



***City of Sioux Falls Solid Waste  
Planning Board Minutes  
Downtown Library  
200 N Dakota Avenue  
Tuesday, January 26, 2016; 5:30 pm***

**Call to Order/Roll Call**

A regular meeting of the Solid Waste Planning Board was called to order at 5:30 pm by Jessica Lantgen, Sustainability Coordinator. A quorum was present.

**Roll Call:**

Members Present:

Jessica Lantgen, Sustainability Coordinator  
Jake Anderson, Recycling Industry  
Representative  
Cindy Neuroth, Waste Hauling Industry  
Representative  
Ken Allender, Citizen Representative  
Deb Reinicke, Lake County Representative  
Jon Hanson, Lincoln County Representative  
Andy Berg, Environmental and Stormwater  
Manager  
Scott Anderson, Minnehaha County Planning  
Representative  
Greg Bertsch, Business Community  
Representative  
Doug Swenson, Citizen Representative

Members Absent:

Anthony Pizer, Citizen Representative  
Nancy Korkow, McCook County  
Representative  
Dustin Hansen, SFRSL Superintendent  
Mick Miller, Turner County Representative  
Merle Wollman, SD Multi-Housing  
Association Representative

Others present:

Trent Lubbers, City of Sioux Falls; Marissa Gunderson, Millennium Recycling; Butch Hanssen, Novak Sanitary; Todd Sandman; Sandman Sanitary; Dan Neuroth, D&C Solid Waste; Diane Best, Legal Advisor to Sioux Falls Public Works; Troy Lambert, Environmental and Sustainability Technician.

**Approval of Agenda**

**A motion was made by Deb Reinicke and seconded by Cindy Neuroth to approve the revised meeting agenda.**

Vote to approve: Yeses, Allender, J. Anderson, Berg, S. Anderson, Neuroth, Bertsch, Swenson, Reinicke, Hanson, 9. Noes, 0. **Motion passed.**

## **Approval of Minutes**

**A motion was made by Jon Hanson and seconded by Cindy Neuroth to approve the minutes of the Solid Waste Planning Board meeting of October 27, 2015.**

Vote to approve: Yeses, Allender, J. Anderson, Berg, S. Anderson, Neuroth, Bertsch, Swenson, Reinicke, Hanson, 9. Noes, 0. **Motion passed.**

### **Introduction—Jessica Lantgen, Sustainability Coordinator**

New Board Members:

1. Greg Bertsch, Business Community Representative
2. Doug Swenson, Citizen Representative

Reminder - Board Member Term Expirations:

1. Cindy Neuroth - Waste Hauling Industry Representative Term Expires January 2016
  - a. Applications Received – City Council will determine next representative on February 2<sup>nd</sup>.
2. Merle Wollman - SD Multi-Housing Association Representative Term Expires January 2016
  - a. No applications received at this time.
3. Nancy Korkow - McCook County Representative Term Expires April 2016

### **Continuing Business**

1. Landfill Report – Trent Lubbers
  - State landfill inspection occurred on December 30, 2015
  - Inspection found plastic and cardboard in the C&D area
  - Annual LFG pipeline inspection occurred at the end of December – No issues were found
  - Gas well recirculation lateral is up for bid – Bid closes on January 28, 2016 – Construction projected to start in April and be completed by July
  - Progress is being made in accepting produce waste for composting pending an update to the landfill’s Surface Water Discharge Permit
  - Pilot project for box scraping is going well- further evaluation of the program needed to assess cost of the service
  - Four consulting firms submitted solid waste master plan proposals – Consulting firm to be selected by early March
  - Air space utilization factor for 2015
    - MSW permitted landfill remained the same at 2080
    - C&D increased by two years
  - Statistics for 2015
    - MSW down from 168,928 tons in 2014 to 161,000 tons in 2015
    - C&D down from 92,000 tons in 2014 to 86,577 tons in 2015
  - Hauler licenses have been sent out for 2016
  - Possible licensing changes for haulers coming in 2017
    - Insurance requirements for general commercial liability will increase from \$250,000 per occurrence and \$500,000 aggregate to \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate
    - Workers compensation requirement
    - Landfill payments must be current
    - Financial assurance required for six months of waste disposal charges

2. Environmental Report – Jessica Lantgen, Sustainability Coordinator
  - Industry meeting will be held at the Environmental Center on February 11, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.
  - 2015 Updates
    - 2015 Total HHW Reused up 18% from 2014
    - 2015 Total HHW Recycled up 24% from 2014
    - 2015 Total E-waste Recycled up 1.6% from 2014
    - 2015 Total Facility Visits up 4% from 2014
    - Residential Waste Hauler MSW in 2015 down from 2014
    - Residential Waste Hauler recyclables up in 2015 from 2014
    - Yard waste down in 2015 from 2014
  - Upcoming Programs and Events
    - Magic of Recycling March 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>
    - Recycling Education Kits now available
    - Needle Disposal Program
      1. 10,396 pounds or roughly 1,403,460 needles in 2015
      2. Added additional pharmacy – Pharmacy Specialist Inc.
      3. Additional pharmacies interested – Contract renewal in August
    - Anticipated completion of recycling reports - End of February
    - Goal announcement mid-March
  - Recycling Education Campaign Update
    - Campaign launched December 8, 2015
    - Billing inserts out to Sioux Falls households in February (4<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>)
    - Printed flyers now available to pick up at Environmental Division offices
    - Final bin sticker size ~4.5” x 6” horizontal
    - Radio and TV campaign in February
    - Annual review meeting in September
3. Recycling Industry Report – Jake Anderson, Millennium Recycling
  - Markets
    - Commodity markets remain static with lower global demand
    - Weak Chinese markets
    - No significant changes expected throughout 2016
  - Improvements in the quality of inbound material has been noticed within the last couple weeks
4. Solid Waste Industry Report – Cindy Neuroth
  - Customer response to public education efforts have been positive
5. Citizen Representative Report – Ken Allender
  - Citizens have showed appreciation for the new recycling education campaign and standardized recycling information
  - Citizens are happy with the selection of waste haulers in the City

- Citizens have voiced concern over the amount of trash in the ditches along 41<sup>st</sup> street.
- Concerns have also been raised about the number of garbage trucks on the city streets and the time of day that they are present.
- Citizens have asked why there is not weekly pickup of recycling

## **Unfinished Business**

- No Unfinished Business

## **New Business**

1. 2015 Goal Review - Jessica Lantgen
  - ***Fixed meeting schedule and rotating location.***
    1. In 2015 the board voted to meet the last Tuesday of the first month of each quarter. The board voted to continue this schedule in 2016 and has agreed upon the Main Library as the meeting location.
    2. A landfill tour was scheduled for 2015 but was cancelled due to lack of participation. The board will try to schedule another tour in 2016.
  - ***Review and weigh in on sustainability master plan.***
    1. The board was updated of the Sustainability Master Plan's waste minimization goals and progress during the third quarter of 2015.
  - ***Evaluate makeup of the board.***
    1. Council approved the board's recommendation to replace the City of Madison's position on the board with a member of the business community in September of 2015.
  
2. 2016 Goal Proposal - Jessica Lantgen
  - Reevaluate recycling rate calculation.
  - Pilot a produce organics collection program.
  - Update and improve language in Chapter 57 ordinances.
  - Pilot a residential scrap metal recycling program.
  - Update benchmark communities' progress in terms of waste diversion and recycling.
    1. Board members will be asked to choose their top three initiatives for the board to focus on in 2016.

## **Other Business**

### **Public Input**

1. Butch Hanssen appreciated the review of our recycling program and the possibility of counting more material as recyclable. He would like the City to consider counting shingles, metal and beneficially reused concrete as recyclable material.

## **Adjournment**

**A motion was made by Jake Anderson and seconded by Cindy Neuroth to adjourn the meeting at 6:10 p.m.**

Vote to approve: Yeses, Allender, J. Anderson, Berg, S. Anderson, Neuroth, Bertsch, Swenson, Reinicke, Hanson, 9. Noes, 0. **Motion passed.**