Jefferson County Solid Waste Committee

Jefferson County Courthouse 311 S. Center Avenue, Room 205 Jefferson, WI 53549 Minutes February 1st, 2022 – 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:

https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJUqcO2qq DMjE9QtCa6J2E56uD7KNYKfUDUV

Meeting ID: 917 7426 8990

Passcode: Waste

1. Call to Order

Chairman Schultz called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

2. Roll Call (Establish a Quorum)

Solid Waste Members present in person were Dick Schultz, Anita Martin, and Jeff Johns. Members Greg David and Jeff Smith were present via Zoom. Solid Waste staff members present in person were Caitlin McAleavey and Matt Zangl. County Board Member Kirk Lund joined via Zoom. Frankie Fuller, Joan Callahan, and Michael Hellerson joined via Zoom.

3. Certification of Compliance with the Open Meetings Law

McAleavey certified compliance.

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)

Thomas Steinbach of W20 N10609 Hilltop Drive, Germantown, Wisconsin submitted public comment on large farming operations in Jefferson County and the state of Wisconsin. See file for written statement.

6. Approval of Minutes - October 5, 2021

Motion to approve minutes from December 7, 2021 motioned by Johns and seconded by Smith. **No objections. Passed 5-0.**

7. Communications

No communications stated.

8. Update from Veolia

Dates for Clean Sweeps in 2022 finalized. No other updates to report.

9. Update from Refrigerant Depot

Dates for recycling events in 2022 finalized. No other updates to report.

10. Update from the City of Watertown

No updates provided.

11. Update from the Town of Ixonia

No updates provided.

12. Update from Deer Track Park Landfill

No updates to share.

13. Update on Upcoming Clean Sweep/Electronics Recycling Event – Volunteers Needed!

- a. Friday, April 8th from 2:00 5:30 p.m. at Jefferson Fairgrounds
- b. Saturday, April 9th from 7:30 10:00 a.m. at Jefferson Fairgrounds

McAleavey stated she is looking utilize committee members to help at the upcoming Clean Sweeps, especially for Saturday, April 9th because of the combined collection. A potential layout and additional details of the event were discussed. Pre-registration for the event is still required.

14. Update on 2022 Solid Waste Donation Letter

McAleavey stated the 2022 donation letter has been sent out to Towns and businesses. Martin requested a copy of the letter so she could send it out to additional parties.

15. Discussion and Possible Action on Tire Recycling Pricing for 2022 Clean Sweep

McAleavey requested committee input on keeping or raising current tire pricing the County charges at the Clean Sweeps. Tire prices have been raised from last year by our vendor. Smith asked if we have considered other vendors for disposal. McAleavey stated she had not as we currently use a vendor approved by the county but would look into it. Martin motioned to keep the current pricing this year, and reevaluate next year's pricing depending on funds utilized at April's collection. Johns seconded. Approved 5-0.

16. Discussion on Air Quality

Zangl stated since our last Solid Waste Committee meeting we have started an internal discussion on the topic with other County departments. Connecting with the DNR is our next step, specifically getting questions answered on how they regulate air quality and/or discussing a possible partnership for further air monitoring. Zangl stated internal staff will gather information and bring it to the committee for further discussion and evaluate options. Martin motioned the staff get clarification from the DNR on when a farming operation needs an air permit and how that process works. Johns seconded. Approved 5-0.

17. Discussion on Agricultural Plastics Recycling

McAleavey stated she has started to look into on the county's background with recycling agricultural plastics, specifically with Revolution Plastics. McAleavey brought up Clark County's new pilot program that she will reach out to Extension staff about. Martin brought up information she found stating 95 farms in Dodge County are recycling agricultural plastics and 142 farms in Dane County. McAleavey stated she would continue to get more information and report findings.

18. Upcoming Meeting Dates and Possible Agenda Items

a. Upcoming meeting: Tuesday, April 5th, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.

19. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 9:20 a.m. by Johns, seconded by Martin. Passed 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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