



Jefferson County Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee

March 24, 2017 - 8:00 a.m.

**Jefferson County Courthouse – Room 203
311 S. Center Avenue, Jefferson, WI 53549**

Minutes

Members: Don Reese-Chair, Gregg Patrick -Vice Chair, Laura Payne-Secretary, Kirk Lund and Gary Kutz

Staff: Rob Klotz, Sharon Ehrhardt and Matt Zangl

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 8:03 a.m. by Reese.

2. Roll Call (Establish a Quorum)

Committee members in attendance at 8:03 am were Reese, Patrick, Payne, Lund and Kutz

Staff members in attendance at 8:03 am were Klotz, Zangl and Ehrhardt

Guests in attendance were Rick Schultz-Supervisor, Watertown Street Dept., Ed Morris-Jefferson County Board Supervisor, Mark Heal-Veolia Account Manager and Don Smith-Manager, Waste Management Deer Track Park Landfill

3. Certification of Compliance With the Open Meetings Law

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

4. Review the Agenda

No changes were proposed to the agenda.

5. Introductions

Klotz introduced Matt Zangl the new Zoning Technician to the Committee and guests. Self-introductions were by all Committee members and guests.

6. Public Comment

No public comment.

7. Communication

No communications presented.

8. Approval of Minutes – December 16, 2016

Motion by Patrick, seconded by Payne to approve the December 16, 2016 minutes as presented.

Motion carried 5-0.

9. Discussion with Possible Action-Update, Deer Track Park Landfill with Don Smith

a. 2016 Host Fee

A copy of the 2016 host fee was placed in the meeting packet for review. The host fee was \$59,365.92

b. Chart from Brian Lamers

A copy of Lamers chart was placed in the meeting packet for review. The Committee discussed the chart and host fee together because the chart showed the progression of lower host fees since 2008. Lower host fees are due to a number of reasons being economy down turn, slow recovery and more recycling.

c. Landfill Updates

Reese said the landfill complied with the DNR's request for screening on I-94. Reese and other Committee members agree that the screening calls more attention to the site than without the screen. The screening was to block the view from I-94 to the landfill.

Heal said that when you have high winds there is almost nothing you can do to stop trash blowing around a landfill site. Heal said the biggest problem is the plastic bags that are so light in weight. Klotz replied more education is needed to make residents aware that bags shouldn't be put in their recyclable bins, but returned to their local stores or most grocery stores for recycling like Walmart. Ehrhardt said that AROW has done campaigns on how to recycle plastic bags. Reese added that most farmers in Jefferson County are now recycling their ag bags. Delta Plastics, Little Rock, Arkansas is the recycler and here is their website: www.deltaplastics.com

Smith arrived at 8:40 a.m. Smith went over the host fee with the Committee and talked about the graph in their packet. On the graph you can see how host fees peaked and now are flat. Smith explained that there is a different business climate and the construction of businesses started to decline in 2008. Waste Management's business plan has changed. Market shifts have impacted the waste business and they are at the bottom, but not at rock bottom. A lot the pricing is still at the 80's

prices and has not increased.

They use vehicle shredder fluff for the landfill cover instead of clay or soil. The fluff falls into the crack of the landfill, but the soil stays on the top. Shredder fluff is down because of vehicle hoarders waiting for the steel market to go up. The company they use to get the fluff from now sends it to Iowa to be recycled again to get all the metals out. Alter Metals is the name of the business that recycles the fluff. Badgerland is a new startup trash hauler and they use the landfill in Janesville. Smith said the landfill is down 12% on revenue and Klotz said he will reflect this in the 2018 budget. Smith said he hopes that the business will get better. Smith said he is trying to get a new daily cover.

Smith explained that a condition in the landfill agreement says that they have to screen the landfill from public view of I-94. They did have a consultant do a traffic study of I-94, but the DNR still wanted the site screened. They complied with the DNR request so they wouldn't be non-compliant with DNR regulations. Smith had no complaints before the screening and hadn't had any complaints after the screening.

10. Discussion with Possible Action-Jefferson County Debris Management with Donna Haugom

a. Possible Debris sites for FEMA to approve.

Haugom is trying to get on the Monday, April 24th Towns Association to present the information on debris management. Haugom would also like Committee members to attend, to support debris management and planning. Klotz said the reason we are involved is because FEMA has to approve the collection sites for debris events that happen in the County. If the Towns have simple plans that is helpful. Schultz said they would pick up the debris in the city in case of an event. They would also help separate for proper disposal in accordance of FEMA regulations.

b. Changes or Updates to the Jefferson County Debris Management Plan

None were discussed.

11. Discussion with Possible Action-Clean Sweep for 2017

a. Work Schedule for the April 7th & April 8th Clean Sweeps.

Work schedule for April 7 & 8– John Ehrhardt tire collections, Payne tire cash box, two men from sheriff's jail for tires, Reese Clean Sweep cash box – Patrick receipts both days - Kutz receipts both days and Lund receipts on Saturday.

b. End of Years totals for 2016

Summary in Committee's packet. No further discussion.

c. Final Grant Total for 2016 and DATCP Grant for 2017

2017 grant totals: Household \$10,500, Ag \$4,130 and Drugs \$1,900 for a total of \$16,530.

2016 grant totals received: Drugs \$3,500 and Ag & Household \$19,054.25 for a total of \$22,554.25.

Heal agreed with Klotz that the grants have been going down every year. He said that more and more people are applying for grants. Some counties haven't had a Clean Sweep in years because they don't have enough funds. Heal also commented that Jefferson County runs a great program. Veolia likes that we do a Friday and Saturday; it helps cut costs.

d. Donation Updates

The donation amount is the same from the first of the year, \$2,100. Klotz and Reese explained that the City of Watertown donates \$20,000 every year for the County's Clean Sweep program. Heal left at this point.

Ehrhardt asked Rick if she could refer Rock Lake Painter to Rick for the disposal of latex paint. Rick said yes.

12. Discussion with Possible Action-Master Gardeners

a. Compost Bins – Delivery – April 12-13

The bins should be arriving between April 12 and 13. Kevin Weismann will be storing them in one of the Parks buildings.

b. Master Gardeners Request for 12 Bins

We are donating 12 bins to the Master Gardeners for school and community gardens. Fort Health Care is also supporting the Master Gardeners so the Gardeners can educate the residents and students on healthy eating which bring a healthier life style.

c. Master Gardeners Display at the Fair

The Master Gardeners will have a display at the Fair and will encourage Fair-goers to stop at our County booth so they can sign up for a free compost bin or party pop-up pack.

13. Discussion with Possible Action - Jefferson County School Garden Summit 2017: Upham Hall at UW-Whitewater, Thursday, March 9th – 3:00 p.m. Registration & Networking – 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. Program

Reese and Ehrhardt went to the summit and our display was well received. Even though most of the people were gardeners,

master gardeners, and school gardeners they took drug posters to hang in their schools and businesses. Reese said the gardeners were very concerned about drugs getting into the water streams. It was a good summit.

14. Discussion with Possible Action-Heroin Program Jefferson High School-Tuesday, March 28, 2017 6:00 p.m. Resource Fair – 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Program

Reese and Ehrhardt went to the Heroin Program at Jefferson High School and lots of people stopped at the display and took drug posters to hang at schools and businesses. Reese and Ehrhardt stayed for the program and found it to be very moving and informational. The family and presenters didn't mince words, but told the truths and consequences. Reese said it was something you didn't forget and most people at times had tears in their eyes. After the program a few more people stop at our display. We had a request for 300 drug flyers for folders they would be handing out at the Watertown Heroin Program - the same number we give to the Jefferson program.

15. Discussion with Possible Action-Update on Drug Collections and Posters

a. Additional Printing, Laminating and Distribution Costs

Costs since January: Printing \$990.00 and laminating \$334.90. We will be printing more for requests or presentations.

b. Drug News Release

Klotz put a drug news release together that was sent out to all the newspapers. This news release was included in the Committee's packet.

c. Media Pickups: Channel 4-Milwaukee and Product Stewardship Institute, Inc. – Boston

The drug news release was highlighted on Channel 4 news and the Product Stewardship Institute asked if they could put it on all their social media sites and of course we said yes. The DNR asked Ehrhardt to do a summary on how Jefferson County gets the message out on recycling drugs. They want to know now we do it with very little funds.

16. Jefferson County Fair Booth – July 12-16

We will have a display at the Jefferson County Fair Booth. Ehrhardt is working with Veterans Service Office and Haugom-Emergency Management and the County Board Chair-Jim Schroeder to put the booth together. The display needs some repairs and she will work with Yvonne Duesterhoeft on getting these done before the Fair. Ehrhardt hasn't bought the spinning wheel. Klotz explained that when we went to the Master Gardeners meeting they said the bigger the spinning wheel the better so it is more visible to the public. Ehrhardt also explained that last year she gave out candy prizes when kids played the recycling game and asked if it was ok with the committee to do candy again. The Committee said candy works. Ehrhardt will need the support of the Committee for the County Booth and the Solid Waste display. Patrick said he took vacation that week so he could be at the Jefferson County Fair booth and help with the Solid Waste display.

17. Discussion with Possible Action – Ehrhardt Summary on the 2017 WIRMC Conference

The WIRMC summary was included in the Committee's packet. The most interesting sessions were Liberty Tire and the markets updates. The markets that are doing well right now are the cardboard and mixed paper recycling. The reason for the cardboard recycling raise is due to demand from Amazon and other online sales because of their cardboard shipping packages. There is a need for glass recycling. The glass companies get mixed glass from MRFs, but often have contaminated products mixed in the glass. Schultz said he is working with John's to use glass with their gravel. John's will crush it into small particles. Schultz said they are also close to recycling furniture along with the mattresses. Y's Way Flooring will be moving to a new location and the carpet recycling will be set up at the new location. The amount of electronics being recycled has lessened since they brought the electronics inside the site and limited it to only Watertown residents. Schultz said that URT is holding their prices the same for Watertown.

18. Upcoming Meeting Dates and Possible Agenda Items.

Next meeting will be June 16, 2017. We will discuss work schedules at the Fair.

19. Adjourn

Motion made by Patrick at 9:30 a.m. to adjourn the meeting and Lund seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0.

A Quorum of any Jefferson County Committee, Board, Commission or other body, including the Jefferson County Board of Supervisors, may be present at this meeting.

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