



City of Sioux Falls Solid Waste Planning Board Minutes

Downtown Library

200 N. Dakota Ave.

Tuesday, April 25, 2017; 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
Cindy Neuroth, Waste Hauling Industry
Representative
Andy Berg, Environmental and Stormwater
Manager
Greg Bertsch, Business Community
Representative
Doug Swenson, Citizen Representative
*Anthony Pizer, Citizen Representative
Deb Reinicke, Lake County Representative
Gerald Gerken, SD Multi-Housing Association
Benjamin Tiensvold, Citizen Representative

Members Absent:

Nancy Korkow, McCook County
Representative
Lyle Van Hove, Turner County
Representative
Scott Anderson, Minnehaha County Planning
Representative
Jake Anderson, Recycling Industry
Representative
Jon Hanson, Lincoln County Representative
Dustin Hansen, SFRSL Superintendent

*Arrived after roll call

Others present:

Greg Dix, DJ's Sanitary Service; Perry Schempp, Marv's of Sioux Falls; Justin & Ruby Zuraff, Roo's Sanitary Service; Butch Hanssen, Novak Sanitary Service; Jeff McNamara, Novak Sanitary Service; Bruce Williams, Millennium Recycling; Diane Best, Legal Advisor to Sioux Falls Public Works; Don Kuper, City of Sioux Falls Public Works; Troy Lambert, City of Sioux Falls Public Works; Michael Cook, Burns McDonnell; Luke Rodig, Burns McDonnell.

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Doug Swenson and seconded by Deb Reinicke to approve the meeting agenda.

Vote to approve: Yeses, Berg, Neuroth, Reinicke, Bertsch, Swenson, Tiensvold, Gerken 7.
Noes, 0. **Motion passed.**

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Deb Reinicke and seconded by Cindy Neuroth to approve the minutes of the Solid Waste Planning Board meeting of January 31, 2016.

Vote to approve: Yeses, Berg, Neuroth, Reinicke, Bertsch, Swenson, Tiensvold, Gerken 7. Noes, 0. **Motion passed.**

Introduction—Jessica Lantgen, Sustainability Coordinator

1. Board member term expirations
 - a. Jake Anderson- Recycling Industry Representative, term expires July 2017
 - b. Anthony Pizer- Citizen Representative, term expires July 2017

Continuing Business

1. Landfill Report – Don Kuper
 - 1st Quarter 2017 MSW tonnage = 40,300 (Consistent with 1st Quarter 2016)
 - 1st Quarter 2017 C&D tonnage = 15,500 (Consistent with 1st Quarter 2016)
 - 2017 Landfill Projects
 - Solid Waste Master Plan Update
 - HDR plans to have the first draft prepared by mid-May
 - CIP Site Projects
 - Asphalt work
 - Plumbing work
 - Replace HVAC in shop and office buildings
 - Project NICE/KEEP week of April 24th
 - 3rd Annual SFRSL Route Cleanup to be held Saturday April 29th
 - 8am – Noon
 - Lunch will be provided
2. Environmental Report – Jessica Lantgen, Sustainability Coordinator
 - Recycling Goal announcement 23.2%
 - Down 0.4% from 2016
 - 3 haulers failed to meet the recycling standard of 18.9% in 2016
 - Sioux Falls Sanitation, Waste Management, Dakota Disposal.
 - 12 regional elementary schools hosted the Magic of Recycling show the week of March 6th
 - Recycling education
 - Recycling education kits are being reserved
 - Earth Day and other events
 - Party for the Planet
 - Classroom visits
 - Girl Scout BIG Event
 - Bowden Youth Center Visit
 - Earned media

- KSFY Morning Show
 - Billboard ads in March
 - Billing inserts will go out in April
 - Recycling guides are available for pickup at the Environmental Center
 - Quarterly reports will be generated the week of May 1st
 - The quarterly reports will have the hauler's recycling rate w/ and w/o yard waste for reference
 - Initial analysis shows MSW is up compared to Q1 of 2016 resulting in a slightly lower overall recycling rate
 - HHW recycling is up ~25,000 pounds compared to the 1st quarter of 2016
 - Electronics recycling is down ~40,000 pounds compared to the 1st quarter of 2016
 - HHW Facility visits are up
3. Recycling Industry Report
- No Report
4. Solid Waste Industry Report – Cindy Neuroth
- No Report
5. Citizen Representative Report – Doug Swenson
- Still a certain amount of confusion among residents on what can and cannot be recycled.
 - Residents surprised with the number of garbage haulers, but have no complaints
 - Significant amounts of garbage along township roads
6. Business Representative Report - Greg Bertsch
- Recycling rates have remained relatively flat since 2012
 - Look into commercial opportunities to increase recycling rate
 - Met with Avera leadership regarding commercial recycling
 - Avera has an interest in improving their recycling and sustainability initiatives.
 - Possible ideas and starting points could include:
 - Engage with departmental managers that handle day-to-day operations to determine what can be done to improve recycling
 - Engage employees through workplace training
 - Identify systematic improvements
 - Possible grant funding available to implement pilot programs
 - May seek participation from additional SWPB members to form a task force

Unfinished Business

1. 2017 Board Initiatives

- Update and review improvements to Chapter 57 – Diane Best
 - City will begin initial review process to update the ordinances and make them current
 - Ordinance revisions will then be brought to the ORS

- Tour recycling facilities – Andy Berg
 - Tour scheduled for May 11th at 1:30pm
 - Contact Andy if you are interested in attending the tour

- Improve recycling at convenience stores – Ben Tiensvold
 - Task force has met twice
 - Two gas stations have been identified
 - Hy-Vee
 - Kum-N Go
 - Upcoming task force meetings:
 - Presentation with Hy-Vee store directors
 - Meeting with Kum-N-Go regional manager

2. Yard Waste Policy – Andy Berg

- City Council Informational Meeting Set for July 18th

New Business

1. No New Business

Other Business

1. Solid Waste Management Master Plan (SWMMP) Update - Jessica Lantgen

- Key Points
 - Possible grants to assist in implementing strategies to increase recycling
 - Dedicated Recycling Webpage
 - Focus more on why people should recycle
 - Enforcement is the biggest challenge
 - Privacy concerns
 - Cost
 - Collection
 - The City has limited licenses in the past, but no longer does
 - Elected officials want to promote free enterprise
- Contact Jessica if you would like a copy of the HDR's presentation

2. Landfill Route Litter Cleanup Event - Don Kuper

- 3rd Annual SFRSL Route Cleanup to be held Saturday April 29th
 - 8am – Noon

- Lunch will be provided

3. C&D Recycling Initiative - Greg Bertsch

- SWMMP research indicates C&D is the source of 29.4% of waste generated.
- Hauler recycling has held between 20% - 23.5% since 2012.
- Planned Next Steps:
 - Dustin Hansen will present at the HBA Remodeling Council in June.
 - Key points:
 - a. Overview of the Sioux Falls Landfill
 - b. Requirements imposed on haulers.
 - c. Proper roll-off content
 - d. Recycling
 - Assemble a team or task force to study the following:
 - Industry education initiative
 - Potential process improvement opportunities
 - Repurposing programs
 - Enforcement

Public Input

- Novak has done some waste audits at Avera
 - Feasibility is the main concern to any recycling initiatives
 - Other concerns
 - Contamination
 - Difficult to market recycling appropriately at facilities with cliental from different areas
 - Storage of material
- Possibility of removing glass from Single stream
 - Glass is not banned from the landfill or a mandatory recyclable
 - Haulers may decide whether they want to collect it from their customers, but the City will not discourage glass recycling

Adjournment

A motion was made by Anthony Pizer and seconded by Cindy Neuroth to adjourn the meeting at 6:09 p.m.

Vote to approve: Yeses, Berg, Neuroth, Reinicke, Bertsch, Swenson, Pizer, Tiensvold, Gerken
8. Noes, 0. **Motion passed.**