

MARION COUNTY
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

July 26, 2016

6:00-8:00 p.m.

Commissioners Board Room – Courthouse Square

555 Court St. NE

Salem, Oregon

Members Present: Bob Anderson, Bill Brauer, Joe Fowler, Todd Irvine, Will Posegate, Judy Skinner, Thomas Anderson, Bonnie Sullivan, Brian Sund

Members Absent: Darby Randklev (notified staff)

Public Signed in: Tammy Dennee

Staff Present: Brian May, Dennis Mansfield

BOC Liaison: Janet Carlson

MOTION: Joe Fowler moved to approve the June 2016 meeting minutes. Motion was seconded by Todd Irvine.

Discussion: Bonnie pointed out a few corrections to the minutes. Pg. 1, Solid waste program discussion topic: 2nd bullet should read, “we hope that this”, instead of, “We hope that his”. Pg. 2, Communications plans: 7th bullet should read, “Bob, Bonnie, Brian and Joe shared how they became involved”, instead of, “Bob, Bonnie, Brian and Joe shared how they because involved”. Pg. 3, Future topics: 1st bullet should read, “Bonnie announced”, instead of, “Bonne has arranged”.

Abstentions: None

Dissensions: None

Results: Minutes approved as amended.

ADMINISTRATIVE (Information/Action):

- Tammy Dennee introduced herself. She was invited to participate on behalf of the Salem Chamber of Commerce. She works for the Oregon Dairy Farmers Association and serves as their Legislative Director.

SOLID WASTE PROGRAM DISCUSSION TOPICS:

- Metro Solid Waste Code - Brian hasn't heard anything yet. The last update was that they were going to take the Code Updates back to the Metro Solid Waste Advisory Committee and see about moving it forward to the Commissioners about the recommendations. It appears that they will regulate the Clean MRF's in some capacity. That capacity is to be determined.
- The update on the Metro/Covanta Waste Discussion was tabled to the September meeting.
- The update on Covanta negotiations with PGE was that the PUC meeting will be held on Friday to consider PGE's RFP proposal. They will decide then if they will release it. The Council is putting it back on the agenda for September.
- Blue Bin Medical Waste - Dennis said that Covanta is bringing in a small amount of medical waste from California to see what it will be like when Washington will be at full throttle and we are getting waste brought in from Washington State. Currently the Council amended the contract with Covanta to define the Blue Bin Waste and we made it clear what we will and will not accept. Commissioner Cameron, Commissioner Brentano and Dennis went to Morton, Washington to see how they process medical waste.

- Commissioner Carlson talked with the Editorial Board for a misrepresentation in the article in the paper. The paper issued an editorial to the article that had some wrong information stating that what we had done was the right decision for Marion County. The county has assigned a county reporter and her name is Janelle Hogan.

COMMUNICATIONS PLAN:

- Jolene appreciated everyone's participation. She would like to create a volunteer spotlight. This would entail contacting volunteers and getting some basic information on what they do. This information will be highlighted on our website and social media.
- The Master Recycler Program will be promoted in their first column at the end of August or beginning of September.
- CCTV solid waste program – Jolene showed a short video from last fall's show regarding the Marion County's regular CCTV spot. It is called the "Marion County Today" video addition. The Council is looking at putting this into smaller segments of the show.
- Update on haulers' discussions with cities – Todd wanted to thank Commissioner Brentano, Dennis and Brian, from the county, for going to the Salem Council Meeting.
- The city of Salem did pass the rate increase. The city of Gates, Jefferson, and Detroit have been completed with City Council Meetings on the rate increase. The rate increase is on the Agenda with the City Keizer, Silverton, Turner, and Woodburn is scheduled for August. All and all the proposed rate increases are being well received. The Haulers' have been doing an excellent job letting them know why it's important for the rate increase.

REVIEW BYLAWS AND COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

- Bonnie suggests that the Bylaws Committee meet in August to go through the document and see where we can put the election or appointment for the Vice Chair. There could be an election for the new Chair and Vice Chair.
- There are supposed to be a mentor for new members in the Bylaws.
- Committees need to have more members on the different committees.
- Will Posegate would like to join the Bylaw Committee.
- Bonnie would like the Bylaws Committee members to go over the bylaws before the next meeting.

BUDGET SUB-COMMITTEE

- SWMAC would stay involved with budgetary and financial impacts with Environmental Services. We would as subcommittees have semi-annually meetings. The first would be in August. A meeting request will be in the near future.

COUNCIL MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Bob – His Company made the top 10 Green Businesses in the Oregon Business Magazine. There were 380 nominations.
- Recruitment for new members – Rich with Republic Services might be interested in joining as a member.
- Vice Chair Nomination – Joe was nominated and his nomination is ready to send to the commissioners.
- Staff Updates – Master Recycler Program will start in September and will be in the evening and Bailey has lined up tours and guest speakers.

FUTURE TOPICS / EMERGING ISSUES / OTHER BUSINESS:

MEETING REVIEW:

- Jolene wanted to thank everyone for their communication. Communication is so vital. Also she appreciated the continued participation to promote what we are doing.

- The committee thanked Tammy Dennee for coming to the meeting.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 8:00 p.m.

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