



# Summary of the Jefferson County

## Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee Tour

Friday, June 21, 2013 at **9:00 A.M.**

### Jefferson County Courthouse – **Room 203**

**1. Call to Order - Ixonia Recycling Center, Roll Call (Establish a Quorum)**

Don Reese called the meeting to order at the Ixonia Recycling Center – 9:00 A.M.

Committee members present were Don Reese, Chair; John Kannard, Secretary; Carlton Zentner. Excused were Greg Torres and Greg David

In attendance were Don Smith, Manager of Deer Track Park Landfill; Ed Morse, Jefferson County Supervisor; Sharon Ehrhardt, Solid Waste/Clean Sweep Specialist

**2. Certification of Compliance With the Open Meetings Law**

Ehrhardt verified that the meeting was being held in compliance with open meeting law requirements.

**3. Review the Agenda**

No changes were proposed to the agenda.

**4. Ixonia Recycling Center, W1276 Elmwood Avenue, Ixonia, WI. Vic Karaliunas, Recycling Chairman will explain the Towns of Ixonia & Concord recycling site operations.**

Vic Karaliunas and Lee Schmeckpeper explained how the Recycling Center works and where everything is stored. This site is very clean and organized with labeled containers for all materials. When the site is open the staff makes sure that the recyclable materials get into the proper containers so they can reduce the waste costs. They have partnered with Watertown so they can dispose of carpeting, mattresses, and compost.

They have also partnered with metal recyclers to offset the cost of the operation. The partnership with Jefferson County has also reduced disposal costs of electronics and appliances. The Ixonia Recycling Center is an example of a very well-run operation and a great service for its residents. For more information about the Ixonia Recycling Center go to this website: [www.townofixonia.com](http://www.townofixonia.com)

**5. Y's Way Flooring, 809 Station Street, Watertown, WI. Mike Yenser, Co-owner of Y's Way Flooring will explain the carpet recycling partnership between the City of Watertown & Y's Way Flooring.**

Y's Way Flooring partnered with the City of Watertown Street Department to recycle carpeting and reduce the amount of it going into the landfill. They send a semi-trailer full almost every two weeks to a processing place in Michigan. The City of Watertown and Y's Way Flooring will take carpeting for recycling from any resident of Jefferson County. The company that recycles the carpeting is CLEAR (Carpet Landfill Elimination And Recycling). Their website is [www.landfillclear.com](http://www.landfillclear.com)

**6. Midwest Mattress Recovery, N1047 County Road L, Watertown, WI. Kyle Kopplin and Bob Mudler will explain the mattress and box spring recycling business.**

Kyle and Bob gave a tour of the Midwest Mattress Recovery operation. The mattress recovery operation opened its doors in March of 2013 and is the first mattress recovery company in Wisconsin. Here are year-to-date totals: 7,965 pieces recycled; 478,080

pounds recovered; 183,194 CF landfill saved; 282,719 pounds of metal recycled; 95,580 pounds of poly recycled; 39,825 pounds of wood recycled. Check out the website [www.midwestmattressrecovery.com](http://www.midwestmattressrecovery.com)

7. **Watertown Electronic/Appliance/Oil Recycling, 727 W. Cady Street, Watertown, WI. Rick Schultz, Street Superintendent will explain the site operation**  
We did a drive by of the site because of rain. This site has good signage so residents know where to put their electronics, appliances and mattresses/box springs. This site also has a waste oil and oil filter collection area.
8. **Watertown Compost Site. Rick Schultz will explain the site operation.**  
Rick led us to the compost site and explained the different areas for grass clippings, brush, logs and organics. The site is very organized with good signage for residents.
9. **Watertown Construction Debris Site, 811 S. 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Watertown, Rick Schultz will explain the site operation.**  
Rick has partnered with Waste Management for recycling construction debris at the Street Department site.  
  
The successful operation is only for City of Watertown residents who are doing small remodeling jobs; residents have to check into the Street Department office before unloading their debris. Businesses are responsible for recycling their own debris.  
  
The construction debris site is not located at the Street Department site because it was abused by businesses when it was at the 727 W. Cady site.  
  
For more information about Watertown recycling, go to this website, [www.ci.watertown.wi.us](http://www.ci.watertown.wi.us), look under City Departments and then click on recycling and sanitation.
10. **Discuss agendas for the July 19<sup>th</sup> and August 16<sup>th</sup> Solid Waste/Air Quality meetings.**  
The Committee said to cancel the July 19<sup>th</sup> meeting, but to schedule a Committee meeting for August 16<sup>th</sup>.
11. **Adjourn**  
No motion was made for adjournment because we didn't have a quorum at this time. Meeting ended at 12:30 p.m.

**The Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee did not discuss or take action on any item specifically listed on the agenda while in transit or at the tour sites.**