19, Watertown

c. One Million Pounds Event Scheduled for Tuesday, June 12 – Jefferson County Fair Park

No meeting in June except for June 12 One Million Pound event.

20. ADJOURN

Carlton Zentner made a motion to adjourn the meeting and John Kannard seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0

Meeting Dates for the following months:

Saturday, May 19, 2012 – Clean Sweep – City of Watertown Street Dept., 811 S. First Street, Watertown

Tuesday, June 12, 2012 – One Million Pounds Event 3-5 PM – Jefferson County Fair Park

Friday, July 20, 2012 – Solid Waste/Air Quality Meeting – Jefferson County Courthouse – Room 203

Friday, August 17, 2012 – Solid Waste/Air Quality Meeting – Jefferson County Courthouse – Room 203

Saturday, September 21, 2012 – Clean Sweep – City of Fort Atkinson Public Work Dept., 700 James Street Fort Atkinson

Friday, October 5, 2012 – Clean Sweep – City of Whitewater Public Works Complex, 150 E. Starin Road, Whitewater

These minutes will be reviewed and acted upon at the next Solid Waste & Air Quality Committee meeting. See those minutes for the record of action. A digital recording of these minutes is available upon request.

Secretary of Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee