Jefferson County Solid Waste Committee

Jefferson County Courthouse 311 S. Center Avenue, Room 205 Jefferson, WI 53549 Minutes August 3, 2021 – 8:30 a.m.

Members: Dick Schultz, Greg David, Jeff Johns, Anita Martin and Jeff Smith

Staff: Caitlin McAleavey, Matt Zangl

Place: Room 205 of the Jefferson County Courthouse, 311 S. Center Ave., Jefferson, WI

Or Via Zoom Videoconference.

Register and Join Meeting via Zoom:

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Meeting ID: 917 7426 8990

Passcode: Waste

1. Call to Order

Chairman Schultz called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

2. Roll Call (Establish a Quorum)

Solid Waste Members present in person were Dick Schultz, Anita Martin, Jeff Smith, and Jeff Johns. Member Greg David was present via Zoom. Staff members present in person were Caitlin McAleavey and Matt Zangl.

3. Certification of Compliance with the Open Meetings Law

McAleavey certified Certification of Compliance with Open Meetings Law.

4. Approval of the Agenda

Schultz approved agenda. No objections.

5. Public Comment (Not to exceed 15 minutes – Members of the public who wish to address the Committee on specific agenda items must register their request at this time)

No public comments were made.

6. Approval of Minutes - February 23rd and June 1st, 2021

Motion to approve minutes from February 23, 2021 and June 1, 2021 meetings by Johns, and seconded by Smith. Passed 5-0.

7. Communications

No communications stated.

8. Update from Refrigerant Depot

Refrigerant Depot (Mariana) was moved up in the agenda to accommodate for her schedule. McAleavey stated she was seeking input from Mariana, Matt Zangl, and committee members on getting a permanent e-waste collection site created at the City of Jefferson compost site. Mariana provided cost and logistic details for various collection containers. Smith suggested using the fairgrounds as a collection site. McAleavey said she would reach out to both the City of Jefferson and Fair Park for feasibility at both locations.

9. Discussion on Jefferson County Fair - July 7-11th, 2021

Committee members spoke favorably of the Solid Waste booth, the location, and the information shared at the County fair. Smith mentioned he would like to use real life examples next year, either at the fair or at the upcoming recycling events. Others agreed it would be worthwhile.

10. Discussion on visit to John's Disposal Municipal Recycling Facility – July 26th, 2021

Committee members enjoyed the tour of John's recycling facility. McAleavey stated she is looking to set up a tour of an electronics recycling/dismantling facility next.

11. Discussion on upcoming Drug Take Back events - August 16th and 19th, 2021

McAleavey shared details on upcoming drug take back events, August 16th at the Fort Atkinson Senior Center and August 19th at the Watertown Senior and Community Center.

12. Discussion on fall recycling events -

- a. Electronics/appliance recycling and bike drive: September 2nd, 2021
- b. Watertown Clean Sweep: Friday, September 17th and Saturday, September 18th, 2021
- c. Whitewater Clean Sweep: Friday, October 1st, 2021

McAleavey asked for volunteers at the upcoming events. Martin suggested the committee consider a way to address those who do not preregister for the Clean Sweeps and the long wait times that can result. Committee discussed how to better utilize the registration system and the pros and cons of having participants register for a specific time. McAleavey suggested seeing how the next Clean Sweep goes before making any changes to the registration process.

13. Discussion on Financial Report

McAleavey noted there have been no major changes to the financial report.

14. Discussion and Possible Action on 2022 Budget

McAleavey noted if there were projects the committee wanted to see funds allocated towards in 2022 to let her or Zangl know. Johns asked if there is room in the budget for e-waste collection trailers and McAleavey indicated there is.

15. Discussion and Possible Action on Future Projects

Johns stated he wanted to more education and outreach projects to happen semi-regularly.

16. Discussion on Creating Educational Tour Program for Residents

Schultz and Johns suggested teachers go on a tour of John's recycling facility to share information with their students. Committee brainstormed how we could facilitate this and what age group would be most preferred. Schultz suggested surveying the teachers for their interest in taking a tour. McAleavey stated she would reach out to curriculum directors for various school districts.

17. Discussion on Air Quality

McAleavey asked what goals the committee has for educating residents on air quality. Martin stated she wants to provide updated content for the website.

18. Update from Veolia

Allan Kountz provided an update from Veolia. He stated he would like to know how much hazardous material Watertown has already collected at their Street Department.

19. Update from the City of Watertown

No update provided.

20. Update from the Town of Ixonia

Vic Karaliunas provided an update. Related to the county bike drive coming up, he stated he the Ixonia/Concord transfer station does accept bikes from any county resident, not just residents from the Town of Ixonia or Town of Concord. No other updates.

21. Update from Deer Track Park Landfill

No update provided.

22. Upcoming Meeting Dates and Possible Agenda Items

- a. Upcoming meeting: Tuesday, October 5th, 8:30AM
- b. Possible agenda items: Additional tire recycling opportunities
- c. Future clean up events for tire dump sites

23. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 9:40 by Johns, seconded by Smith. Passed 5-0.

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