



City of Sioux Falls Solid Waste Planning Board Minutes

Environmental Center

1017 E Chambers Street

Tuesday, February 26, 2013; 5:30 pm

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

A regular meeting of the Solid Waste Planning Board was called to order at 5:30 pm by Bob Kappel, Acting Board Chair. A quorum was present.

Roll Call:

Members Present:

Bob Kappel, Acting Chair, Environmental Manager
Ken Allender, Citizen Representative
Cindy Neuroth, Waste Hauling Industry Representative
Dave McElroy, Landfill Superintendent
Jake Anderson, Recycling Industry Representative
Nancy Korkow, McCook County
Deb Reinicke, Lake County Representative
Norman Dittman, Citizen Representative
Ryan Streff, Minnehaha County Representative
Dennis Weeldreyer, Lincoln County Representative
Sarah Campbell, Citizen Representative
Merle Wollman, Multihousing Representative

Members Absent:

John Overby, Turner County
Fred Snoderly, City of Madison

*Arrived after roll call

Others present:

Shaun Feilmeier, Millennium Recycling; Jeff Westrick, Novak; Perry Schemp, Marv's Sanitation; Brandi Rensch, City Sustainability Technician; Dan Neuroth, D&C Solid Waste Services; Laurie Cressman, ARS; DiAnn Cressman, ARS; Tom McKnelly, RBS Sanitation; Jon Hanson, Lincoln Co Transfer

2. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Reinicke and seconded by Wollman to approve the meeting agenda. (Vote: Yeses: Allender, Neuroth, McElroy, Anderson, Korkow, Dittman, Streff, Weeldreyer, Campbell, Reinicke, Wollman. Noes: None.) **Motion passes unanimously.**

3. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by McElroy and seconded by Allender to approve the minutes of the Solid Waste Planning Board meeting of November 15, 2012 (Vote: Yeses: Allender, Neuroth, McElroy, Anderson,

Korkow, Dittman, Streff, Weeldreyer, Campbell, Reinicke, Wollman. Noes: None.) **Motion passes unanimously.**

4. Introduction of new board member – Bob Kappel, Acting Chair

- Kappel introduced and welcomed Cindy Neuroth who was appointed to the SWPB by the Mayor January 2013. Cindy will be representing the waste hauling industry and was elected to serve on the Ordinance Review Subcommittee at the February 20, 2013 meeting.
- Merle Wollman was selected by the Multi-housing Association for continued representation; this selection was approved by the Mayor and Merle will serve an additional three year term.

5. 2013 Board Member Term Expirations- Bob Kappel, Acting Chair

- Nancy Korkow is the representative for McCook County, Ryan Streff is the representative for Minnehaha County – per Code of Ordinances; these seats are not term limited; documentation from the represented governing bodies is requested documenting reappointment of members at the three year term end or documenting the appointment of a new member. This documentation will be submitted to the Mayor’s office for official City Council presentation.
- Sarah Campbell, citizen representative will reach her three year term in June. This position will be announced by the Mayor’s office for citizen consideration in April or May.

6. Board Member Attendance Concern- Bob Kappel, Acting Chair

- Currently we have 7 members that are at 75% attendance or higher, which is fairly good for a board of this size.
- We have two members that are at below 50% participation, with one member being at 0% participation.
 - Sioux Falls Code of Ordinances maintains that:
 - “Citizen appointees who miss more than fifty percent of the board meetings in any calendar year may be removed by the Mayor for cause.”
 - “Except as otherwise provided by this Code or state law, the council may remove any member of an agency, authority, board, committee, commission, or district appointed by the council for cause.”
 - Due to the injustice towards represented entities when the Representative of said entity does not participate in the SWPB meetings in order to represent their best interest, it is the opinion of administration that we need to begin issuing requests for the removal of appointed members not meeting their obligation.

Request to the board members for discussion of desired proceeding actions.

A motion was made by Wollman and seconded by Korkow to approve/deny notification of affected represented entities when the Representative is not meeting at least 50% participation. This would take place prior to request for removal in order to present represented entities the opportunity to appoint another member. (Vote: Yeses: Allender, Neuroth, McElroy, Anderson, Korkow, Dittman, Streff, Weeldreyer, Campbell, Reinicke, and Wollman. Noes: None.) **Motion passes unanimously.**

7. Landfill Superintendent report – Dave McElroy

- Revised Ordinances of Sioux Falls has changed to Code of Ordinances of Sioux Falls with Chapter 18 being changed to Chapter 57 and Chapter 23 changed to Chapter 110.
- 2013 hauler applications have been received and hauler licenses have been issued
 - If a hauler implements changes to their customer rates, they must fill out that portion of their license with the update for submittal. The rate changes need to be annotated to show compliance with the Pay As You Throw ordinance. Written communication on this will be sent out to haulers.
- Upcoming projects:
 - Cell 3 and Leachate pond 3 had originally been estimated at \$4.8 million and the bid came in at \$4.0 million.
 - Cell 2 gas laterals for recirculation and landfill gas will be under construction
 - We will begin the Solid Waste permit process this September. Solid Waste permits are good for 5 years, that permit will expire in 2014; request for renewal is required 180 days prior to expiration.
 - Solid Waste long range Master Plan process will soon begin
 - Tier II testing will be taking place for Clean Air Act permitting; Air Quality Permit also expires in 2014.
 - 2012 annual MSW tonnage was down to 168,000 tons from 173,000 tons in 2011. C&D was down to 66,000 from 79,000 in 2011. Yard waste was down by 200 tons. Wood waste was down, however, due to grant dollars, tire collection was up.
 - New equipment has been purchased for the landfill to include:
 - Electronic message board
 - Compactor
 - Dozer
 - Hook Truck – this will be the primary daily cover applicator

8. Environmental Division Report –

- Bob Kappel, Environmental Manager
 - With our new team in place, issues had been identified with the tracking process. We are implementing some additional protocols to the final

numbers for 2012 recycling are not yet complete but should be available by the next meeting.

- The City of Madison had been a hauler license with the City of Sioux Falls landfill. As of January 1, 2013 they have chosen to move on and utilize the Brookings Sanitary Landfill and not renew their license with the City of Sioux Falls. We are still servicing the majority of Lake County with other licensed haulers. Lake County will continue within our service area.
 - For the Sustainability Coordinator position, we had over 100 applications and should begin the interview process shortly.
 - Next week on Tuesday we will be holding a press conference with the Mayor to announce the 2013 recycling rate. We are pleased with the increase in recycling and believe that had we not been under drought conditions the recycling rate would have been even higher, it appears that the lack of yard waste was a factor.
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- Brandi Rensch, Sustainability Technician
 - January Recycling Reports and Annual reports will be going out next week following the press conference announcing the 2013 Recycling Rate
 - We are slotted for a March taping of a City Scene segment highlighting Single Stream Recycling, if any haulers are interested in participating we would welcome that presence, an email will be going out in regards to that event.
 - We have applied for a recycling bin grant through a joint venture between Coca-Cola and Beautify America. If awarded this grant, the bins would be utilized to increase recycling at convenience/fueling stations and City Parks.

9. Update: Ordinance Review Subcommittee – Ken Allender, Subcommittee Chair

- Discussions continued on tiered licensing fee with Attorney response being reported by Kappel. Attorney's opinion is that a tiered fee schedule may be implemented as long as it does not exceed the actual cost of implementation of licensing. The committee tasked City staff with determining the inclusive costs of licensing related items and with developing a sample tier fee based on those costs.
- A concerned citizen presented the committee with concerns of garbage and recycling bins not meeting the standards of inconspicuous container storage. Mr. LaVergne had a PowerPoint presentation showing examples of his concern as well as submitted to the committee a draft recommendation of Ordinance verbiage change. The committee voted to accept Mr. LaVergne's proposal in the capacity of City staff reviewing the recommendation in detail and revising the language for re-submittal to the committee for review.

10. Board Opinion on Yard Waste Additional Claim- Brandi Rensch, Sustainability Tech

- A request had been submitted by a hauler for credit in regards to a yard waste additional claim. The yard waste being hauled to a third party and being used for mulching in a tree grove. The request was made in November and City staff has been unable to come to a consensus of acceptance or denial. According to the EPA Guidelines for Recycling and opinion requested of the EPA, this would be a valid claim. There are concerns of local historical standards and verification of material.

A motion was made by Streff and seconded by Reinicke to accept third party recycling of yard waste as long as the materials are verifiable (Vote: Yeses: Campbell, Reinicke, Streff, Wollman, Neuroth
Noes: Allender, Anderson, Dittman, Korkow, McElroy.) There being a tie, Acting Chair votes: Kappel, No.
Motion fails.

11. Other:

- **All topics previously discussed**

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Wollman and seconded by McElroy to adjourn at 6:48 p.m. (Vote: Yeses: Allender, Neuroth, McElroy, Anderson, Korkow, Dittman, Streff, Weeldreyer, Campbell, Reinicke, and Wollman. Noes: None.) **Motion passes unanimously.**