

**Clark County
Solid Waste Advisory Commission
Regular Meeting**

Thursday, October 6th, 2016
6:00 - 8:00pm

Clark County Elections Building
1408 Franklin Street
Vancouver, WA

SWAC Members Present: Allan Jeska, Scott Campbell, Rich McConaghy, Alixandra Coker, Steven Willis

SWAC Members Excused: Simone Auger, Rem Wilson

SWAC Members Unexcused: Brandon Vick

Staff Present: Chuck Harman, Kim Harless, Jana Kearns

Others: Tanya Gray, City of Vancouver; Scott Campbell, Waste Connections;

I. Roll Call, Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Rich, seconded by Allan, to approve the minutes for the September 1st meeting as written, unanimously approved.

II. Updates

County Public Health

- Solid Waste Operations – Kim Harless
 - Next meeting at Center for Community Health.
 - Property acquisition for the turn lane at Leichner Landfill is very close. There will be an update in November by Mike or Derek.
 - Block foam fixed facility RFQ originally sent out but no quotes were submitted. Columbia Resource Company has now submitted a quote, contract is in the works. Central Transfer will be accepting soon. There will be a slow rollout. ARC SW has also shown interest.
 - Med Take Back Event - SWEO is looking at issues/concerns regarding proper transportation and possible location for drop off at Public Health. Next event is Sat. Oct 22.
 - Outreach has a new Americorp that started Monday, October 3 and recruiting for 4 more.
 - Green Neighbors birthday celebration on October 16 at Water Recourse Center. Robert Michael Pyle will be speaking.
 - WormShops and Backyard Composting – both upcoming workshops are full. Lots of interest. 20 people already signed up for the Master Composter program that starts in January; goal of 25 participants.
 - Green schools annual teachers training event went well last week. Green School Summit on November 3 at Clark College.
 - Oct 20 – Green Business Morning Blend touring the transfer center.
 - Columbia Watershed Festival was last week. Pete and Michelle were both present as well as Waste Connections educators.

- Recycle Day Events – both successful. Clark College very full, majority attended for block foam and paper shredding. Battle Ground 413 participants.
- Regional SW Steering Committee meeting November 4 – one of the topics Recycling Day Events.
- Solid Waste Enforcement – Chuck Harman
 - Review changes to PH org chart
 - Mike and Kim now report to Chuck.
 - Andrew – Program coordinator for Program Policy, Coordination & Outreach for all Environmental Public Health programs.
 - Officer Manager and a couple of administrative support staff are in the process of being hired.
 - SWEO will be moving mid to late November.
 - CPG grant and a portion of Tipping fees from the transfer stations stay with Solid Waste, Water fees collected will remain with the Clean Water group. All other programs within Environmental Public Health are funded by fee funded not the general fund. Department of Ecology grants also fund Site Hazard Assessment and Local Source Control.
 - Enforcement – Melissa is caught up with the quarterly report for the grant and will be prepared for the next meeting.
 - October 26 9:00 – 10:00, PH to present post closure criteria to the Board of Health regarding the Circle C Landfill. If there are no major issues from the board a public comment period will be planned on the criteria to finalize.

City of Vancouver – Tanya Gray

- City and County leaf program started Oct 1- end of year. Coupon will be going out later this month for free leaf disposal. No raking or sweeping leaves into the street.
- Oct 22 – Make a difference day for Vancouver - pick up cigarette butts in the parks. Over 90 lbs picked up last year.

Waste Connections – Scott Campbell

- No additional

III. Bylaws Amendments Discussion

- Synopsis:
 - Meeting changes – meet quarterly, minimum 4 per year with opportunities for additional meetings. Add first Thurs and meetings are advertised.
 - Formatting changes.
 - Concern voiced regarding section II about changing the # of members to 10.
 - Discussion on attendance – change to Kim’s recommended comment on Bylaws draft.
 - Officers section –
 - Item C leave the same.
 - Item B terms are 2 years officers are 3 years.
 - Is email voting allowed? Brought up by Steven for transparency purposes. Kim and Chuck to look into.
 - In the event of a tie vote the president will make the final decision.
 - Addition of revision information with committee chair signature.
 - Staff responsibilities to be included.
 - Kim to revise and send communication.

IV. Agriculture & Southwest Representative Update

- News release for SW county position and only received 1 applicant – word of mouth is best form of recruitment.
- SWAC is out of compliance of RCW effective June 9, 2016 since there is not an agriculture representative. Potential representative could come from Master Gardner participant, WSU Ag community.
- Description and communication plan is in the works by Environmental Public Health.
- New handbook is under development by Kim for new members.

V. Recent Rule Making that effects SW Programs Legislative Update – Chuck Harman

- Rule making by Ecology – informal comment period is closed. Looking for input of board for additional comments for the next comment period.
- Rule 173/312 – Coordinated Prevention Grants and local SW Enforcement Grant Regulation coordination, FY alignment on the grant cycle. Combine both Rule 17313 and 312 and then eliminate 312 due to redundancy.
- Updating battery recycling codes and rules.
- Mercury containing lights program effective last month.
- CPG grant is not a competitive grant on regular cycle but based on population with a minimum of \$54,000 held aside for each county. Offset cycles have funds only available on competitive basis.

VI. Other Business – None

VII. Comments from the Public on Non-Agenda items – None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:13 pm