

**SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL
Marion County**

Meeting Minutes

Date: October 24, 2023
Time: 5:30pm -7:30pm
Logistics: Marion County Board of Commissioners Room: Attendance in-person

PRESENT:

Members: Bonnie Sullivan, Judy Skinner, Keith Bondaug-Winn, Julie Jackson, Ryan Zink, Will Posegate, Joe Fowler, Brian Sund, Scott Gagner

Staff: Brian May, Rachel VanWoert, Dakota Tangredi, Natalie Tomaszewski, Cory Swartwout

Guests: Brad Barker – SWMAC Candidate, Darren Nicholas – Benton County, Daniel Redick – Benton County

ABSENT: Kevin Hines

QUORUM: Yes

ADMINISTRATIVE (Information/Discussion/Action)

Keith Bondaug-Winn called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm.

Member and Staff Introductions: Done.

Approval of September 26, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Motion: Ryan moved to approve minutes; Will seconded.

Discussion: Bonnie noted errors on attendance.

Results: A voice vote is unanimous – motion passes with changes.

Public Input: None.

Keith noted that Brad Barker’s appointment has been delayed and sought approval from Council to allow Brad to be part of the conversation; A voice vote is unanimous – Council agreed.

Guests Darren Nichols and Daniel Redick – Benton County

Brian welcomed guest speakers Darren Nichols and Daniel Redick from Benton County.

Darren introduced himself as Community Development Director and Daniel introduced himself as Solid Waste & Water Quality Coordinator.

Guest speakers shared a PowerPoint titled “Sustainable Materials Management Planning Process – Lessons Learned and Next Steps”. Topics included Public Involvement – “Benton County Talks Trash”, Stakeholder Engagement, Management Plan RFP Development, Scope, and Estimated RFP Schedule.

Dakota asked if there needed to be a problem before inviting Oregon Consensus for third-party negotiation or can there be some preplanning; Darren commented that it just takes a phone call.

Keith asked who put together the binder with the transparency documents; Darren mentioned that it was Daniel and a colleague of theirs with the help of the Facilitation Team. Keith asked if the Facilitation Team was part of Oregon Consensus; Darren said that the Facilitation Team is part of Oregon Consensus.

Keith asked if there was a way to create connect different Waste Management plans; Darren mentioned that he would love to work together to make those connections.

Brian asked if there was cooperative language in the RFP; Darren asked what Brian would like to see. Brian the ability for another jurisdiction to piggyback on their contract; Darren commented that he didn’t believe they did. Daniel mentioned that the agreement piece of it is an attachment to their contract but may be separate and they will look into it.

Brad asked what the timeframe for Benton Countys plan; Daniel mentioned that it was flexible but framed the RFP to work with the 2040 timeline as a long-term vision and called out short term action items of 5 years or less so that they weren’t just looking long term.

Staff Updates

Brian shared that the Cost of Service Analysis (COSA) public hearing has been delayed. The Board has asked staff to provide more information.

Brian shared that Covanta is up to capacity and a lot of our material is being diverted to Coffin Butte.

Brian shared that Alvin will be providing more legislative updates in the future.

Brian introduced Cory Swartwout who is taking over for Natalie. Cory shared his background with the Council. Cory will be taking over the Environmental Services email if you need to contact him.

Rachel shared that they are getting ready to do their third round of EarthWISE grants and this year they will be working on grants in a three-track. This year Marion County Environmental Services will not be accepting any proposals that are strictly recycling or compost. Rachel also shared that this year they will be offering grants in Spanish and will be working on getting a Russian version of the grant as well. Information will be sent out via GovDelivery, social media and our website.

Dakota introduced the new Marion Resourcers Movement website for Marion County's volunteer program and the innovative work that's being done on reduce, reuse, repair issues. If anyone wants to become a Marion Resourcers, the next training will be in Spring at YMCA in Salem.

Council Member Announcements

Bonnie shared about the holiday dinner. The holiday dinner will be on December 12th around 5:30 p.m. at Marion County Public Works. Bonnie shared her appreciation for the comments she received from those that were there at the last holiday gathering.

Meeting Attendance

Bonnie noted that Kevin Hines was absent and Julie Jackson arrived late.

Motion: Julie moves to adjourn, Will seconds.

Discussion: None.

Results: Motion passes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:31 pm.

Next meeting: *Tuesday, November 28, 2023 5:30-7:30pm*