

SOLID WASTE/AIR QUALITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes

September 19, 2008

1. CALL TO ORDER

Don Reese called the meeting of the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee to order at 8:02 a.m. on Friday, September 19, 2008 at UW-Extension, 864 Collins Road, Room 12, Jefferson, WI 53549

2. ROLL CALL (ESTABLISH A QUORUM)

Committee members present at 8:02 a.m. were Don Reese-Chair, Walt Christensen-Vice Chair, Carlton Zentner, and Vic Imrie

Greg David-Secretary arrived at 8:10 a.m.

Staff member present: Sharon Ehrhardt

Guests: Professor Steve Grabow-UW-Extension Jefferson, Elisabeth E. Olson-DNR Recycling and Waste Reduction Education and Outreach Coordinator, Karen Sieg-Executive Director-WI Be SMART Coalition, Nancy Davenport-Education Consultation-WI Be SMART Coalition and Don Smith-Manager Deer Track Landfill-Waste Management

3. CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW

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

4. REVIEW THE AGENDA

Consensus was to keep the agenda as presented

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – August 15, 2008

Vic Imrie made a motion to accept the August 15, 2008 minutes with a time correction in item 16 (Adjourn at 11:45 instead 10:05) and Carlton Zentner seconded the motion.

Motion Carried 4-0

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Sharon told the Committee she researched the newspaper article from the Daily Jefferson County Union. The article was about the school students in Fort Atkinson who worked on a project with the Heart of the City, reusing garbage cans by painting them to be used in the Fort Atkinson schools for recycling. They completed 25 recycling containers and have 100 more to do, so this is an ongoing project. Sharon contacted the schools asking if the Committee could honor the students and teachers involved with the project and they replied yes. The Committee wants this put on the agenda again so they can discuss in more detail honoring students and teachers, and projects in reducing, reusing, and recycling.

7. CORRESPONDENCE AND DISCUSSION

Flyer Sent to Licensed Salvage Yards

DATCP State News Release “September Prescription Drug Clean Sweeps”

Solid & Hazardous Waste Education Center – “Newsletter September 2008”

Veolia ES News, September 2008 – “The Environmental Buzz E-Newsletter”

NACo E-News (National Association of Counties) – “September 9, 2008 Newsletter”

Joseph Van Rossum E-Mail – “Economic Impacts to 2009 Recycling Efficiency Incentive Grants”

Joseph Van Rossum E-Mail – “Webinar Education on Recycling”

Environmental Industry Associations - "Tech Trash Talk/Meeting the Challenge of Electronics Recycling"

Wisconsin State Journal Editorial – "Rules Needed to Fish Without Fear"

JOnline – "EPA Cites 6 Counties for Fine-Particle Pollution"

Additional correspondence handed out at the meeting:

Roger Springman – DATCP Email – "2009 Grant Announcement for Household & Ag"

Cascade Solution Email – "Summit 2008 IT Financial, Procurement & Asset Management"

8. STEVE GRABOW WILL CONTINUE TO FACILITATE A REVIEW AND ASSESSMENT OF THE SOLID WASTE/AIR QUALITY PLANS WITH FUTURE PLANNING INITIATIVES COUNTY ON THE WEBSITE

The Committee was sent an outline from the discussion at the August 15, 2008 meeting. Steve Grabow facilitated another discussion about the Solid Waste/Air Quality plans and will distribution the outline to the Committee when completed. The Committee requested that Sharon detail some the projects that were completed and not completed on the Committee's plans. She will present this information at the November and December meetings for discussion.

9. REPORT ON SEPTEMBER 11, 2008 CLEAN SWEEP

Sharon reported that we had a total of 119 participants which included 94 households, 14 businesses, and 11 farms. Sharon had not received the bill from Veolia at the meeting time. The cost for disposal of 5,688 pounds of electronics was \$1,224.06.

Sharon also told the Committee she received a call from Roger Springman about a \$5,000 grant for our pharmaceutical part of the clean sweep. Roger said that if at all possible we should use up the grant. Sharon didn't think the cost of the pharmaceutical part of the clean sweep would cost \$5,000. Roger suggested we could purchase shirts, advertising or signs. The Committee requested that Sharon put together a list of items and an estimate of cost for the October 17 Solid Waste/Air Quality meeting.

Carlton Zentner left at 10:35 a.m.

10. DON SMITH UPDATE ON DEER TRACK PARK LANDFILL

Don reported that on a Sunday in August ten (10) of their trucks brought in waste from Oconomowoc. Don said that the RDD approval is still pending. Don also submitted a 5% over fill pending DNR approval. The fill would have to be back at regulation height at the cells closing. Because of materials decomposing more fill space is available. Air space is valuable so turning a landfill into an anaerobic biodegradation is a more feasible plan than a dry tomb.

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources inspection was good with no problems.

A tour of the landfill will be conducted on October 17, 2008 and a short meeting after the tour will take place in the landfill's conference room. Sharon will create an invitation for all the County Board Supervisors.

11. GREG DAVID – UPDATE ON GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON RECYCLING

Greg will let the Committee members know when and where the next meeting of Governors Council on Recycling occurs.

Greg David left at 11:10 a.m.

12. ELIZABETH OLSON UPDATE ON DNR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Elizabeth is hoping to tie the DNR Green & Healthy School program in with the Be SMART website. Elizabeth will be trying to educate businesses on recycling and have tools on the DNR website that would be helpful to businesses. Elizabeth handed out Climate Guides to the Committee and gave them to Nancy for her classrooms.

Elizabeth Olson left at 11:20 a.m.

13. NANCY DAVENPORT AND KAREN SIEG BE SMART UPDATE ON PROGRAMS FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY AND THE BE SMART ASSOCIATION WITH THE SOLID WASTE/AIR QUALITY COMMITTEE

Nancy Davenport brought her educational packets to the Committee to see, but was unable to present them because of time. Karen Sieg explained to the Committee about the new recycling website "RecyclemoreWisconsin.org". Don Reese took some of the applications for his town. Sharon will put together something for Jefferson County to promote the new recycling website. It is a great opportunity for communities to promote recycling. Nancy and Karin had planned to present the waste reduction programs Be SMART has initiated in Jefferson County and the benefits those programs have provided. Because of time and a concern that a quorum would not be possible for that discussion, Nancy and Karin quickly summarized their presentation. There was no time for specifics or discussion. Since the October meeting will be held at the Deer Track Landfill, Nancy requested that the education program benefit item be moved to the November meeting. Karin will not be able to attend the November meeting.

14. DISCUSS AGENDA ITEMS FOR NOVEMBER COMMITTEE MEETING

November

- Results of the Financial Committee's Action ON 2009 Budgets.
- Nancy Davenport to discuss effective educational programs, website enhancements, and other educational opportunities in Jefferson County.
- Discuss Clean Sweeps for September & October
- Clean Sweep Advertising for 2009
- Paula Sumpter – Jefferson County Green Website
- Dean Fischer – Whitewater Public Works
- Pharmaceutical & Ag & Household Grant Information
- Update on Solid Waste/Air Quality Plans

15. Adjourn

Vic Imrie made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:50 and Walt Christensen seconded the motion.
The motion carried 3-0

Meeting Dates for the following months.

Friday, October 17, 2008 – Solid Waste/Air Quality Meeting & Tour of Deer Track Park Landfill at Deer Track Park

Friday, November 21, 2008 – Solid Waste/Air Quality Meeting – UW-Extension, Room 12

Friday, December 19, 2008 – Solid Waste/Air Quality Meeting – UW-Extension, Room 12

These minutes will be reviewed and acted upon at next month's Solid Waste & Air Quality Committee meeting. See those minutes for the record of action.