

**SWMAC Membership Subcommittee Meeting  
September 18, 2006**

Subcommittee Members Present:

Nora Schliske (Chair)  
David Furr  
David Phelps  
Thomas Smith  
John Matthews

Subcommittee Members Absent:

Michael Clark

Staff Present:

Jeff Bickford

Interviewed:

Marian LaBounty  
Fred Stearns

Meeting called to order at 1:02 pm by Chair Nora Schliske. The interviews are being held in order to attempt to fill a Layperson position on the Solid Waste Management Advisory Council (SWMAC).

Jeff informed those in attendance that Kyle Elwood did not respond to two voicemails or one e-mail sent last week requesting an interview for today. It was also discussed that Kyle has served twice previously on the Council, and had both times quit the Council during a meeting in anger/frustration.

Jeff informed those in attendance that the deadline given in the ad for applications is this coming Friday, September 22. Thus, if other applications are received within this timeframe, the group would need to reconvene and interview those individuals.

The interview of Marian LaBounty began at 1:06 pm. The interviewers asked Ms. LaBounty a series of 11 questions, to which she responded. *(A copy of the questions asked is available by request from the ES office)*

At 1:38 pm, the interview was over, and Ms. LaBounty left.

Discussion ensued of her qualifications. Some concern was expressed about her ties to the “waste” industry, but there was general agreement that it was minor, and so long as she was up front about any conflicts of interest, then it wouldn’t be a significant issue. Others stated that they liked her enthusiasm.

The interview of Fred Stearns began at 1:48 pm. The interviewers asked Mr. Stearns a series of 11 questions, to which he responded.

At 2:21 pm, the interview was over, and Mr. Stearns left.

Discussion ensued of his qualifications. The group generally liked his experience working with different agencies, people, and groups in his past positions as a city councilor and mayor (in Arkansas).

It was agreed by all that both candidates would work fine in the position, bringing different things to the table. Upon further discussion, a motion was made by David Phelps (seconded by Thomas Smith) that, pending no other applications being received by September 22<sup>nd</sup>, the Subcommittee would recommend to the full SWMAC on September 26 that Fred Stearns be recommended to the BOC for appointment. Should another application come in by September 22<sup>nd</sup>, then another subcommittee meeting would be scheduled prior to the full SWMAC meeting for an interview, and the group would reconsider this recommendation.

Additionally, the group recommended that staff talk to Ms. LaBounty whether she would like to have her application remain active for the next open layperson position, as they felt she was definitely qualified.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:36 pm.

Minutes prepared by Jeff Bickford, Marion County

*Note: For full details of the meeting, a taped recording was made and is available to be listened to in the Environmental Services office.*