

SOLID WASTE/AIR QUALITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes May 30, 2008

1. CALL TO ORDER

Don Reese called the meeting of the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee to order at 8:35 a.m. on Friday, May 30, 2008 at UW-Extension, Room 12, at 864 Collins Road, Jefferson, WI 53549.

2. ROLL CALL (ESTABLISH A QUORUM)

Committee members present at 8:35 a.m. were Don Reese, Vic Imrie, Carlton Zentner, Greg David, and Walt Christensen.

Staff members present: Bruce Haukom and Sharon Ehrhardt

Guests: Nancy Davenport-Waste Reduction Specialist /Community Educator Consultant to Jefferson County & Wisconsin Be SMART Coalition, Wal-Mart representatives Linda Doerr, Carolyn Prochaska, and Gene Cox

3. CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW

Bruce Haukom 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. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Nominations for Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary

Nominations for Chair

Vic Imrie nominated Don Reese for Chair of the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee and Carlton Zentner seconded the nomination.

Vic Imrie 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 Vice-Chair

Carlton Zentner made a motion to close nominations and cast unanimous ballot for Walt Christensen as Vice Chair of the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee and Greg David seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0

Nominations for Secretary

Carlton Zentner made a motion to close nominations and cast unanimous ballot for Greg David as Secretary of the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee and Vic Imrie seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0

6. REVIEW BOARD RULES FOR SOLID WASTE/AIR QUALITY COMMITTEE

Don Reese read the Board rules for the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee. The Committee consensus was that the rules were correct and no changes were needed.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 28, 2008

Carlton Zentner made a motion to accept the March 28, 2008 minutes as written and Vic Imrie seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 to 0

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

Gene Cox, Wal-Mart representative from the Jefferson store introduced himself. He explained that each store has created its own sustainability teams. To reduce energy in the new Jefferson Wal-Mart store, they have installed sky lights and installed motion lights in the restrooms and freezers. They also used recycled produces for the flooring in the new store. Wal-Mart has recycling containers in all the area stores for plastic bags, batteries, plastic bottles and aluminum cans, fluorescent lights and Nike shoes. Some of the Wal-Mart stores are looking into taking electronics back, but the big problem is storage for returned products.

9. CORRESPONDENCE AND DISCUSSION

Anne W. Baldwin – Thank You Letter

Roger Springman, Program Manager Clean Sweeps – Thank You Letter

WI Dept. of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection – “May 7, 2008 Local Governments Receive Grants to Fund Unwanted Prescription Drug Disposal”

Neil Peters-Michaud, CEO - Cascade Asset Management Pricing Change

Air Matters, April 2008 – Volume 3, Issue 2 Newsletter

Solid & Hazardous Waste Education Center – May, 2008 Newsletter

Watertown Daily Times – “A Salute to Earth Day”

Daily Jefferson County Union – “Planet Well”

Sharon explained that the letter re: Cascade Asset Management Pricing Change does not apply to Jefferson County because we are members of the Value Group and reduced pricing applies; we have a signed contract.

10. NANCY DAVENPORT – SIGNS FOR RECYCLING AT FAIR PARK

Nancy asked the Committee if there was a way to inventory the containers and lids at the Fair Park. A suggestion was made to charge for the loss or damage of containers when groups use them at events. She also asked for professional-looking signage to be used at the Fair Park for recycling. It is important to have signage with the correct information. The Committee suggested a banner at each entrance tell the public that Fair Park recycles. Nancy will be gone the week of the fair and will prepare as much as possible for fair week. Sharon can check on things that need to be looked after. Nancy and Sharon will also be laminating signs for inside the barns and beer stands. Bruce is going to call Roger at Fair Park and set up a meeting to discuss containers and placement.

11. BOB RUPNOW – DISCUSS PLASTIC BAG RECYCLING

Waste News-May 26, 2008 Issue “Scrap Plastics Demand High as Collection Lags”

Bob could not attend today. He would like the Committee to consider different ways of encouraging the use of cloth bags, instead of plastic bags when grocery shopping or any kind of shopping. The above article addresses the issue of education to the public on the need to recycle plastic bags and bottles. Manufactures are using and creating products from these commodities. Wal-Mart has containers in their stores where you can drop off your used plastic bags. Nancy Davenport in her classroom recycling education, tells students to use a lunch bag that can be reused again, instead of plastic or paper that is throw-a-way.

12. GREG DAVID – GOVERNOR’S COUNCIL ON RECYCLING

Greg David invited the Committee and Staff to attend the next Governor’s Council on Recycling meeting held at Jefferson County Courthouse – Room 202 at 9:00 a.m., 864 Collins Road, Jefferson, WI 53549. There will be a presentation by Neil Peters-Michaud, Cascade-Asset Management on recycling electronics and a presentation on the “Natural Step”. The Council is exploring recycling in Wisconsin.

13. APRIL 5, 2008 AND MAY 3, 2008 CLEAN SWEEP RESULTS

Sharon handed out a chart with the results of the two spring clean sweeps. We have \$37,000 left in our budget for disposing of electronics, chemicals, and pharmaceuticals. We received the \$5,000 grant for the pharmaceuticals and that money should cover the cost of disposing pharmaceuticals.

14. 2009 CLEAN SWEEP SCHEDULE

Four clean sweeps are scheduled for 2009. Here are the dates and locations scheduled:

Saturday, April 4, 2009 – Jefferson County Fair Park

Saturday, May 2, 2009 – Watertown Recycling Center

Thursday, September 17, 2009 – Jefferson County Fair Park

Saturday, October 24, 2009 – Jefferson County Fair Park

15. DISCUSS BE SMART – JUNE 3, 2008 MEETING

Karen Sieg from Be SMART sent the 2008 programming & services for Jefferson County and the 2007 annual report for the Committee to review before the June 3, 2008 meeting.

Nancy Davenport invited all the Committee members to the presentation of the environmental award at Riverside Middle School in Watertown. Fran Milburn, seventh-grade teacher will be presented the award. The meeting time is June 10, 2008 at 1:00 p.m. Sharon told Nancy she would attend. Greg David said that he might attend.

16. DISCUSS 2008 PHARMACEUTICAL GRANT AND 2009 HOUSEHOLD & AG GRANT

We received the 5,000 dollar pharmaceutical grant. The 2009 household & Ag grant information has not been sent out as of the meeting.

17. DISCUSS LEAD TACKLE EXCHANGE FOR THE APRIL 4, 2009 CLEAN SWEEP

The Committee did not want to do a tackle exchange if it costs money to buy the tackle. The Loon Watch group did not receive a grant this year and will be charging for supplies. The Committee asked Sharon to put lead tackle on our clean sweep list and she replied that she already added that item to this year’s brochure. The Committee said that if the Loon Watch group has a brochure, we could copy it and it could be handed out at the fair. That is all the Committee wants to do for now.

18. DISCUSS TRAVEL GREEN WISCONSIN SPONSORED BY: JEFFERSON COUNTY TOURISM COUNCIL

Copy of a Travel Green Wisconsin Workshop agenda was handed out to the Committee. The Committee said that Sharon should invite Eda Duesterhoeft to come to the June 20, 2008 Committee meeting and discuss Travel Green Wisconsin.

19. DISCUSS MEETING DATES, TIME AND LOCATION

Don Reese made a motion to keep the meeting date the third Friday of the month and change the starting time to 8:00 a.m. instead of 8:30 a.m. Vic Imrie seconded the motion.

The motion carried 5-0

20. DISCUSS AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE JUNE AND JULY COMMITTEE MEETINGS

June 20, 2008

- Discuss July 9-13 Jefferson County Fair.
- Travel Green Wisconsin – Eda Duesterhoeft
- 2009 Budget – Bruce Haukom
- Discuss June 17 Governor's Council on Recycling meeting
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July 18, 2008

- Ed Jepsen – DNR

August 15, 2008

- Professor Steve Grabow, UW-Extension and Steve Brachman, UW-Extension
 - a. Professor Grabow will go over the Solid Waste Plans, achievements and facilitate future visions for the Committee
 - b. Steve Brachman will update the Committee on what's happening with pharmaceuticals in Wisconsin.
- Elisabeth ("Lis") E. Olson – new DNR Recycling/Waste Reduction Education and Outreach Coordinator

21. ADJOURN

Vic Imrie made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 a.m. and Carlton Zentner seconded the motion.

The Motion carried 5-0

Meeting Dates for the following months.

Tuesday, June 3, 2008 – Be SMART Meeting – UW-Extension, Room 8 & 9 at 10:00 a.m.

Lunch 11:30 a.m. – Executive meeting at 12:00 a.m.

Tuesday, June 17, 2008 – Governors Council for Recycling – UW-Extension, Room 12 at 9:00 a.m.

Friday, June 20, 2008 – Solid Waste/Air Quality Meeting – UW-Extension, Room 12

Wednesday-Sunday, July 9-13, 2008 – Jefferson County Fair at Fair Park

Friday, July 18, 2008 – Solid Waste/Air Quality Meeting – UW-Extension, Room 12

Friday, August 15, 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.