

**MARION COUNTY
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL**

January 27, 2015

6:30-9:00 pm

Senator Hearing Room – Courthouse Square

555 Court St. NE

Salem, Oregon

Members Present: Bob Anderson, Bill Brauer, Jeanne Collins, Todd Irvine, Brian May, Darby Randklev, Judy Skinner, Thomas Smith, Bonnie Sullivan

Members Absent: Shelly Paddock, Brian Sund

Public Signed in: Peter Grell,

Staff Present: Jeff Bickford, Comm. Kevin Cameron, Griselda Puga

MOTION:	Thomas moved to approve the November 2014 meeting minutes. Motion was seconded by Darby.
Discussion:	Bonnie pointed out a correction under SWMAC Work Topic – Food Waste, bullet number one; it should read, " There was a discussion on the best process for approaching food waste recovery as a council". The discussion was led by everyone in the council, not just Bob & Thomas. Bill made a correction to Council input/Announcements/New Business – Council is missing an N.
Abstentions:	None
Dissensions:	None
Results:	Minutes approved as amended.

PUBLIC INPUT:

- None

DISCUSSION OF POTENTIAL BYLAWS CHANGE:

- Consider running a weekly ad for filling SWMAC positions in the newspaper. Item should be added to February meeting agenda.
- Discussion regarding SWMAC interviews and openings.
- Consider having the Chamber of Commerce, Public Health, Housing Industry, and Community Organization positions be available to serve as chair.
- Upon further discussion, it was suggested to change the bylaws to include the Chamber of Commerce and Community Organization positions to be eligible to serve as chair.

MOTION:	Thomas recommended having the Bylaws Subcommittee craft the language that was discussed by the council about adding the Chamber of Commerce and Community Organization positions to be eligible to serve as the chair. Motion was seconded by Judy.
Discussion:	None
Abstentions:	None
Dissensions:	None
Results:	Bylaws Subcommittee tasked to develop draft language that would incorporate these changes.

FOOD WASTE PRESENTATIONS:

- Griselda Puga discussed food waste collection at the elementary schools in Salem and Keizer, as well as the ongoing expansion of food waste collection in middle schools in the district.
- The new Save the Food Program, which will be launched in April and is targeted towards residents, was discussed.
- It was suggested that a category be added to the Green Awards for businesses taking part in the commercial food waste collection program.
- It was also suggested that a list of participating restaurants be promoted in the Waste Matters newsletter, going out in April 2015.
- Asking participating businesses what they would prefer as an incentive for their participation was mentioned.
- Art Kuenzi, owner of Suburban Garbage, shared his experience with the commercial food waste collection program.
- Discussion ensued on creating an incentive program for business that would get them to participate, as well as commending them when they are doing a good job.

SWMAC WORK TOPIC – FOOD WASTE RECOVERY:

- It would be helpful to come up with the total garbage percentage generated by the commercial restaurant industry and the school system.
- Then, figure out what percentage out of the total is food waste. Having those numbers would benefit the council to come up with a strategy.
- Find out if people's favorite restaurants participate in the food waste collection program. Ask why it is done and how they do it. If they do not have the service, it would be a good idea to come back and talk to them about it.
- Get in contact with the members of the Oregon Restaurant and Lodging Association.
- Check with the Health Dept. inspectors to see what role they can take when conducting their inspections.
- Work with the City to acquire data on how food waste going down the garbage disposal affects the sewage treatment facility.

COUNCIL INPUT/ANNOUNCEMENTS/NEW BUSINESS:

- Bonnie would like to thank Bailey and Public Works for the tour of the Safeway distribution center and the URT computer recycling facility.
- Bonnie shared how pleased she was with the Art Calendar event.
- A brief discussion was held about expanding the Art Calendar participation.
- Bonnie attended the Garten MRF open house event.
- The Nominating Subcommittee met today at 5:00 pm and interviewed Pete Grell and Joe Fowler.

MOTION: The Nominating Subcommittee moved to recommend that Pete Grell be recommended to the Board of Commissioners for appointment to the SWMAC in the Recycling Industry represented position. The motion was seconded by Judy.

Discussion: None

Abstentions: None

Dissensions: None

Results: Pete Grell's recommendation to the BOC for appointment.

MOTION: The Nominating Subcommittee moved to recommend that Joe Fowler be recommended to Board of Commissioners for appointment to the SWMAC in the Public Health represented position. The motion was seconded by Thomas.

Discussion: None

Abstentions: None

Dissensions: None

Results: Joe Fowler's recommendation to the BOC for appointment.

- Todd thanked the BOC for bringing back the Art Calendar.
- All 14 Art Calendar winners attended the awards ceremony in December.

STAFF UPDATES:

- Clean Harbors Environmental will be awarded the Household Hazardous Waste facilities contract.
- A public hearing for the proposed stormwater management fee in the East Salem Service District area was held January 25th. The hearing remains open. Another hearing will be held March 4, 2015.
- Recovery rates for 2013 were received on December 31, 2014. Marion County was up by almost one percent, with an official recovery rate of 61.2%.
- The Master Recycler class began Thursday, January 22, 2015.
- The Salem Home Show was held MLK weekend. ES had a promotional display at the event, and there was a great turn out.
- The Green Awards will be held March 7th.

MEMBERSHIP/ATTENDANCE:

- Shelly Paddock was absent, but notified staff
- Brian Sund was absent, and did not notify staff.
- The two new proposed members should hopefully be seated prior to next month's meeting.

NEXT MEETING/AGENDA:

- Food Waste Recovery
- Bylaws review

MEETING REVIEW:

Good meeting.

MOTION: Bob moved to adjourn the meeting.

Discussion: None

Abstentions: None

Dissensions: None

Results: Motion passed.

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