

**MARION COUNTY
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL**

MINUTES OF THE SWMAC MEETING

Tuesday, October 24, 2017
5:30-7:30 PM

Commissioner Conference Room
555 Court Street NE
Salem, OR 97301

PRESENT: Members: Joe Fowler, Bonnie Sullivan, Darby Randklev,
Keith Bondaug-Winn, Chris Ream, Judy Skinner, Brian Sund, Will Posegate
Staff: Bailey Payne, Jolene Kelley, Commissioner Janet Carlson
Public: Pete Grell, David Leer, Clay Moore, Tim Rice

ABSENT: Brian May, Bob Anderson, Rich Dysinger, Chris Ream

CONSENT

MOTION: Darby Randklev moved to approve August 2017 and the September 2017 meeting minutes. Motion was seconded by Will Posegate.

DISCUSSION: June minutes: Brian Sund was in attendance; he had come in and did not sign in. Thank you again for your membership needs to be deleted. Also, need to add Spencer Karel as one of the presenters for the EM & ES Presentation.

July minutes: When having a tour it's not really a meeting because we are not conducting business so we don't have to have minutes just a summary.

August minutes: On the future topics for October there was the GBB update on our solid waste system. Bonnie talked to Brian about this and she believes that this was supposed to be a part of our management plan and the RFP's haven't even gone out to redo our management plan. Bonnie just questioned why that was a future topic.

RESULTS: Minutes approved.

ADMINISTRATIVE (Information/Action):

PUBLIC INPUT: None

AGENDA REVIEW:

- Need to talk about the holiday party.
- Need to review the September tour.
- Tours are not meetings so we need to address the July 25th minutes.

RECYCLING MARKET CONDITION UPDATE – Will Posegate & Clay Moore

- Beginning January 1, 2018 China will not receive import of low grade plastic and assorted papers. This is basically our comingle recyclables.
- Three components for this restriction:
 - Ban on all unsorted paper.
 - It's a reduction of contamination with a threshold of .3%, as of January 1st all scrap material imported to China may not exceed a .3% of contamination rate.

- Suspension of all new license approval. So to be a buyer in China you have to have a license for approval. Right now China has frozen all those applications.
- What is recycling contamination? It's contamination of materials that is not collected as recycling, or mixed or baled together. Processors now have to go through a bale inspection.
 - We have Senate Bill 253 and we need to work with the counties and cities to educate the public.
 - Pay attention to your local recycling services, when in doubt throw it out.
- DEQ has a nice website and they are committed to everyone in Oregon to stay unified on this, they have also created a news section
 - DEQ website: <http://www.oregon.gov/deq/mm/Pages/Recycling-Markets>
- The goal is to work with the county and come up with a program to create a plan where we can keep the material moving and there will not be a change at the curb. Also to educate the consumer as to what is clean and what is dirty. Not to try and pull materials and go to a single sort string because in the end that education process will take too long. How can we work with our processors to deal with this material yet keep it consistent for collection purposes?

IMPACT ON MARION COUNTY HAULERS & RESIDENTS – David Leer & Pete Grell

- We talk about recycling in three categories:
 1. Fiber which is old corrugated cardboard and mixed waste
 2. Plastics, rigid plastics, 3 through 7 plastics, #2 natural, #2 color, P.E.T (polyethylene terephthalate)
 3. Metals, aluminum, various metals and tin that we recycle
- Fiber – The old newspaper and mixed waste when down from \$93 a ton to \$4 a ton. This doesn't even cover our shipping cost anymore.
- Plastics – Mixed rigid plastics is done \$105 since January and now it's at a negative and we have to pay \$55 a ton to get rid of it. 3 through 7 plastics, we have to pay to get rid of it. We pay \$110 a ton to get rid of it. #2 natural, #2 color and PET's we also still have a market and we get \$100 a ton which is down \$85 a ton.
- Metals have stayed strong. We have a good outlet for metals.

MARION COUNTY COMMUNICATION PLAN – Jolene Kelley & Bailey Payne

- Marion County is working to make sure that the message is getting out about recycling and to make sure that all the cities are on the same page.
- There are meetings that are happening with the haulers association to be kept up to speed as to why these changes are happening.
- Marion County is looking at some different outreaches to let people understand the impact on not recycling the right materials.

DISCUSSION OF SUBCOMMITTEES – Bonnie Sullivan

- Residential and Commercial subcommittees, should we still keep these committees?
- We definitely should keep the Nomination and Bylaws committees.
- The whole council should be involved with the Education committee.
- With the new members on the council it might be time for a training again.
- We need to be transparent with whatever we are doing and follow our bylaws and public meeting records.
- There will be binders for all council members that will have the SWMAC Bylaws and Handbook in it as well as other information.

FUTURE TOPICS/EMERGING ISSUES/OTHER BUSINESS (Information/Discussion):

Announcements:

- Holiday Party will be on Tuesday, December 5, 2017 starting at 5:30. Place is to be determined, we will possibly have it at the Salem Transitional Center again.
- Association of Oregon Recyclers (A.O.R) is have a forum on November 15, 2017.

Other Business:

- None

Staff Updates:

- Art Calendar – we didn't get a large number like in years past but we certainly got a lot of quality. Griselda is working on organizing that now.
- There will be a tour of the MRRF in Brooks on November 7th and anyone who wasn't able to attend the last tour is welcome to come on this tour.
- There are a couple of new EarthWise businesses including the Restore store in Woodburn.
- Brian is working on getting the Solid Waste Management plan updated.
- Our Master Recycler class had a good tour of several facilities. We have 32 people in the class and have two weeks left.

Upcoming Events:

- The Salem Progressive Film series downtown has an upcoming movie called "Death by Design" and afterwards they have guest speakers. Jared Wimp with Garten Services will be one of the guest speakers.

Future Agenda Topics:

- None

Membership/Attendance:

- Brian May, Bob Anderson, Rich Dysinger, and Chris Ream were absent

Meeting Review:

- The presentations tonight were very good and informative.

Motion to close the meeting:

Meeting Adjourned at 7:10 p.m.