

The regular meeting of the Solid Waste Management Planning Committee of the County of Calhoun was held on Monday, January 11, 2010 at 4:30 p.m. at the Calhoun County Road Commission, 13300 Fifteen Mile Road, Marshall, Michigan 49068.

Committee Members Present:            Lewis Cooper                    Steve Essling  
   Mike Myszka                    Ken Kohs  
   Walt Obrinske                 Brandy Cherney

Committee Members Absent:            Arnold Arquette                John LaForge  
   Terris Todd                    Cheryl Vosburg

Also Present:                                Tiffany Eichorst, Solid Waste Director  
   Mary Jo Crumpton, Calhoun County Road Commission

Tiffany Eichorst, Solid Waste Director, called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m. and led the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Selection of Officers for 2010**

**Motion made by Ken Kohs to nominate Walt Obrinske for 2010 Chairman. Mr. Obrinske declined the nomination.**

**Motion made by Lewis Cooper and supported by Steve Essling to nominate Mike Myszka for 2010 Chairman. Voice vote: Motion carried.**

**Motion made by Ken Kohs and supported by Steve Essling to nominate Brandy Cherney for 2010 Vice Chairman. Voice vote: Motion carried.**

The meeting was turned over to Chairman Mike Myszka.

**Motion made by Ken Kohs and supported by Walt Obrinske to approve the January 11, 2010 meeting agenda. Voice vote: Motion carried.**

**Motion made by Ken Kohs and supported by Lewis Cooper to approve the regular meeting minutes of March 9, 2009. Voice vote: Motion carried.**

### **SWMPC REAPPOINTMENTS**

The following members have requested reappointment through 12-31-11:

- Arnold Arquette, General Public
- Brandy Cherney, Solid Waste Industry
- Lewis Cooper, General Public
- Steve Essling, Solid Waste Industry
- John LaForge, General Public
- Mike Myszka, Industrial Waste Generator

**Motion made by Ken Kohs and supported by Walt Obrinske to recommend to the Calhoun County Board of Commissioners the reappointment of the members listed above for a two-year term 1/10/10 – 12/31/2011. Voice vote: Motion carried.**

The resignations of John Bomba, General Public, and Marilyn Hennon, Environmental Interest were noted.

Committee members noted their concerns with absenteeism and asked Tiffany to check with the County regarding their guidelines for Boards and Committees.

Discussion took place on the committee's name, Solid Waste Management Planning Committee, and it was noted that we are not in a planning phase at this time. It was suggested that the committee's name be changed to Solid Waste Management Planning Oversight Committee or Solid Waste Management Planning Advisory Committee.

Tiffany stated that she would also check with the County on membership and filling vacancies.

**SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FUND (SWMF)**

***Calhoun County Environmental Health Department:*** Tiffany noted that Bob Overley, Environmental Health Department, was unable to attend the meeting but provided committee members with the report on the amount of materials collected at the household hazardous waste collections held in 2009. No dates for the 2010 collections are available at this time, since the County is rebidding this service. Ken Kohs emphasized the need to ensure these materials are being handled properly, per requirements, and requested a copy of the bid. Mike Myszka commented that he hopes the 2010 collection dates for household hazardous waste are available at the next meeting.

***2011 Budget Subcommittee Appointments:*** Tiffany stated that over the past few years, the committee has appointed a Budget Subcommittee to review and make recommendations to the Solid Waste Committee on the upcoming year's budget.

**Motion made by Ken Kohs and supported by Walt Obrinske to appoint Mike Myszka, Brandy Cherney, Steve Essling, and Lewis Cooper to the 2011 Budget Subcommittee. Voice vote: Motion carried.**

Tiffany will email the subcommittee members with potential February meeting dates.

***2009 Events:*** Information was provided in the agenda packets on the Spring and Fall Tire and Appliance, as well as Electronics Collections, including one that was held on a regional basis. Tiffany noted that radio advertising was used this year and while it is more expensive than written advertisements, there was a better turnout this past year.

Discussion took place on the requirements imposed on retailers to take back old appliances and electronics at the time of new purchases. It was suggested that educational materials be provided during the collections with alternate drop-off options.

***2010 Events:*** The Electronic Collection is scheduled for Saturday, April 17, 2010 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. The Spring Tire and Appliance Collection will be held April 26, through May 1, 2010. All events are posted on the Garbee website.

***Community Compost Center:*** The budget for the Compost Center and information on compost material dropped off and picked up was provided in the agenda packet. Tiffany reminded the committee that they budgeted \$14,200 for the Center in 2010. The variance in the cost for compost/wood chips is due to whether or not the material was loaded by the attendant. Committee members agreed that the reporting by the City of Marshall was a big improvement over prior years.

***2010 SWMPC Meeting Schedule:*** The draft meeting schedule was provided. Meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of January, March, May, and October.

**Motion made by Steve Essling and supported by Lewis Cooper to approve the 2010 Solid Waste Management Planning Committee meeting schedule. Voice vote: Motion carried.**

**MEMBERS COMMENTS**

- Mike Myszka wished everyone a Happy New Year.
- Walt Obrinske asked about tire pick up by township officials.
- Lewis Cooper mentioned that he has seen the newspaper articles on watershed planning.
- Steve Essling provided DEQ updates and information on House Bills.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, March 8, 2010 at 4:30 p.m.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 5:31 p.m.

Submitted by:

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Mary Jo Crumpton

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Mike Myszka, Chairman