

Jefferson County Solid Waste Committee

Jefferson County Highway Department

1425 Wisconsin Drive

Jefferson, WI 53549

Minutes

October 20, 2022 - 8:30 a.m.

Members: Jeff Johns-Chair, Anita Martin-Vice Chair, Joan Callan, Robert Preuss, and Mark Groose

1. Call to Order

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

2. Roll Call (Establish a Quorum)

- All Solid Waste Committee members present. Also present were Supervisor Meg Turville-Heitz, County Administrator Ben Wehmeier, Assistant Corporation Counsel Whitney DeVoe, Health Department Director Elizabeth Chilsen, Land and Water Conservation Director Patricia Cicero, Resource Conservationists Joe Strupp and Dave Hoffman. Members of the public present were Weenonah Brattset, Katy Katzman, Sue and Mike Dettmann, Cole Ciochoer, and Keith Kulow. Present on Zoom were Stacy Winkelman, Kim Naber, Leslie Ott, Frankie Fuller, and Katie Lembrich.

3. Certification of Compliance with the Open Meetings Law

- Zangl certified compliance with the open meeting law.

4. Approval of the Agenda

- No amendments to the agenda were proposed.

5. Public Comment

- Weenonah Brattset of Palmyra spoke about the avian flu outbreak at the chicken farm in Cold Spring and how it was handled by the County.
- Supervisor Martin made a comment about the upcoming DNR Air Management meeting

6. Approval of Minutes from August 24, 2022

- Motion of approval made by Callan, seconded by Martin. Motion passed 5-0 by voice vote.

7. Approval of July 20, 2022 Meeting Minutes of Joint Committees (Board of Health, Executive Committee, Land and Water Conservation, Planning and Zoning, and Solid Waste)

- Martin proposed an amendment to add a summary of public comments from the July 20th meeting. Motion to approve minutes with amendment made by Callan, seconded by Johns. Passed 4-1 by voice vote. The amendment will be sent to the other committees involved.

8. Communications

- None

9. Update from Veolia

- None

10. Update from Refrigerant Depot

- None

11. Update from City of Watertown

- Stacy Winkleman reported that she is the new interim Street Superintendent. She also reported that the Clean Sweep event on September 16 and 17 went well from the city's perspective.

12. Town of Ixonia

- None

13. Update from Deer Track Park Landfill

- Did not attend due to state inspection.

14. Update on Spring 2022 Clean Sweep/Electronics Recycling Events – Participation Survey

a. Past events:

- Clean Sweep & Electronics/Appliance Recycling Event: Friday April 8th and Saturday April 9th at Jefferson County Fair Park – Zumstein reported that there were 324 participants
- Clean Sweep: Friday September 16th and Saturday September 17th at Watertown Street Department – Zumstein reported that there were 176 participants
- Clean Sweep: Friday October 7th at Whitewater Public Works Complex – Zumstein reported that there were 82 participants and that participants were confused about what items could be brought to the event due to the flier created by Walworth County

b. Upcoming event:

- Electronics/Appliance Recycling Event: Saturday October 22nd at the Jefferson County Fair Park (10 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.)

15. Update on Drug Take Back Program – Spring DOJ Collection Event Totals

- Zumstein reported that Jefferson County was credited with collecting 1,402.7 lbs. during the April 30th event, and statewide totals for the event were 59,840 lbs. Zangl also noted that the next collection event is October 29th.

16. Discussion and Possible Action on Air, Surface Water, Groundwater, and Health Concerns Relating to Animal Operations and their Regulation

- County Administrator Wehmeier provided an overview on the process and what has occurred to date and the Committee discussed in the previous meetings. The Committee discussed high-capacity wells, groundwater, composting of chickens and other farm related animals, avian flu, and headland stacking of chicken manure.
- Martin motioned to research an ordinance for composting animal waste and mortality of poultry and other livestock, seconded by Callan. Passed 4-1 by voice vote.
- Martin made a motion to support the research and previous motions made by Land and Water Conservation and Board of Health. Motion by Callan. Passed 5-0 by voice vote.

17. Discussion on Ag Waste

- Goose spoke about a place in Madison that recycles animal feed plastic.

18. Discussion and Possible Action on 2023 Electronic & Appliance Recycling Events

- Zumstein recommended Resource Solutions Corp. in Madison for 2023 Electronics and Recycling events. The Committee supported the recommendation and would like to invite Resource Solutions Corp. to the next Committee meeting.

19. Discussion on Possible Permanent Sites in County for Collection of Hazardous Waste-Recyclable Items

- a. Discussed looking into holding more Clean Sweep events versus permanent collection site due to cost concerns.

20. Upcoming Meeting Dates and Possible Agenda Items

- a. Upcoming Meeting on November 9th was cancelled; next meeting will be January 11, 2023
 - i. Possible Agenda Items include 2023 advertising of events
- b. Possible additional waste collection events
 - Zumstein reported that he has had discussions with 7 Rivers Mattress Recycling about setting up an event in 2023

21. Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn by Goose, seconded by Martin. Passed 5-0.

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