## SOLID WASTE/AIR QUALITY COMMITTEE MEETING Minutes – May 7, 2010

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Don Reese called the meeting of the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee to order at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, May 7, 2010 at Jefferson County Courthouse, 320 S. Main Street – Room 203, Jefferson, WI 53549

#### 2. ROLL CALL (ESTABLISH A QUORUM)

Committee members present at 8:30 a.m. were Don Reese, Vic Imrie, Michael Miller and Lloyd Zastrow

Excused Absent: Carlton Zentner

Staff members present: Rob Klotz and Sharon Ehrhardt

Guests: Gary Petre-Administrator Jefferson County, Vic Karaliunas-Manager Town of Ixonia Recycling, Don Smith-Manager Waste Management Deer Track Park Landfill, Ed Jepsen-Air Quality Manager WDNR, Mark Heal-Account Manager Veolia, and Paul Milbrath-Sheriff Jefferson County.

#### 3. CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW

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

#### 4. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN, VICE-CHAIRMAN, AND SECRETARY

#### Nominations for Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary

#### **Nominations for Chair**

Vic Imrie Jr. nominated Don Reese for Chair of the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee and Michael Miller seconded the nomination.

Vic Imrie Jr. made a motion to close nominations and cast unanimous ballot for Don Reese as Chair of the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee and Lloyd Zastrow seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4-0

#### **Nominations for Vice-Chair**

Vic Imrie Jr. nominated Lloyd Zastrow for Vice Chair of the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee and Michael Miller seconded the motion.

Michael Miller made a motion to close nominations and cast unanimous ballot for Lloyd Zastrow as Vice Chair of the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee and Vic Imrie Jr. seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4-0

#### **Nominations for Secretary**

Lloyd Zastrow nominated Vic Imrie Jr. Secretary of the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee and Michael Miller seconded the motion.

Lloyd Zastrow made a motion to close nominations and cast unanimous ballot for Vic Imrie Jr. as Secretary of the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee and Michael Miller seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4-0

#### 5. REVIEW THE AGENDA

Gary Petre requested that the Committee move items 22 and 23 after item 8 and Sharon requested that item 16 be moved after item 10. The Committee agreed to the agenda changes.

#### 6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 19, 2010

Vic Imrie Jr. made a motion to accept the February 19, 2010 minutes as written and Don Reese seconded the motion.

**Motion Carried 4-0** 

#### 7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Helen Orton requested that Sharon ask the Committee if someone was looking for or interested in a building project. She is filling plastic water and pop bottles with newspaper and other paper sources. These filled bottles would be used as a bricks in constructing a building. Helen saw a documentary on constructing a school in Africa with plastic bottles. She was wondering if there was a group of school children interested in this type of project. Sharon told the Committee that she also forwarded the request to Greg David. The Committee had no comments.

Sharon told the Committee that she would be attending the workshop for pharmaceuticals at UW-Milwaukee May 18 and 19. She will report back to the Committee with information she obtained from the workshop.

Vic K. said the Town of Ixonia has sent a second load of electronics to URT for recycling and Rick S. said Watertown was getting ready to send a second load too. Rob K. and Sharon E. explained to the new Committee members how Jefferson County partnered with the Town of Ixonia, City of Watertown, and City of Fort Atkinson to establish permanent electronic recycling sites for the residents of Jefferson County.

## 8. REVIEW OF COUNTY BOARD RULES PERTAINING TO THE SOLID WASTE/AIR QUALITY COMMITTEE

Sharon handed out a copy of the Solid Waste/Air Quality Rules of Order for the Board of Supervisors 3.05(2) (n). Gary P. explained to the Committee that the start of each new Committee term they should review the rules. Gary said that no action needed to be taken; this is just a review for each Committee member.

**9. DISCUSS CORRESPONDENCE OR REPORTS FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES**Sharon handed out correspondence from <u>Waste News</u>. Sharon would like to email these news updates instead of making copies for each member. Sharon asked the Committee members for their email addresses where they would like their correspondence sent. Sharon told the Committee if they signed up for some of the newsletters she would not need to print them and they would stay current with recycling issues. Vic Imrie does not have an email address so therefore always needs a hard copy. Sharon will place their correspondence or other communications in the County Board mail boxes whenever possible. Lloyd and Michael gave her their email addresses.

## 10. ED JEPSON, DNR – DISCUSS OZONE AND FINE PARTICULATE MATTER LEVELS AND UPDATES FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY

Ed gave the Committee handouts with maps for the ozone and fine particle pollution in Jefferson County. Ed first talked about fine particle pollution. Jefferson County had four alerts this past winter & spring. They were orange alerts which were low level. The closest fine particle monitors are in Waukesha, Madison and Horicon; because Jefferson County does not have a monitor we can not be put into non-attainment. When an alert is issued for Jefferson County the data is coming from the three stations. Fine particle pollution is more harmful than ozone the small particles get into our lungs and cause breathing problems especially for people who have respiratory problems.

In August, 2010 the EPA will most likely lower the ozone standards. The number now is at 70 and at 70 Jefferson County is still in attainment, but if the number becomes 65 we could become non-attainment. It will depend on the last three years averages. Jefferson County does have a monitor for ozone by the City of Jefferson School sport's field. Many of the ozone problems Jefferson County has come from the ozone that drafts through our county from neighboring counties. Stricter regulations would be implemented for businesses in Jefferson County if we become non-attainment. Ed said we would not have vehicle inspections because since 1995 autos are built with high emission standards and more will go into effect with 2012 CAFE (Corporate Average Fuel Economy) standards and 2016 Fleet standards. The new ozone standards would go into effect January 2011. Ed said weather will become a bigger issue in climate

change. When you look at the map that Ed handed out you can see we are going in the right direction. The Clean Energy and Jobs Act (CEJA) did not pass the Legislature, but existing state efforts (10% RPS by 2015) are still in effect. Federal Legislation is still under development and considerable differences exist in the Senate and House initiatives. Federal rules will be significant in the EPA and other agencies – Mandatory GHG Reporting Rule, Renewable Fuel Standard, Tailoring Rule, and CAFÉ/GHF tailpipe standards.

The Committee invited Ed to come back later this year to discuss the new ozone standards and how they could affect Jefferson County.

11. DON SMITH, WASTE MANAGEMENT MANAGER – UPDATE ON DEER TRACK PARK LANDFILL Don Smith said he hopes Jefferson County can stay in attainment because it would be very costly to businesses to become compliant to meet new regulations. For example, the landfill had dust monitors for years and after all the testing it was found that the farmers working up their fields caused more dust than the landfill. Don said that the landfill meets all the DNR and air quality regulations and that inspections and reporting are done regularly.

The landfill has eight methane gas engines in full operation and they produce enough electricity for 6,000 homes. Waste Management has 46 engines in Wisconsin. The warm gas that is emitted from the engines must be treated because of global warming.

Don Smith handed out three modification requests that they submitted to and were approved by the DNR. The first and second were to modify operations of a special waste plan and to update long term care cost estimates for Deer Track Park. The categories and the testing requirements have been modified to more closely reflect the current NR 600 and NR 700, Wisconsin Administrative Codes, and the EPA guidance. Don explained that you have to modify our plan to meet today's standards. The third was to modify the plan for the petroleum contaminated soil processing facility at Deer Track Park. This would not change the treatment process and the treated soil would continue to be tested as required under existing approvals. This would allow the landfill to use the soil after the treatment process as cover to the landfill. It would be more cost effective than purchasing other soils for cover.

Don said they got the approval for a compost site at the landfill to be used with topsoil for landfill cover. The compost site will not be open to residents. Don plans to contract with businesses or communities who have excess compost at their sites. He is allowed by permit to have 20,000 yards a year.

Don also asked the Committee if they would agree to discontinue the use of the lock box in the bank. In the early contract with the landfill it stated that a lock box must be kept with updated records and reports on landfill activities. Don said he doesn't think any of his processors have updated the box. As far as he knows no updates have been placed in the box for years. He said anytime the Committee wants a report the information is in the computer and could be obtained for review. Rob told Don to send a written letter requesting the elimination of the lock box and we would have Phil review it.

Rob asked Don to send him an estimate of the tipping fees we could expect for 2010. Rob would need this information by the middle of July so he could use the number for the 2011 budget.

Don said he has had some tours of the landfill, but not very many. The Committee might consider doing another tour with the new Committee members.

### 12. UPDATE ON PERMANENT DROP OFF SITE AND DISPOSAL CONTAINER FOR DRUGS, AND DRUG RESOLUTION

The Sheriff said the forms for DEA (Drug Enforcement Administration) approval have been sent and he has an electronic copy on file. Paul said he thinks he has everything complete and approval should be coming in the next few weeks. He double checked with Brad Dunlap from the DOJ (Department of Justice) and Brad said to make sure to do a follow up in a few weeks because DEA has been known to lose the applications. Paul isn't sure if the box will be placed in the Sheriff's lobby or the jail lobby; it will depend on the DEA approval. The box will need to have a lip so that nothing could be retrieved from the box. It will also need a plastic liner so that if liquid medications spill there won't be a problem. Don said JWR is

waiting for the specifications and they will make and donate the container. Mark Heal said the Committee can do something like the Fond du Lac Police Department. After the pharmacists sort the drugs Veolia will pick up the non-controlled drugs for destruction when they are in the area and the Sheriff can keep the controlled drugs until the witness burn.

## 13. WATERTOWN AND LAKE MILLS POLICE DEPARTMENT BRINGING DRUGS COLLECTED TO SHERIFF'S OFFICE

The Sheriff said that City of Lake Mills and City of Watertown Police Departments are interested in bringing their drugs from residents to the Sheriff's Office for disposal. The Sheriff said the police departments need to document any drugs they take from residents so there is a paper trail. The Sheriff's Office would also document when and what the police departments bring to the Sheriff's Office. If the DEA or DOJ would decide to do an audit we would have documentation for their review of all drugs collected. We would also have documentation in case any residents would question the procedures.

## 14. DANE COUNTY HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE – ALTERNATIVE FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY

Sharon found out that Dane County is building a permanent hazardous waste site at the Dane County landfill. The site is located off of USH 12 on the way to Madison. Dave Radisewitz said the site should start construction in June or July. The site will be open six days a week. Dave said that he would be looking into other counties using the site for a fee. Sharon asked the Committee if she could invite him to the July meeting to discuss the possibilities of Jefferson County residents using the site. Dave also said that VSQG (very small quality generators) could possibly use the site too. The Committee said to put him on the July agenda.

#### 15. UPDATE ON MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) AND URT CONTRACT

The City of Watertown, City of Fort Atkinson, City of Whitewater and Town of Ixonia have signed and returned the MOU's and they have been filed in the County Clerks Office. The URT contract was signed by Gary Petre and was returned to URT with a signed copy filed in the County Clerks Office.

#### 16. DISCUSS CLEAN SWEEP PROGRAM

#### A. Clean Sweep May 22, Watertown

Mark Heal, Veolia Account Manager introduced himself to the Committee and explained Veolia's role in Clean Sweeps. Mark also explained the Clean Sweep event process, so all new members would have an idea of what takes place the day of the event. Mark requested that Sharon keep him up to date on how many people have signed up for the Clean Sweep in Watertown. The number of residents attending determines how many Veolia staff are needed that day. Sharon said the list of volunteers included: two or three pharmacists, Carol & Tim from the Health Departments, two from Walgreens, one Watertown Police Officer, and Chief Deputy Jeff Parker from the Sheriff's Office. Four Committee members said they could attend and Michael Miller said he had to work that day but might stop in. So far we have 95 people signed up including two businesses and 3 farms. Mark said that the Veolia staff would be on site at 6:30 a.m. and Richard S. said he would have the site ready. Rick also said that if anyone does bring electronics to the Clean Sweep we will unload it and put it aside until Monday morning when his staff would take it to the recycling site.

#### B. Drug Grant Money Received

We received a check for \$3,375. We applied for \$4,500 but were cut 25% which was \$1,125. Sharon will apply for the 2011 Pharmaceutical grant as soon as she gets the information.

#### C. June 15 Applications for Household, Ag, and Drug Grants

Dennis W. Presser took over Roger Springman's responsibilities at the DATCP. Roger Springman took a job with Gebesus Poly Recycling Inc. as Director of Recycling Programs and Network Development. He was hired by Wess Damro who is President and Wess is also President of AROW. Sharon talked to Dennis and she said that this year the grant process would

be the same because they don't have time to revise the system. The grant information should be coming out after June 15.

#### D. RESOLUTION FOR Clean Sweeps to be Submitted to County Board June 8th

Vic Imrie Jr. made a motion to approve the Clean Sweep Grant resolution and send the resolution to the County Board meeting June 8th and Lloyd Zastrow seconded the motion.

The motion carried 4-0

# E. Sponsorship Donations – Send Another Letter Before Town, City, & Village Budgets As of this date we have received \$3,500 in donations from towns and businesses. We have sent out thank you letters to each contributor and have listed our partners and sponsors on the Clean Sweep website. Rob told the Committee that we will send out another letter at budget time asking the Towns, Villages, and Cities to include Clean Sweep in their annual budgets. Sharon will put together a letter for the approval of the Committee at the July 16 Committee meeting.

## 17. DISCUSS TIME AND DATE FOR PHONE CONFERENCE WITH ELISABETH OLSON – DNR FOR EDUCATION OPTIONS

Sharon told the Committee that Elisabeth is willing to do a conference call with the Committee to discuss education plans. Sharon asked the Committee if before we set a conference date with Elisabeth, we should have some discussion and preplanned questions ready for the conference call. Before the June 18 meeting Sharon will send the Committee information about education that the Committee discussed. The Committee requested that this be put on the June 18<sup>th</sup> agenda.

#### 18. DISCUSS FACEBOOK & TWITTER OPTIONS AND POSSIBLE TRAINING

Rob explained to the Committee that maybe at a future date we might want to network Clean Sweep though Face book and Twitter. Rob explained that Fair Park uses it and maybe some other departments. Sharon explained that at the AROW conference the people who use Facebook update it weekly so the site says fresh. They found if you don't keep the site fresh people lose interest. Rob though maybe some educational information might not need updating. There is no cost associated to Facebook or Twitter so it would be cheap advertising. We also need to know what county policy would be on a site. Need more information.

#### 19. DISCUSS RECYCLING SURVEY FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY FACILITY SITE

Only two surveys were returned. Committee said to put on June meeting agenda and discuss then.

#### 20. DISCUSS MEETING TIMES AND DATES WITH NEW COMMITTEE

The Committee members said the third Friday of the month at 8:30 a.m. works for all members. So the consensus of the members was to leave the date and time the same.

#### 21. DISCUSS 2010 SOLID WASTE/AIR QUALITY BUDGET

Rob said he would start working on the budget in June. He needs more information about grants and his estimates for Deer Track Park Landfill from Don Smith. He also needs the cost of the two Clean Sweeps this year.

## 22. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY ACT ON STRATEGIC PLANNING STEERING COMMITTEE PARTICIPATION

Gary Petre explained that this Committee consists of eight County Board members and seven department heads. He thinks there will only be 5 or 6 meeting left.

Vic Imrie made a motion that Don Reese be the Committee's representative on the Strategic Planning and Steering Committee and Lloyd Zastrow seconded the motion.

**Motion Carried 4-0** 

Vic Imrie made a motion that Lloyd act as the alternate for Don Reese if he would not be available and Michael Miller seconded the motion.

**Motion Carried 4-0** 

#### 23. SET FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE: NEXT MEETING DATE AND POSSIBLE AGENDA ITEMS

The Committee will not have regular meetings in the month of May or September because they have Clean Sweep May 22 and September 18, 2010.

#### **JUNE, 2010**

- Discuss education for the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee
- Discuss joining Walworth County with a Clean Sweep in Whitewater
- Discuss recycling surveys.
- Discuss letter from Deer Track Park Landfill on discontinuing lock box
- Discuss the May 22, 2010 Clean Sweep
- Discuss a possible Electronic collection only event.
- Discuss how to stop latex paint coming to Clean Sweeps
- Update on donations
- Discuss Pharmaceutical Workshop that Sharon attended
- Update on approval from DEA on drug drop-off site

#### **JULY, 2010**

- Dave Radisewitz to discuss Dane County Permanent Hazardous Waste Facility
- Letter to Towns, Villages, and Cites to include Clean Sweep in their annual budgets
- Possible conference call with Elisabeth Olson DNR conference call

#### 24. ADJOURN

Vic Imrie Jr. motion made to adjourn meeting at 11:00 a.m. and Michael Miller seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4-0

**Meeting Dates** for the following months.

Saturday, May 22, 2010 – Clean Sweep – City of Watertown Street Department
Friday, June 18, 2010 – Solid Waste/Air Quality Meeting – Jefferson County Courthouse – Room 203
Friday, July 16, 2010 – Solid Waste/Air Quality Meeting – Jefferson County Courthouse – Room 203
Friday, August 20, 2010 – Solid Waste/Air Quality Meeting – Jefferson County Courthouse – Room 203

These minutes will be reviewed and acted upon at the next Solid Waste & Air Quality Committee meeting. See those minutes for the record of action. A digital recording of these minutes is available upon request.

Secretary of Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee