

Solid Waste Advisory Board
Summary of Open Meeting
Bennett Springs Conference Room
1730 E. Elm St., Jefferson City, MO
Friday, December 14, 2012
1:00 p.m.

SWAB Members/Designated Alternates

Region A – Tye Parsons
Region B - Ann Hamilton
Region E – Michael Shaw
Region F - Ruth Anne Parrot
Region G – Cindy Hultz
Region I – Steve Etcher
Region J - Kristi Mackey
Region K - Brady Wilson
Region L - John Haasis
Region M - Bonnie McCord
Region P – Gary L. Collins
Region T - Robert O’Keefe
Sue Noel - Silver Dollar City
John McConnell – Republic
Pat Geraty - St. Louis Composting
David Bahrenburg - IESI

Participating by Phone

Region A – Linda Lateroute
Region C – Dave Davison
Region D - Brenda Kennedy
Region Q – Matt Winters
Region R - David Grimes

SWAB Members Absent

Region - H
Region - N
Region - O
Region – S
Denise Bennett - Macon County

DNR Staff

*Chris Nagel - SWMP
Brenda Ardrey - SWMP
Mary Ellen Hummel - SWMP
Charlene Fitch - SWMP

Others

Harry Rogers – Region M
Lynda Roehl – Region P
Derrick Standley - Waste Corp. (WCA)
Kristin Tipton - EI ERA
Karen Massey - EI ERA
Angie Gehlert – MORA
Randy Railsback
Randy B. White
Casey Powers - Republic
Mark Phillips - District T
Lisa McDaniel
Gary Gilliam - Region K
N. Tunyavanich - Region K
Bert Kimble
Tom Rackers - WCA
Daryl Duwe - Prestige Powers
Jim Callier - EPA Region 7
Robert Hamilton - Region O
*David Berger- St. Louis Jefferson SWMD
*Present- not on sign-in sheet

1. District Roll Call

Chairman John Haasis called the meeting to order. Roll was called; there was a quorum.

2. Approval of December Agenda

David Bahrenburg made a motion to approve the Agenda. Ruth Ann Parrott seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval of October Meeting Summary

Ann Hamilton made a motion to approve the Summary. Patrick Geraty seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Call for Nomination of Officers from the Floor

Chairman read the nominations for chairman, John Haasis and Sue Noel. Sue Noel refused the nomination. Vice chairman nominations are, Gary Collins, Michael Shaw, Pat Geraty and Sue

Noel, who again refused the nomination. Nominations were opened to the floor. None were received and Harry Rogers moved nominations for chairman cease, and was seconded by Ann Hamilton. Motion carried. There were no further nominations from the floor for vice chairman. Harry Rogers moved nominations for vice chairman cease, seconded by Ann Hamilton, motion carried.

5. Voting for 2013 Officers

Ballots were distributed and returned to be counted. Brenda Ardrey and Harry Rogers took the ballots out of the room to count and made phone calls to the members participating by phone to allow them to vote.

6. Voting for Approval of 2013 Meeting Dates

Dates proposed for SWAB meetings in 2013 were: February 6, 2013, March 6, 2013, April 3, 2013, May 1, 2013, August 7, 2013, October 2, 2013, and November 6, 2013. Michael Shaw reiterated that the Legislative Committee would be meeting on the same dates after the SWAB meeting unless the planners were not meeting before SWAB, then the committee would move to their 10:30 time. There were no additional suggestions or dates given. Bob O'Keefe moved that the dates be approved, seconded by Ann Hamilton. Motion carried and the 2013 dates were approved.

7. Solid Waste Management Program Update

Chris Nagel gave the Program update.

- Legislative pre-filing started December 1st, with the first session to be on the 9th.
- SB 13 was the first bill pre-filed, with the possibility of an e-waste proposal similar to Illinois's being filed at a later date.
- Program is working on filling staff vacancies.

8. Solid Waste Management Fund Update

The Fund update was postponed while Brenda Ardrey counted ballots.

Brenda Ardrey gave the Fund update at the end of the meeting.

- Through the end of November revenues from tonnage fees were \$5.4 million. From the same period in 2011 it was \$6 million, about the same in 2010, \$5.7 million in 2009, \$6.6 million in 2008, and \$6.8 million in 2007. November of 2012 is the lowest in some time. Down about 10% this year.

9. Planners Update

David Berger gave the planners update.

- Met last week, talked about district collaboration and cooperation on projects
- A draft is circulating about how districts can encourage more cooperation between districts on projects, i.e. Sheltered Workshop projects, and what funding streams are available.
- Some discussion on consolidation of districts.
- Presentation on 20 year education project, continuation of Show Me recycling project
- Working on SWAB presentations and potential SWAB program topics and educational opportunities.
- Discussion of General terms and legislative issues with districts going over them internally.
- Planner presentations later in the meeting.

10. Item not on Agenda

Chairman asked the Legislative Committee Chairman Michael Shaw to give a brief summary on the activities of the committee.

- Met this morning to continue rephrasing Chapter 260.
- Some discussion of SB13. A recommendation was made by the committee to oppose SB 13 as written.
- Significant infrastructure and collaboration has occurred in the districts and SB 13 would cause harm to those.
- Gave the recommendation from the Legislative Committee that SWAB oppose SB13 and made a motion that the SWAB body oppose SB13 and was seconded by Sue Noel, with the understanding that the Legislative Committee move forward on SB13 and 260 and make sure they bring something back to SWAB. Discussion ensued. Gary Collins feels SB13 is a direct assault on the districts and SWAB and feels it will take the industry back to the era where trash bags were out at the curb beside the road, because there will be no funding. Motion carried.
- Patrick Geraty then asked if someone would be doing something with the recommendation, i.e. sending a letter to legislators. Chairman indicated both the Chair of the Legislative Committee and he would notify legislators.

11. District Year End Summaries

- David Berger briefly mentioned that his region is again sponsoring the Christmas light recycling this year. Last year recycled 64,000 pounds and they hope to double that this year. It has been a very popular program and they have more merchants participating this year.
- Lucky Tunyavanich from Region K reported on the Solid Waste Facility tours and dump cleanup projects for schools. She spoke about the district's education awareness programs. More than 1000 students have visited landfills, transfer station, and recycling centers in the area from 2009-present. Four classes are scheduled to go to the recycling center next year.
- Harry Rogers from Region M spoke about glass recycling. City of Branson and Ripple Glass put a plan together to recycle glass. It began in September, and recycles 5 tons a month currently, which does not include tourist season.
- Ripple Glass containers travel through Joplin to Kansas City, so Harry felt it would work out for everyone.

12. US EPA

Jim Callier from U.S. EPA Region 7 spoke about solid waste at the national level and some of EPA's reduce, reuse, recycle, rethink efforts.

- The Municipal Solid Waste report is given annually. Our nation is generating a lot of paper, some glass, and food scraps in municipal waste. In the 1960s, the amount of waste generated by an individual was 2 ¾ pounds of waste per day. It is currently about 4 pounds per day.
- He showed the trends of recycling over time.
- How waste is managed – about 34% recycled nationwide.
- Grants spread out with no national strategy, or way to attribute to sources – “A thousand flowers blooming” and funding for solid waste was in peril.
- Put national focus on a few things and see if can make a difference and raise the 34%.
- A few areas to focus on nationally – food waste, electronics.
- Memorandum of Agreement with manufacturers who will manage recycling electronics.

- State and local government level – set up a pilot in local community within each region.
- Collection data management system –Reconnect
- Spoke about food waste management- every day America wastes enough food to fill the Rose Bowl stadium, 34 million tons per year. There is only 3% food recycling currently, with \$100 billion in food waste.
- St. Louis Cardinals made a 5% reduction in food waste in the EPA Food Recovery Challenge, which concentrates on universities, venues, and grocery stores.
- 2013 they will expand into hospitality and food processing.
- Some discussion of producer responsibility- electronics, paint, aluminum etc.

13. Other Business

Additional appointments to the Legislative Committee

- Chairmen of the Legislative Committee and the SWAB have not yet completed those talks, and so were not ready to discuss.
- Comment was made that the SWMF report had not yet been given.
- SWMP director made a comment about training some DNR staff had attended in St. Louis presented by the U.S. Composting Council. Very interesting and useful.
- MWCC is setting up a landfill fire training course for facilities, firefighters, and municipal operators. It will be a 3 hour course. It was recommended that recycling centers with large volumes of material would benefit from the training also.
- The results of election of officers were very close. Those elected were John Haasis, Chairman, Gary Collins, Vice Chairman.

14. Agenda Items

- More district presentations being planned for the February meeting.
- Jim Callier stated that there will be a ban on mercury exportation starting January 1, 2013. It may present a problem with HHW collections with recycling thermostats etc. Chairman suggested DNR could perhaps speak to that at the February meeting and what will need to be done.

15. Adjourn

Michael Shaw made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ruth Anne Parrott. Chairman Haasis adjourned the meeting at 2:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ellen Hummel, Secretary