Jefferson County Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee



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

March 16, 2018 - 8:00 a.m.

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

Staff: Sharon Ehrhardt, Sarah Higgins and Matt Zangl

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Reese.

2. Roll Call (Establish a Quorum)

Committee members in attendance at 8:00 a.m. were Reese, Lund, Patrick and Kutz. Payne arrived at 8:08 a.m.

Guests in attendance at 8:00 a.m. were Rick Schultz-Street Superintend City of Watertown, Don Smith-Manager of Waste Management Deer Track Park Landfill, Ben Wehmeier-County Administrator, Blair Ward-Corporation Counsel, Vic Karaliunas-Recycling Manager Town of Ixonia, Janet & Jerry Foust-Town of Ixonia, Bob & Sandy Lacourciera-Oconomowoc, John Mueller-Veolia, Kevin & Brad Griswold-Tag Lane Dairy Farm Town of Ixonia, and Steve Sharp-Watertown Daily Times

Staff members in attendance at 8:00 a.m. were Higgins, Zangl and Ehrhardt

3. Certification of Compliance With the Open Meetings Law

Zangl 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

Introductions were made by Reese.

6. Public Comment (Members of the public who wish to address the Committee on specific agenda items must register their request at this time)
None

7. Communication

Resource Recycling magazines were available to Committee members.

8. Approval of Minutes – December 8, 2017

Motion made by Patrick, seconded by Kutz to approve the December 8, 2017 minutes as presented.

Motion carried 4-0.

9. Presentation by Janet Foust on Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations (CAFOs)

Foust had handouts for the Committee: "<u>Understanding Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations and Their Impact on Communities</u>", "<u>Fact Sheet-CAFOs</u>" and a folder with additional information about CAFOs. Foust explained the odor problem coming from the large farm across from their home is when the wind blows from the east. Foust asked the Committee if there were any actions or support they could take to help limit odor/air problems from large CAFOs? Reese explained that the Committee had no ordinances that would allow them to take any action. The Committee is not the governing agent for CAFOs. Foust said that they are not trying to stop CAFOs, but improve the air and living conditions for residents around CAFOs. Foust asked that in the near future the Committee would consider or seek a possibility of helping with air problems from large CAFOs. Foust thanked the Committee for lessening to her concerns.

10. Discussion and Possible Action-Deer Track Park Landfill with Don Smith

- a. Landfill Updates
- b. Smith brought the host fee checks from the landfill for the Town of Farmington and the Jefferson County Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee. Smith also gave the Committee a summary of the host fees for 2017 and past years.

Smith said in 2018 the landfill will be laying 4 acres of liner and 10 acres of cover. Reese asked if the Committee could have a tour of the landfill and Smith said we could discuss it at the June meeting. Smith said we could schedule a meeting at his site and he would supply a bus and invite all County Board members. Smith also explained that the screening fence was placed by the request of the DNR because the action area on the landfill was within a 1,000 feet of I-94. Reese asked if the air monitors were on a scheduled monthly review. The gas engine plant runs 24/7. The six engines make enough energy for 4,000 homes. They monitor the stacks & exhaust pipes from the engine plant. They also test the efficiency of the collected gas on the ground which is 120 acres. Karaliunas asked about the generator hits and how they correct the hit problem. Smith explained. Reese asked what is the life expectancy of the landfill and Smith replied 20 years. The reason the landfill has had a longer life is because of more recycling, items banned from the landfill and the economy. Another reason is

that they fill the landfill box better than before.

- Discussion and Possible Action-Updates from Ixonia and Watertown Recycling
 - a. Watertown has budgeted \$20,000 for 2018 Clean Sweep September 21 & 22 in Watertown
 - b. Schultz Information

Karaliunas & Schultz both stopped taking latex paint at their sites. Town of Ixonia piggy-backs with Watertown for mattress and carpet recycling.

Reese presented Richard Schultz with the Clean Sweep Merit Award. The plaque read, "Rick gives unwavering support, never backing away from new ideas while working hard to achieve them as a champion of the Jefferson County Clean Sweep Program."

Rick thanked the Committee for the award and Reese explained some of the recycling programs that Rick implemented in the City of Watertown. Rick said by expanding the program they went from 1,600 ton to 3,000 ton to increase this year to 4,600 ton, because they added recycled glass to their coarse gravel mix for the roads. Rick also thanked Ehrhardt for the help and support she gave to his City and the County. Karaliunas said it is wonderful to piggy back on the programs that Watertown has and without the Watertown support they could not offer the types of recycling they have at the transfer station. Karaliunas also said they could not ask for a better person than Rick to work with and his support for their small town programs has been unlimited. Reese also explained how well the Clean Sweep is run because of Rick's help in Watertown. Mueller also said that Veolia appreciates all the help that they get from Rick. Rick said that the programs are as good as the people you work with.

12. Discussion and Possible Action-Clean Sweeps for 2018

a. Next Clean Sweep April 6 & 7, 2018

Ehrhardt said the Clean Sweep is ready to go. Ehrhardt needs Committee members to work at the Clean Sweep for the 6th & 7th. Ehrhardt was going to call the Sheriff to see if we could use two people from the Huber program for the tire recycling. Ehrhardt said she might be able to get her husband to volunteer again.

Reese - Friday & Saturday

Payne - Saturday

Patrick - Friday & Saturday

Lund – Saturday

Kutz – Saturday – Might bring wife again to help with the tires.

b. Donation Updates

No questions on the donations.

c. Village of Palmyra Letter & Phone Call Mike Burow

A letter from the Village of Palmyra said they will no longer contribute to the Clean Sweep program.

Mike Burow-Supervisor Town of Aztalan said he checked with the Towns Association, and someone from Towns Association told him that Towns could not make donations. If we assess a fee or charge, then that they could pay. Ehrhardt didn't know if we could assess a fee for the Clean Sweep Program and suggested that we change the wording in our letter by not using "donation". Ehrhardt said that about half the Towns make a donation and the other monies comes from businesses and residents. Reese said we charge all residents a fee of \$10 to come to our Clean Sweep event and if a Town doesn't want to make a donation that is ok.

d. Insurance Coverage Clean Sweeps

At the WIRMC (Wisconsin Integrated Recycling Management Conference) they made a big issue that with events such as Clean Sweeps we should make sure that we are properly insured. Zangl brought this to the attention of Wehmeier and Ward. Ward said that County Board & County employees are covered. We have all volunteers sign a waiver. Ward said we have a good policy and that we should be insured. Ehrhardt asked Mueller what Veolia has for insurance at an event. Mueller said Veolia is covered for their actions. Veolia is all about safety and keeping the residents in their vehicles and not allowing residents beyond taped lines. Wehmeier said that they would look into it.

e. Inviting Local Legislators to April Clean Sweep

Ehrhardt asked Reese if she could use his name and signature on the invitation to the legislators and he said yes. Reese & Ehrhardt were hoping legislators would come to see what a Clean Sweep is all about. Reese said that Senator Nass had attended a Clean Sweep and when Jorgensen was a representative he worked Clean Sweep and took surveys. Both the legislators were very surprised by the number of residents that participated and the amount of chemicals brought in.

13. Discussion and Possible Action - Drug Collection Updates

a. Jefferson County Drug Collation - Drug Drop Box Johnson Creek Police Department

In the Committees packet were pictures of the new drug drop-off box. Reese attended the delivery of the drug drop-box made for the Johnson Creek Police Department by JWR Inc. The Jefferson County Drug Coalition wrote a grant and received \$700 for the drug box and the Solid Waste Committee paid the additional \$300 because the total cost was \$1,000. Others in attendance were Emi Reiner & Craig Holler from the Jefferson County Drug Coalition, Police Chief Bleecker and Cory Gardner & Craig Henning from JWR Inc. Reese pointed out that the color of the

drug drop-off box is black/white like the old police cars. Ehrhardt will send a release to the local newspapers.

b. Jefferson County Drug Coalition - Pouches for Drug Disposal.

Ehrhardt had an example of the drug disposal pouch purchased by the Drug Coalition. The Coalition has placed some of these pouches at the local pharmacies. Jefferson County Visiting Nurses hand them out to some of their clients. They are trying to reach residents who have no means of getting to a drug drop-off site. Ehrhardt said that the best drug disposal is still with the drug drop-off sites at law enforcement agencies; all these medications get incinerated which is the proper disposal method. Ehrhardt understands that there is a need for the pouches in some cases. Mueller said the DEA rules are that the drugs need to be unusable and the best way for this is incineration. Lund said just because the drug is rendered unusable doesn't mean that it is inert and that is why incineration is the best.

c. Drug Collection Information From 2008-2017

Ehrhardt said the information was in the Committee's packet. The State of Wisconsin ranks third in the country for volume of drugs collected and disposed.

Jefferson County last fall collected 1,200 pounds of drugs and Milwaukee County only collected 2,000 pounds, so the residents of Jefferson County are doing a very good job on drug disposal.

d. Clean Sweep Program Merit Award for the Sheriff's Office & Police Department

Ehrhardt asked the Committee if they want to give all the Police Departments and Sheriff's Office the Clean Sweep Merit Award. The Committee said yes.

e. County Board Resolutions for Merit Awards

Ehrhardt also asked the Committee if they wanted the award in the form of a County Board resolution? The Committee agreed to do a resolution.

Patrick made a motion for Ehrhardt to write a resolution and have it approved by Reese and Zangl and with their approval, send it on to the appropriate Committee so it can be presented at the County Board Meeting. Kutz seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0

14. Discussion and Possible Action – 2018 SB733/AB914 Electronic Waste Recycling Program

a. Need Letter of Support

The Committee could send a letter of support of SB733/AB914, which changes the Electronic Waste Recycling Program (E-cycle).

In the future if we draft a letter we need to send it to the Administration and Rules/ICC Committee per Wehmeier.

Payne made a motion to send a letter of support to Senator Mark Miller & Senator Robert Cowles and our local legislator upon approval by the Administration and Rules Committee. This was seconded by Patrick.

Motion carried 5-0.

15. Discussion and Possible Action – DNR Storm Debris Summary – Ehrhardt

We had 22 people come to the meeting. Casey Lamensky-DNR was going to send a copy of her presentation to Ehrhardt to pass on to everyone in attendance, but Ehrhardt hasn't received it yet. She will email Casey a reminder for her presentation. Ehrhardt said the DNR Storm Debris information from the DNR is simple to follow and would be easy for the Towns, Cities and Villages to put in place. Ehrhardt said that Michelle Staff-DNR also explained to the group that being prepared is necessary when you have a disaster. Staff showed some pictures of the disasters she has visited in the state. Staff explained most people don't have a plan or an idea on what to do. Schultz said that everyone should make sure that their equipment rates are approved by their council or committee. The rates should be determined by state or federal rates. If you have this in place, FEMA will accept these rates and if you don't have them in place, they will assign rates which could be lower than state or federal equipment rates. Also you might want to get a burn permit from the DNR. Some times when a disaster hits it is impossible to recycle all the down brush and trees.

Discussion and Possible Action – AROW (Associated Recyclers of Wisconsin), SWANA (Wisconsin Badger Chapter-Solid Waste Association of North America) and WCSWMA (WI Counties Solid Waste Management Association) Conference Updates – Ehrhardt

a. www.becomingstewards.org - Public TV project for AROW, SWANA and WCSWMA

Ehrhardt explained that this is a chance to us to get involved with an educational program emphasizing recycling in the midwest including Wisconsin & Minnesota. She asked the Committee if they would like to make a donation to this state project. Zangl will check our budget and we will put this on the next agenda.

b. WCSWMA – The need for County involvement – New Website: www.wcswma.org

Ehrhardt told the Committee that WCSWMA would like more County involvement and said we are members of this group and they would like more people involved. Patrick said that Ehrhardt should assist a member to get involved with WCSWMA. Ehrhardt will contact WCSWMA and ask what Jefferson County can do to become an active member of WCSWMA.

c. Christy Dixon Award - Ehrhardt

Ehrhardt received this award at the 2018 WIRMC and it was truly an honor. Schultz knew about the award and was very excited that Ehrhardt

received it.

d. WCSWMA Scholarships available on line.

Ehrhardt wanted to let everyone know that their scholarships are available on line. So spread the word.

e. 2019 WIRMC - Holiday Inn - Stevens Point

The WIRMC will be held in Stevens Point next year. The dates are February 27th to March 1, 2019

- 17. Discussion and Possible Action Updates for AROW Product Stewardship Conference Call and WI Council on Recycling Meeting
 - a. National Sword China "Implementation Plan for Prohibiting the Entry of Foreign Garbage and Advancing the Reform of the Solid Waste Management Measures"

Ehrhardt said China use to be the dumping station for the Unites States and other countries when recyclers couldn't find anyone else to take mixed paper and plastics. China now wants these items to be cleaned and separated. China is trying to be more sustainable and clean up their own country's environment. WI Council on Recycling and AROW thinks this might be an opportunity for our own county or state to start businesses that process our own products from recyclers. If MRFs (Materials Recovery Facility) were to slow down their process this could bring a cleaner end product. In the next months and years we will be hearing a lot more about the National Sword.

Smith said now that China's economy has grown they have their own materials to recycle and aren't as dependent on other countries

materials. Smith told the committee if loads are rejected by China the waste company has to pay for the return shipment. He thinks the United States has been soft on developing products from our recycled materials. Moving materials out of the country was easier than developing our own businesses.

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18. Discussion and Possible Action – Compost Bins & Party/Camping Pop-Ups

The compost bins have been ordered and we should receive delivery in April. Ehrhardt said that the Committee wanted her to attend the Dairy Breakfast and we would have enough compost bins to give-a-way some at the May 19 dairy breakfast. The Master Gardeners said they will take five to support the community gardens and school gardens. They will support us again at the fair. The Committee agreed that Ehrhardt can have drawings for five compost bins.

- 19. Discussion and Possible Action Carton Recycling Fort Atkinson School District and Jefferson Ehrhardt said the Outagamie County hands out our recycling posters instead of just carton recycling posters. Ehrhardt contacted Jefferson School District and they are recycling cartons in the grade schools, but not the middle and high school. Jefferson Schools said they would take pails, strainers and posters for the middle and high school. They also said Ehrhardt could include them in an article about carton recycling in the schools. Ehrhardt was asked if Fort Atkinson schools have started their carton recycling and she has no idea. The Committee wanted to know what other schools were interested. The Committee suggested Ehrhardt contact Watertown, Johnson Creek, Ixonia, Lake Mills, and Cambridge school districts. Ehrhardt told the Committee she thinks Ixonia is already recycling cartons and Karaliunas agreed.
- 20. Jefferson County Elections Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee

Ehrhardt said the Committee needs to sell themselves. The residents of Jefferson County don't know what the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee does. So tell residents about Clean Sweeps, Drug Drop-Off Boxes, Carton Recycling and Recycling Events. Reese said that this is a hardworking and fun Committee; so let the residents of Jefferson County know. Ehrhardt said with elections coming up it is a good time to let interviewers know what your work in the County is all about.

21. Upcoming Meeting Dates and Possible Agenda Items.

Check budget for educational spending.

22. Adjourn

Motion made by Payne and seconded by Lund to adjourn the Solid Waste/Air Quality meeting at 10:30 a.m. *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.

Individuals requiring special accommodations for attendance at the meeting should contact the County Administrator 24 hours prior to the meeting at 920-674-7101 so appropriate arrangements can be made.

SOLID WASTE/AIR QUALITY COMMITTEE Item 13 (a) Clean Sweep Summary

Clean Sweep Summar April 6 & 7, 2018

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

Staff: Sharon Ehrhardt and Sarah Higgins

Volunteers: Karen Kutz, John Ehrhardt, Danielle Gardner and Benjamin Paulowski

Veolia Environmental Services: Friday: Team Leader Chris Bahlow, Ken Gruennert, Dennis Smith, Paul Meer, Nic Halverson, Kyle VanderWyst, Kahvyn Zaire, Brett Harto, Rik Meyer, Tim Franken. Saturday: Team Leader Chris Bahlow, Dennis Smith, Ken Gruennert, Paul Meer, Nic Halverson, Kyle VanderWyst, Kahvyn Zaire, Allison Fitlaff and Demi Fohl.

No meeting was called to order or business conducted on April 6 & 7, 2018 Clean Sweep events at the Jefferson County Fair Park, 503 N. Jackson Avenue, Jefferson, WI 53549

1. Clean Sweep Event Operation

A. Place: Jefferson County Fair Park, 503 N. Jackson Avenue, Jefferson, WI

Directions: Facility located at the Jefferson County Fair Park, 3 ½ blocks north of W. Racine Street (US Highway 18) on N. Jackson Avenue and 4 ½ blocks west of Main Street (State Road 26) on W. Puerner Street.

B. Time: The staff, Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee and volunteers arrival times: 2:15 p.m. on Friday, April 6, 2018 7:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 7, 2018 All volunteers need to sign in.

C. Tires: We collected tires on both days. The location for the tire disposal was at the Cleary Building by Gate 3. 30 residents brought 7.22 ton of tires (over 300 tires). The total fee we collected for disposal from residents was \$1,482. Liberty Tire Recycling invoiced us for \$1,425.23. The difference is \$56.77.

D. Safely Meeting:

Veolia Project Manager Chris Bahlow conducted a safety meeting for all Committee members, staff, and volunteers on Friday at 2:15 p.m. and on Saturday at 7:30 a.m. He explained the safety procedures that need to be followed at a Clean Sweep event. After he was done, Sharon explained the jobs to the volunteers and Committee members; jobs then were assigned.

E. Dress Requirements:

Dress requirements are no sandals, open toed shoes or shorts. Dress appropriately for weather conditions.

Everything was in place at least 15 minutes before starting time each day and we immediately started putting cars though the event. At this time we already had three businesses and two farms in line.

The results of our Clean Sweep event:

175 Jefferson County Clean Sweep Participants which included:

111 households, 18 farms, 7 businesses, 1 county facilities and 38 that were not surveyed.

30 residents participated in the tire recycling: 2 just brought tires/18 participated with tires and Clean Sweep. Most of the residents who brought tires did not register.

The 8 businesses were:

April 6th – Lake Mills Family Dental – Jackie – 920-648-8254

April 6th – Baseman Bros. Inc. – Katie – gym@basemanbros.com - 920-261-4800

April 6th – Pioneer Roofing – Ryan – info@pioneerroofing.net - 920-988-9465

April 6th - Locker - Nancy Hubacher - 920-648-6600

April 6th – City of Watertown Water Plant - Ann French – afrench@ci-watertown.wi.us - 920-262-4085

April 6th – JD Environmental LLC – Jamie Branton – <u>jdenvironmentalllc@sbcgobal.net</u> - 262-749-0722

April 6th - County Wood Floor - Mike Kuchen - 920-723-5100

April 6th - Jefferson County Parks - Kevin W.

April 7th – Watson Ace Hardware – Brian Watson - <u>bwatson@watsonacehardware.com</u> - 920-648-6489 Cancelled

All businesses attend except Watson who cancelled.

We received \$60 in donations.

The cost of the Household Waste was \$24,798.93, Pharmaceutical Waste None, County Facilities Parks \$510.00, Fair Park \$8.28, Sheriff's Office \$175.00 and Watertown Water Department \$241.00. Ag Waste \$5,835.60. For a total cost of \$31,568.81

The total pounds of Household Waste was 19,221#, Ag Waste was 7,882# and VSQG waste was 2,111# for a total of 29,214 pounds

Attached is the Survey worksheet for 162 residents:

We will be discussing Clean Sweep at our next Solid Waste meeting June 15, 2018.

8. Adjourn

The Clean Sweep ended at 10:30 p.m. Veolia left the site at 12:30 p.m.

Communities: Total 175

Towns		Towns		Villages	
Aztalan	6	Palmyra	3	Cambridge	0
Clyman	0	Sullivan	4	Clyman	0
Cold Spring	2	Sumner	1	Johnson Creel	¢ 9
Concord	2	Waterloo	1	Lac La Belle	0
Farmington	8	Watertown	4	Palmyra	4
Hebron	1	Cities		Sullivan	0
Ixonia	7	Fort Atkinson	24		
Jefferson	8	Jefferson	8		
Koshkonong	6	Lake Mills	7		
Lake Mills	6	Waterloo	2		
Milford	2	Watertown	9		
Oakland	10	Whitewater	2		
Farmington Hebron Ixonia Jefferson Koshkonong Lake Mills Milford	1 7 8 6 6 2	Watertown Cities Fort Atkinson Jefferson Lake Mills Waterloo Watertown	8 7 2	Palmyra	0 4 0

Farms 18 Households 111 Business 7 County Facilities 1

Type of Farms: (5)Crop, (1)Crop/Beef, (2)Beef, (4)Dairy/Crop, (3)Hobby,

(1)Hog, (2)Product/Flower/Fruit,

Tires30

Newspaper/Flyer 492 Pharmacy 0 Cable TV 0 Radio 2 Internet 26
Facebook 2 Town/City/Village 10 Courthouse 4 Word of Mouth 1
Relative/Friend/Neighbor 3 Police/Fire Depts. 0 Known (Participated Before) 35 Menards 1 Fort Chamber 1 Advanced 2 John's Disposal 1
Credit Union 1 Mailing 3

Used Service Before

Yes 80 No 57

Brought Tires 30

Do you know about our drug drop-off sites?

<u>Yes 105</u> <u>No 32</u>

Have you taken drugs to one of our sites?

Yes 51 No 86

The reasons residents give for not using is the sites, but know about them is:

- 1. Used drugs don't have leftovers
- 2. Don't take drugs
- 3. Didn't know that they could bring over-the-counter drugs and vitamins
- 4. Didn't know they could bring pet medicines

Donations + Receipts

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			Receipt_A	Donations -	State Aid	Deer Track	Public Charges	Charges	Recycling	
Date	Rect	Name	mount	Unrestricted	(Grants)	Park Host Fee	(Clean Sweep)	(Watertown Fee)	Material (URT)	Totals
				7109.485100.0	7109.421001.0	7109.451009.0	7109.458011.0	7109.472007.0	7109.486014.0	
2018-01-02		Town Of Oakland	500	500						500
2018-01-04		Town Of Cold Spring	200	200						200
2018-01-08	935	Tuttles Pharmacy, Inc.	100	100						100
2018-01-09	936	Town Of Jefferson	400	400						400
2018-01-15	937	Town Of Lake Mills	1000	1000						1000
2018-01-16	938	Town Of Waterloo	250	250						250
2018-02-22	939	United Cooperative	100	100						100
2018-03-16	940	Waste Management	61282.47			61282.47				61282.47
2018-04-09	941	Rodney L Koeppel	46				46			46
2018-04-09	942	Glenn & Mary Rummler	272				272			272
2018-04-09	943	Ione & Kenneth Schopen	87				87			87
2018-04-09	944	Robert J Thomasen - Farm	25				25			25 22
2018-04-09	945	Walter M Christensen	22				22			22
2018-04-09	946	Floyd & Bernice Sukow	37				37			37
2018-04-09	947	Daniel P & Tammy J Huck	24				24			24
2018-04-09	948	Krause Real Estate Inc	120				120			120
2018-04-09	949	Ah & Ka Sillman	6				6			6
2018-04-09	950	Joyce Lehmann	20	10			10			20
2018-04-09	951	Walter M Christensen	60	50			10			60
2018-04-09	952	Chad A Raduechel	90				90			90
2018-04-09	953	Stephen & Mary Benson	10				10			10
2018-04-09	954	Cathy Lake & Robert Dehnert	10				10			10
2018-04-09	955	Debbie Baumann	10				10			10
2018-04-09	956	Julie M Makhtar	10				10			10
2018-04-09	957	Douglas Lundbery & Carolyn Doyle	10				10			10
2018-04-09	958	Rev Charles Iles & Sharyl Iles	10				10			10
		Dwayne Johnson - Rebecca Stark-								
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2018-04-09	961	Cynthia M Haas	10			10		10
2018-04-09		Erin K Harkness	10			10		10
2018-04-09	963	Alan & Teresa Brawders	10			10		10
2018-04-09	964	Paul Or Catherine Davis	10			10		10
2018-04-09	965	Ione Or Kenneth Schopen	10			10		10
2018-04-09	966	Jaynne Leverentz	* 10			10		10
2018-04-09	967	Paula Mantgomery	10			10		10
2018-04-09	968	Gladys A Vogel	10			10		10
2018-04-09	969	Richard & Deborah Kucken	10			10		10
2018-04-09	970	Kathleen & George O-hearn	10			10		10
2018-04-09	971	Randall G Or Sherry L Golz	10			10		10
2018-04-09	972	Darryl & Donna Hartwig	10			10		10
2018-04-09	973	Robert Or Pamela Hill	10			10		10
2018-04-09	974	Randy Hestekin & Debra Diechler	10			10		10
2018-04-09	975	Stritzel Rental Properties Llc	65			65		65
2018-04-09	976	Mark The Plumber Llc	200			200		200
2018-04-09	977	Mark The Plumber	120			120		120
2018-04-09	978	Clean Sweep	2			2		2
2018-04-09	979	Clean Sweep	42			42		42
2018-04-09	980	Clean Sweep	240			240		240
2018-04-09	981	Clean Sweep	510			510		510
2018-04-09	982	Clean Sweep	1000			1000		1000
2018-04-09	983	Clean Sweep	50			50		50
2018-05-18	984	City Of Watertown	241				241	241
05/31/2018		County Treasurer's Receipt#	67331.47	2610	61282.47	3198	241	67331.47
		Total Deposit	67331.47					

Item 13(c)



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Jefferson County

ZONING & SANITATION DEPARTMENT CLEAN SWEEP/RECYCLING PROGRAMS

COURTHOUSE, 311 S. CENTER AVENUE, JEFFERSON, WI 53549 ROOM 201 PHONE 920-674-7430 FAX 920-674-7525 May 21, 2018

Dear Healthy Communities Designation Program:

I write on behalf of Jefferson County Clean Sweep and the Drug Take Back program, in support of Get Healthy Watertown community coalition co-application for the Healthy Community Designation Program. We strongly support the City of Watertown's work and intend to continue to focus on increasing the health and well-being of all those living in Jefferson County by increasing delivery of evidence-based interventions, such as Community Clean Sweep and Drug Take back Programs.

As a network of organizations; Jefferson County Clean Sweep and the Drug Take Back program has been working under the guidance of Jefferson County Health Department, City of Watertown Health Department, City of Watertown Street Department, Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, Fort Healthcare, Rock River Free Clinic and the Watertown Memorial Hospital to insure that our programs provide a healthy environment and safe homes because of proper disposal of drugs and chemicals. We understand that we can accomplish more, faster by continuing to partner with other community organizations.

Through this letter, we acknowledge our role in forming a genuine partnership as well as leadership to continue the work to improve the health of our community. On November 10, 2015 we honored the City of Watertown, Department of Public Health with the Jefferson County Clean Sweep Program Award. This award was for the unwavering support of the Pharmaceutical Take-Back and Clean Sweep Programs. On June 15, 2018 we honored Richard Schultz - Street Supervisor, City of Watertown for his unwavering support, never backing away from new ideas while working hard to achieve them as a champion of the Jefferson County Clean Sweep Program. On February, 22, 2018 - I was honored with the prestigious Christy Dixon Recycler of the year award from Associated Recyclers of Wisconsin. The award was given to me because of the work I have done in Jefferson County and AROW by enhancing the recycling and drug take back programs.

We look forward to the opportunity continue to support the positive and progressive work being undertaken in Jefferson County; while at the same time strengthening a plan targeted at improving health outcomes in our community and becoming the healthiest county in the state.

Sincerely,

Sharon Ehrhardt

Clean Sweep Specialist

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May 21, 2018

Ann McCall

Communication and Project Manager

WHCD Project

Dear Director of WHCD.

I write on behalf of Jefferson County Clean Sweep and the Drug Take Back program, in support of the Jefferson County Thrives – A Healthy Community Collaborative, proposal to the Match Group, University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute for Wisconsin Healthy Communities Designation- Gold Level Application. We strongly support this group's work and intend to continue to focus on increasing the health and well-being of all those living in Jefferson County by increasing delivery of evidence-based interventions.

As a network of organizations, Jefferson County Thrives – A Healthy Community Collaborative has been working under the guidance of Jefferson County Health Department, Fort Healthcare, Rock River Free Clinic and the Community Dental Clinic, across Jefferson County, including our Clean Sweep program. We understand that we can accomplish more, faster by continuing to partner with other community organizations.

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Clean Sweep Specialist

Jefferson County

311 S. Center Avenue, Court house - Room 201, Jefferson, WI 53549 920*674*7113

Drug Collection Information from 2008-2017

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Year	Controlled	Non-Controlled	Mix-Drug DEA	Total Pounds		Cost		
2008	29.5	920		949.5	\$	1,632.50		
2009	30.5	847		877.5	\$	2,085.40		
2010	91	452		543	\$	1,433.47		
2011	478	686		1164	\$	1,309.08		
2012	40.25	1,200		1240.25	\$	1,715.34		
2013	0	1315	*1113	2428	\$	2,791.78		
2014	70.25	1,820		1890.25	\$	2,130.72		
2015	0	349		349	\$	594.05		
2016	113	349		462	\$	302.65		
2017	0	0	1167	1167	\$	-		
2018 Spring			868.3	868.3	\$	-		
2018 Fall				!	\$	-		
Totals	852.5	7938	1113	11938.8	\$	13,994,99		

^{*} Mix drugs that went to a witness burn.

2008-2009 - Jefferson County Sheriff disposed of drugs through his evidence program at the State lab.

2010-2014 - Veolia Environmental disposed of our non-controlled through the Clean Sweep Program

2010-2014 - All the controlled drugs were disposed of at witness burn in Illinois at a Veolia site.

Jefferson County Sheriff hosted the collection of drugs for the State and witnessed the burn.

2105-2016 - The Wisconsin Department of Justice took over the disposal of all drugs with registered police departments in the State; as of this date they have collected over 110,000 pounds of drugs this doesn't include this pasted weekend's drug take-back. Before the DOJ drug collections we had less than 100 police department participating and now we have over 274 participating police departments.

State DOJ Total Pounds for Mix-Drugs Collected

Year & Month	Total Pounds
May, 2015	39,783
September, 2015	44,698
April, 2016	64,247
October, 2016	58,729
April, 2017	66,830
October, 2017	60,257
April. 2018	

334,544

April & October 2017 Wisconsin ranked third among the 48 states. California & Texas were first & second.

The DOJ said that national wide for the October, 2017 912,305 pounds were collected The DOJ also said that the City of Milwaukee collected 2,000 pounds in October. Jefferson County took in 1,167 pound for October so I think Jefferson County has a very strong program for collecting drugs and with Johnson Creek Police Dept. on board we should be increasing that total.

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A non-profit association that provides statewide proactive leadership on waste reduction and recycling through education, advocacy, collaboration, programs and services.

Leaders in Resource Renewal

May 24, 2017

Representative John Nygren 89th Assembly District State Capitol 309 East PO Box 8953 Madison, WI 53708-8953

Dear Representative Nygren:

On behalf of the Associated Recyclers of Wisconsin (AROW) Board of Directors and its members, I would like to extend our appreciation for your work to promote and advance legislation related to the management of pharmaceutical waste. As you are aware, getting unwanted or outdated medications into safe and convenient disposal is an important tool in fighting the growing opioid addiction problem.

What you may not be aware of is that Wisconsin's recycling and waste resource management professionals have been working with community partners, since 2005, to conduct medication collections. The early programming was driven by a need to keep pharmaceuticals from harming the environment. Programs across the state have grown since then to be a perfect marriage of sound environmental protection and important public health and safety programming. However, with the growth in programming, comes a growth in costs.

AROW is extremely grateful that Attorney General Schimel has targeted medication collections as a priority. The attorney general's program moves to the state, from local collection events and permanent programs, the cost of incineration disposal. This program is critically important in helping local jurisdictions afford conducting programs. Yet this is really a shifting of costs from one place to the next.

Amendment 3 of 2017 January Special Session Assembly Bill 8 contained verbiage that would have moved that cost burden for managing old pharmaceuticals from taxpayers to "companies that develop or manufacture prescription drugs for sale in this state". Unfortunately, this amendment was defeated. AROW endorses this type of "Product Stewardship" model for managing pharmaceutical waste and asks that you consider a Product Stewardship approach in future policy initiatives.

As you continue to work on addiction issues and related pharmaceutical waste management, please know that AROW and its waste management professionals are a resource for you. We are the "boots on the ground" when it comes to reducing waste.

With best regards,

Meleesa Johnson President-AROW

About the Associated Recyclers of Wisconsin (AROW)

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For Immediate Release

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AROW and Waste Management Continue to Build Wisconsin's Recycling Resource

Stevens Point, WI (February 7, 2017) – Associated Recyclers of Wisconsin (AROW) is excited to announce the launching of a new website design and focus for its Recycle More Wisconsin (RMW) program. RMW is a statewide resource to residents and communities on information related to recycling, waste reduction and sustainable material recovery and management options. The new site provides expanded content on specific recyclable items, contains a search function, and is in a mobile-friendly format that together allows visitors to get their questions answered quickly and easily.

Waste Management of Wisconsin has again pledged its financial support as a 2017 Sustaining Sponsor for the valuable RMW program. Waste Management's support follows with their Think Green® commitment to make our communities safer and cleaner. They lead the way in managing Wisconsin's recyclables, serving over 350 communities with collections services. Additionally, their state-of-the-art material recovery facility, in Germantown, is designed to process up to 700 tons of recyclables each day.

Besides the website, RMW's extremely popular Facebook page shares fun topics on upcycling, local community recycling events and statewide news about recycling and waste reduction. Whether it is through social media or the website itself, Recycle More Wisconsin is just one way that AROW works to achieve its mission as Wisconsin's recycling experts, providing statewide proactive programs and services that educate and engage. Working together AROW and Waste Management will move recycling forward!

For more information about Waste Management of Wisconsin: www.wm.com/location/wisconsin/wi/areas.jsp

For more information about AROW and RMW: www.arow-online.org www.recyclemorewisconsin.org

Parties interested in becoming Sustaining, Supporting or Greening sponsor of Recycle More Wisconsin, please contact Angie Lemar, Program Director at: programs@arow-online.org.

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Sharon Ehrhardt

From:

Sharon Ehrhardt

Sent:

Wednesday, May 02, 2018 8:45 AM

To:

Alyssa Spaanem; Dick Schultz; Donald Reese; Greg David; Peter Hartz

Cc:

Matt Zangl; Benjamin Wehmeier; James Schroeder

Subject:

Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee

Matt and I would like to welcome the new Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee members.

Here is a quick overview of the Committee's responsibilities:

- 1. Oversee the host agreement with Waste Management Deer Track Park Landfill.
- 2. Promote recycling programs in Jefferson County
- 3. Clean Sweep Events (hazardous waste collections)
- 4. Recycling Events (electronics, appliances and lawn equipment)
- 5. Promoting Milk Carton Recycling in Schools
- 6. Drug Collections (we have 10 drug drop-off boxes at local law-enforcement office for our residents to use)
- 7. Staff or Committee representation at Wisconsin Council of Recycling, AROW (Associated Recyclers of Wisconsin), PWWG (Pharmaceutical Waste Working Group), Product Stewardship Institution

Matt Zangl is the Interim Director of the Planning & Zoning Department and the Solid Waste/Air Committee in part this Department. I'm the staff member attached to the Solid Waste/Air Committee. If you have any questions about the Committee you can contact Matt at 920-674-8638 or myself at 920-674-7430

Please mark your calendars for the upcoming meeting date and events.

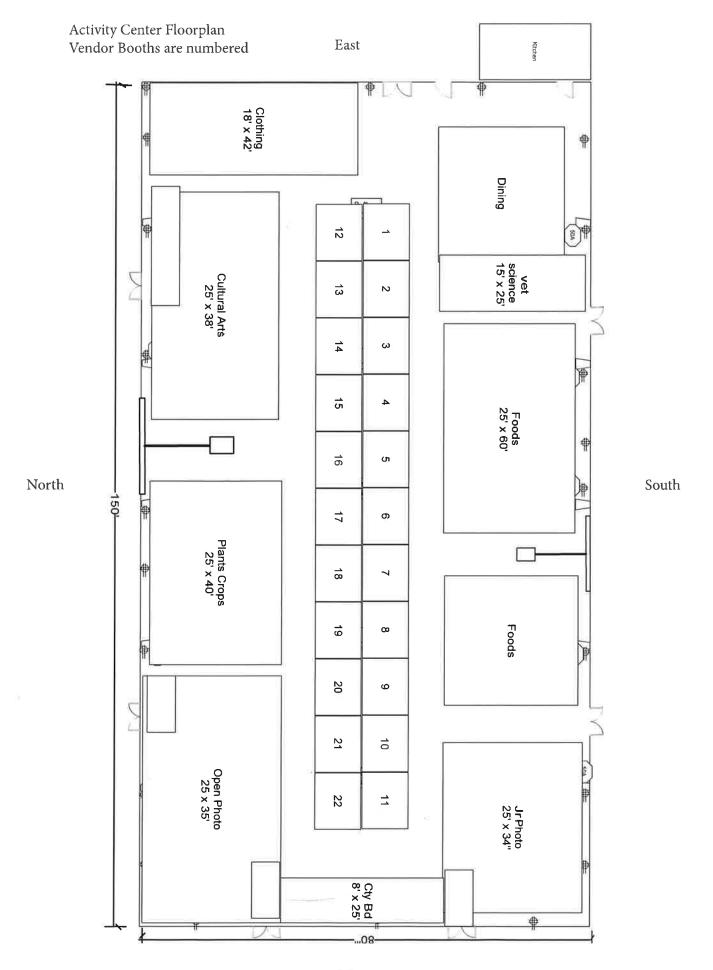
First Solid Waste/Air Quality meeting is June 15, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. in the Jefferson County Courthouse Room 203.

We have two upcoming events which are voluntary:

June 20, 2018 - 9:30 at the Fort Atkinson Police Department - Jefferson County Chief Association meeting – we will be honoring our Law Enforcement agencies for having drug collections at their offices.

July 11-15, 2018 - 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. – Jefferson County Fair – we have a fair booth where we play recycling games and have drawings for compost bins and party/camping recycling popup bins.

Make recycling part of your life! Sharon Ehrhardt Solid Waste/Clean Sweep Specialist 311 S. Center Avenue – Room 201 Jefferson, WI 53549



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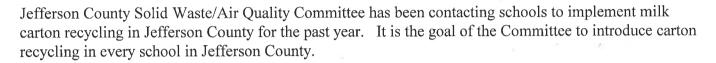
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Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee News Release

Contact: Sharon Ehrhardt, Jefferson County Solid Waste/Clean Sweep Specialist Phone: (920) 674-7430 Email: sharonch@jeffersoncountywi.gov

Carton Recycling in Jefferson County



Milk carton recycling is a simple process that can be added to any school lunch program. Students can empty milk cartons into a strainer over a pail, and then dispose of the empty carton into the recycling bin. The pail of milk can be emptied down the drain, and will not harm sewer or septic systems. The carton doesn't have to be rinsed out, but does need to be emptied. It is recommended to never crush a carton, but rather leave it open so it can continue to air dry. In Jefferson County, there are 10,745 students in public schools and 3,220 in private schools for a total of 13,965 students. If we use this estimated number of students, it would equate to approximately 2,513,700 milk cartons that could be diverted from a landfill. This number only accounts for 1 milk carton per day per student. It does not include any milk cartons used for breakfast or breaks. We know some students bring their own lunches which may include juice boxes, yogurt bottles/containers, or other drink bottles. These containers can also be recycled, along with milk cartons. Recycling milk cartons/drink containers would reduce the total amount that is sent to landfills, saving valuable space in our local landfills. The Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee supports local schools by donating five gallon white pails and stainless steel strainers to each school that wants to implement a program. The Committee also has laminated posters available to show students what items can be recycled.

A few schools districts are already recycling cartons - Jefferson, Lake Mills and Johnson Creek School Districts along with St. Joseph Catholic School and Ixonia Grade School are all recycling cartons at their schools and have requested more pails, strainers, and posters to expand their programs. Fort Atkinson School District is working with their student green teams to start carton recycling in all of their schools. Watertown School District has been contacted, but we are waiting to hear back from them to determine whether they are already recycling cartons, and if they need help from us to expand their program. The Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee is willing to work with all schools in Jefferson County to start and/or expand the carton recycling program. The Carton Council's website www.recyclecartons.com has a lot of information on the process and importance of carton recycling.

We also reached out to waste haulers in Jefferson County and found that John's Disposal, Advanced Disposal, Badgerland Disposal and Waste Management recycle cartons. Attached are pictures of the type of cartons that are recyclable in local schools.

For more information on carton recycling please contact Sharon Ehrhardt, Solid Waste/Clean Sweep Specialist for Jefferson County. sharoneh@jeffersoncountywi.gov (920) 674-7430



From: Peter Watts [mailto:wattsp@watertown.k12.wi.us]

Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2018 10:53 AM

To: Sharon Ehrhardt; 'Rick Schultz (RickS@CityofWatertown.org)'; Hank Hechimovich

Cc: Wynn Schultz; Jonathan Rouse; Joan Jaeckel

Subject: Milk Carton Recycling

Good morning

This email is in regards to an inquiry sent to Hank Hechimovich from Sharon Ehrhardt...

I implemented and maintained a successful cafeteria recycling program at Riverside Middle School in Watertown that collected unused milk, food waste, and milk cartons. I designed and paid for a sheet metal funnel that fit into a five-gallon bucket and accommodated a plastic tray intended for going through the commercial dishwasher. By all accounts, allowing the cartons to fully drain was an important step. From reading Sharon's email, this might not be necessary, though I think Rick Schultz would agree that eliminating as much milk from the containers is important for the recyclers, especially during the warm months. The food (vegetable material) was given to a local farm to feed mostly sheep, the milk was also intended to feed pigs at a local farm though I had aspirations to create a biogas generation project to heat our greenhouse. (WE Energies was not interested in the least partnering with this project) The milk cartons were being recycled by the city. During 2016-2017 school year and the first quarter of 2017-18 | kept 9307 pounds of milk and 8632 pounds of produce from being landfilled. I have contributed approximately 100,000 milk cartons to the city's recycling of high quality paper over the same 1 1/4 years. I had been saving produce from our cafeteria for Over four years and milk for over three and I can find the data for those fourish years if you so desire. I stopped this program last fall for several reasons. I must also relay that I cannot be near the garbage containers because of the incredible waste that goes into them each day. It literally causes me stress to see it so I'd love to see this work.

Those of you who know me know that I am totally committed to environmental health. I tell it like it is, so take the following comments in stride but understand that there are real issues that need attention for a sustained, successful program that you're describing.

The first issue is that I was doing this on my own, with virtually no assistance from staff. On days I was absent I returned to a disgusting scenario of spoiled milk and smelly produce. Over the life of the program I spent approximately 180 hours carrying the buckets to my room, digging through the pails of milk and buckets of organics removing wrappers, hamburgers, etc. and cleaning the buckets. We originally started with a collection of buckets. I originally brought the buckets home each day for pick-up and delivery to the

farm. We had to stop feeding the milk the to the hogs because of the tremendous sugar load in the primary milk consumed-that being chocolate.

To be considered:

Who is responsible for putting the buckets out, setting the funnels/strainers into the buckets?

Who is responsible for picking up the buckets after the lunch periods are over?

Who will weigh the waste and keep the data? This is an important aspect to demonstrate success.

Who will be responsible for cleaning the milk buckets? Teachers are completely overburdened in this modern educational environment and it

is not appropriate to add another duty to already full plates. You may want to come up with funding to pay staff for adding this burden and you might get a few takers. What about turnover? Honestly, this is the main reason I stopped the program.

Where is the waste milk going? Sending it into the sanitary sewer system is not a sustainable practice.

The recycling bins need to rinsed after each pick up. That's another burden on the custodial staff.

Though we tried with schoolwide videos and signage, RMS students weren't fully sold on the extra step they were required to take-

emptying the milk cartons and opening them fully. Consequently I was left with a lot of cleanup.

Are districts willing to eliminate the selling of chocolate milk? I see this as a health and environmental concern as well as needing additional

time for cleaning and sanitizing buckets

I am all for being a SMALL part of this program, though I think I provided some food for thought and perhaps a prompt for further discussion.

Please don't hesitate contacting me if you have questions or need clarification.

Peter Watts

Seventh Grade TEAM Leader
RMS School Garden Lead Teacher
Siemens STEM Fellow
NASA CIMSS Climate Literacy Ambassador
UW- Madison Nanoscience Fellow
Wisconsin Society of Science Teachers – Past President

Science Educator Watertown Unified School District Riverside Middle School 131 Hall Street Watertown, WI 53094 920.262.1480 Ext. 5119

[&]quot;You are the Universe expressing itself as a human for a little while." Eckhart Tolle

Sharon Ehrhardt

To:

Peter Watts; 'Rick Schultz (RickS@CityofWatertown.org)'; Hank Hechimovich

Cc:

Wynn Schultz; Jonathan Rouse; Joan Jaeckel

Subject:

RE: Milk Carton Recycling

Good Morning Peter:

I will try to address a few of the issues.

In most schools the kitchen staff or the custodians put out the pails and strainers. The milk and juice can be poured down the drain. This is not hazardous to the waste treatment plants. In most schools the custodian empties the pails in a drain and empties the strainers into the trash. The kitchen staff clean the pails and strainers with the normal kitchen cleanup. The milk cartons do not have to torn open, they just have to be emptied. Food waste is an issue with which I can't help. I know the city of Watertown does some composting of food waste on a volunteer basis, but for now it is a limited program. Very few schools compost the food waste and if they do, it is a commitment by the whole school district. Some schools have compost plans, but that has to be approved by the DNR. I also found that school green teams get involved with the recycling of cartons. As far as keeping track of data it can be as simple as how many milk cartons do the schools purchase and if we recycle them we are keeping x number of cartons out of the schools waste streams. Watertown does single-stream recycling so maybe some extra recycling containers might be needed, but it shouldn't be a big problem. This shouldn't be a cost increase for the kitchen staff or custodians.

If you have time look at the Carton Council's website https://www.recyclecartons.com/ It shows simple ways of recycling cartons without making lots of work for the custodians or kitchen staff.

This can be a simple step in recycling at the school without a lot of work. I would be happy to meet with anyone about the process and I'm sure Rick Schultz would also be happy to work with the schools.

The Fort Atkinson School District is doing this through their Green Teams and the other schools are working with the custodians and kitchen staff. Do you have lunch room monitors that could keep an eye on the recycling?

Example: a Fort school uses 250 cartons of milk twice a day which = 500 cartons x 5 days = 2500 cartons x 180(?) school days = 450,000 cartons a year. Fort has six schools so you can image how many cartons they are saving from the landfill a year.

The goal of the Jefferson County Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee is to help school recycle cartons and keep them out of the landfill and trash. We can help with supplies and staff support, but not with funding.

Sharon

Make recycling part of your life!
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