



SOLID WASTE PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MAY 28, 2019

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Church called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Members Present: John Church, Tom Fleming-arrived at 5:04 pm, Cliff Fox-arrived at 5:06 pm, Jennifer Hughes, Stan Ludwikowski, Diane Selmer, Brenda Ulrich, and Erin Willrett.

Members absent: Judy Gilmour, Scott Gryder, Bob Hausler, and Todd Milliron,

Staff present: Steve Curatti, Marlin Hartman, Becki Rudolph, Aaron Rybski and Dr. Amaal Tokars.

Guests: Katie Neary, LRS Recycling; Omayra Giachello, Illinois Department of Public Health; and Greg Kutschke, Midwest Companies.

III. DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

A quorum was present

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. Selmer moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Ludwikowski seconded the motion. The motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

Mr. Church asked everyone to introduce themselves.

V. APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 26, 2019 MINUTES

Mr. Ludwikowski should be added to Members Present. Ms. Hughes moved to approve the February 26, 2019 minutes as corrected. Ms. Selmer seconded the motion. The motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

VI. KENDALL COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMENTS – DR. TOKARS

Articles distributed and reviewed:

- Understanding PFAS in the Environment
- Issue Brief-Recyclables: Changing Markets from National Waste & Recycling Association
- A Winning Formula: Making Connections to Turn Food Waste into Energy
- Illinois Carpet EPR Benefits
- A drug take back event was recently held at the Health Department, partnering with the Sheriff's Office.

VII. APPROVE RECYCLING & SOURCE REDUCTION OBJECTIVES

Mr. Curatti reviewed the objectives developed at the February meeting. These were aligned with the current plan and suggestions from the last meeting were included.

- Offer to educate and promote recycling and source reduction within Kendall County, county departments and government/public entities.
- Interact with local schools, clubs, senior groups, and community groups in Kendall County on ways in which to promote and practice recycling and source reduction.
- Using social/mainstream media, including the Kendall County Green Pages, to incorporate information on source reduction, recycling and other actions to aid proper waste management.
- Identify and communicate methods by which to practice safe and proper disposal of residential Household Hazardous Wastes (HHW), pharmaceutical waste, sharps, and e-waste.
- Encourage waste haulers to provide greater clarity to evolving recycling processes to their customers.
- Recognize businesses within Kendall County who practice innovative waste reduction and recycling.
- Interact with municipalities, villages, and townships within Kendall County on financial benefits and best practices in managing municipal solid waste and data sharing.

Comments/Discussion:

- Ms. Selmer looked into having one waste hauler in a subdivision or township. Townships cannot work with waste haulers to have one hauler in a township without a referendum.

Mr. Hartman asked what does education mean today:

- Diverse outreach program. Environment changing – using social media, texting, email, etc.
- Include links on web pages.
- Mr. Fleming shared information from his waste hauler that he has by his recycle bins showing what can/cannot be recycled.

Mr. Fleming moved to approve the recycling and source reduction objectives as presented. Mr. Ludwikowski seconded the motion. The motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

VIII. GREEN PAGES OVERVIEW

Mr. Rybski reviewed the history of the Green Pages and reviewed the pages on KCHD web site.

- Provide resources for residents on how to dispose of household waste.
- Now located on KCHD web page. Relies on sources that already exist and includes links to other sites. Staff also rely on other websites/pages to answer residents questions.

IX. REVIEW RECYCLING REQUIREMENTS AND FUTURE OF COMPOSTING TYPES/TRENDS

Mr. Hartman reviewed a power point presentation.

- Food composting – commercial and residential
- Types of composting
 - In vessel composting
 - Modified in-bag composting
 - Eco pods
 - Commercial composting
 - Backyard composting
 - Vermi composting
- Reviewed current compost objectives
 - Offer to educate community, strive to be informed and knowledgeable on the latest composting process and practices; foster cooperative relationships with commercial composting operations and support legislation to improve compost and yard waste land application regulations.
 - Routinely monitor legislation addressing compost and yard waste land application regulations.

X. SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION & REVIEW OF CURRENT COMPOSTING OBJECTIVES

The Committee broke out into three groups to discuss the compost objectives in the 2015-2020 Solid Waste Plan. Members were asked to review the objectives and suggest any changes or keep as currently written.

XI. SMALL GROUP INSIGHTS & REFLECTIONS

- Keep the two objectives in the current plan.
- Encourage composting program at local schools.
- Connect with local youth organizations (4H, scouts, etc.), colleges, churches that have gardens.
- Gardens/composting working with jail residents.
- Education in rural areas (farmers) on advantages of using compost in their fields.
- Implement institutional/commercial food waste composting.
- More/better education on backyard composting.

Mr. Kutchke reviewed the process at Midwest Companies to generate compost at the commercial level.

XII. ANNOUNCEMENTS – NEXT MEETING DATE

Mr. Church thanked everyone for their comments/participation. The next meeting is August 27, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

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XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ludwikowski moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:48 p.m. Ms. Selmer seconded the motion. The motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

Submitted by,



Becki Rudolph
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