

**SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL
Marion County**

Meeting Minutes

Date: August 22, 2023
Time: 5:30pm -7:30pm
Logistics: Marion County Board of Commissioners Room: Attendance in-person

PRESENT: Members in person: Bonnie Sullivan, Judy Skinner, Keith Bondaug-Winn, Julie Jackson, Ryan Zink, Will Posegate

Staff: Brian May, Rachel VanWoert

Guests present: Brad Barker – SWMAC Candidate, Kenny Larson – Republic Services

ABSENT: Joe Fowler, Brian Sund, Scott Gagner, Kevin Hines

QUORUM: Yes

ADMINISTRATIVE (Information/Discussion/Action)

Keith Bondaug-Winn called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm.

Member and Staff Introductions: Done.

Approval of June 27, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Julie moved to approve minutes; Ryan seconded. A voice vote is unanimous – motion passes.

Public Input: None.

Review of Master Planning Plans

Brian May did a refresher on the timeline that Chalyce had come in to explain at the last meeting in June.

The Council discussed the materials that were sent prior to the meeting for review and talked about key points in the Benton County plan that was created by their Management Committee.

Brian May asked the Council what they want to see from this solid waste management plan as that's what it boils down to.

The Council and Marion County staff conducted a flip chart exercise in which members listed off topics, ideas and directions they would like to see considered when creating this solid waste management plan. Some of the topics included statewide goals, background of the system, legislation, future system improvements, education, public involvement, communication and stakeholder involvement.

The Council discussed how they can get community members to care about their waste management system. The Council also discussed what metrics they want to utilize for analyzing the solid waste management system, along with what their timeline would be. Brian May mentioned that looking into the future by fifty years is feasible as they could theorize where the waste would be going at that point in time.

During this exercise, Brian May provided context on the waste system, background of the system, current trends and his thoughts on the topics brought forth.

Staff Updates

Rachel shared how the first Sustainable Summit went and what resources were covered during the event. She also shared some of the attendees from the community and her plans for next year's event.

Bonnie complimented Rachel on the event and the Green Awards.

Brian May shared the launch of the new Marion Resourcers Website and mentioned they might have Dakota attend next month to show it off. Brian May also noted that there is a Marion Resourcers class starting in September which will be hosted at the Woodburn Chemeketa Community College.

Brian May commented that Yancee Gordon, Marion County Public Works' Communication Coordinator, submitted three different pieces of work to a Nationwide Communications Association. One of the pieces of work being the Passport to Sustainability.

Council Member Announcements

Bonnie stated that December 12th will be the Holiday Dinner and it will be hosted at the MRRF.

Brian shared that he had a public hearing last week regarding the disposal rate changes at Brown's Island Demolition Landfill, North Marion and Salem-Keizer Transfer Stations. This is part of a multi-year plan to keep pace with the escalations and inflations.

Ryan shared that the City of Salem held their second Solid Waste Committee, which is a subcommittee of their city council, and it went well. He stated they are very engaged and excited to learn more.

Meeting Attendance

Brian Sund, Joe Fowler, Kevin Hines and Scott Gagner were absent.

Meeting Review

Will stated it was good information.

Motion: Bonnie moves to adjourn, Ryan seconds.

Discussion: None.

Results: Motion passes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:24 pm.

Next meeting: *Tuesday, October 24, 2023 5:30-7:30pm*