

THURSTON COUNTY
SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes of May 1, 2019
9605 Tilley Rd. S., Suite B, Olympia, WA

ROLL CALL:		Alternate (A)
		Excused (E)
		Not Present (NP)
		Present (P)
Members	Interest/Organization	
Jim Cooper (<i>Gary Franks</i>)	City of Olympia	P
Gary Edwards	Thurston County Commissioners' Office	P
E.J. Zita (<i>Joe Downing</i>)	Port of Olympia	P
Joan Cathey	City of Tumwater	P
Michael Steadman (<i>Lenny Greenstein</i>)	City of Lacey	P
Dave Watterson	City of Tenino	P
E.J. Curry	City of Yelm	P
Greg Schoenbachler	District #1, Citizen Representative and Agricultural Representative	P
Burton Guttman	District #2, Citizen Representative	P
Renee Radcliff Sinclair (Vice Chair)	District #3, Citizen Representative	P
Delroy Cox (<i>John Cox</i>)	Industry Representative – Refuse	P
Chad Sutter	Industry Representative – Recycling	P
Daniel Venable	Business Representative	NP

Staff Present: Jennifer Walker, Gerald Tousley and Angela Celestine – Public Works; Art Starry, Chris Hawkins and Patrick Soderberg – Public Health and Social Services.

Guests Present: Peter Guttchen and Peter Lyon – Department of Ecology; Jeff Harwood – LeMay/Waste Connections, Steve Gilmore – Republic Services.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The May 1, 2019 Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) meeting was called to order by the Chair Michael Steadman at 10:00 am.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES

Dave Watterson made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 3, 2019 SWAC meeting and the Agenda for the May 1, 2019 SWAC meeting; Delroy Cox seconded the motion. The committee, with E.J. Curry abstaining, voted and unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

3. NEW BUSINESS

Update of Solid Waste Management Plan process (requested by SWAC)

Gerald Tousley presented an overview of the Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP) process. He explained that Thurston County Solid Waste had responded to comments received from the Department of Ecology (DOE) and was now waiting for DOE's final review and approval before moving forward. Gerald stated that the updated SWMP was posted to the Thurston County Solid Waste website, and the DOE's comments and the county's subsequent responses were in Appendix H of the updated SWMP.

Peter Lyon asked if this draft of the SWMP was a revised preliminary draft or a final draft. Gerald and Jennifer Walker clarified that what was submitted was in response to DOE's initial comments and recommendations to the preliminary SWMP draft.

Delroy Cox expressed concern that some of the data in the SWMP draft may be outdated and suggested that the SWAC review the document again before moving forward. E.J. Zita and Joan Cathey voiced support. Peter Guttchen reported that some of the data in the April 2019 draft received by DOE had been updated by the consultant. Gary Franks stated that the data should be updated before the SWAC does a review of the current SWMP.

The committee expressed concern that the April 2019 revised draft was not brought to the SWAC for review before it was submitted to DOE.

Gary Franks suggested information or supporting documentation for topics on the agenda be disseminated prior to the SWAC meetings so members can prepare in advance, and the SWAC agreed. Jennifer referred to the April 3, 2019 minutes and reiterated that requests for information would be addressed; the County is committed to working with the SWAC as a team moving forward.

Update of SWAC 2019 Work Plan (requested by staff)

Renee Radcliff Sinclair proposed the June 5, 2019 meeting agenda include the following items: review of the current draft SWMP along with presentations about SWMP revisions and its review process by the County, DOE, and the consultant. Then the committee will begin updating the SWMP chapter by chapter.

4. OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

5. ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

In respect of time, there was no roundtable discussion. The May 1, 2019 SWAC meeting adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

The next SWAC meeting is scheduled for June 5, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. located at 9605 Tilley Rd. S., Building C, Rainier Room, Olympia, WA 98512.

Audio files of these meeting minutes are available upon request.