

Approved MINUTES
ADA COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING, Wednesday, Oct 25, 2023
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 a.m., In Person or WebEx

Rollcall- Steve Cory (chair), Richard Llewellyn (vice), Peter McCullough, James Pavelek, Sayard Schultz, Tracy Osborn.

Also Attending: Bruce Krisko, Tom Otte, Rebecca Weeks, Rachele Klein (for Bob Bennett), Catherine Chertudi, Mike Murgotio, Selena O-Neal, Jennifer Lightfoot, Chad Bordon, Eric Ziegenfuss, and Commissioner Ryan Davidson

Action Items

Agenda- approved

July 26, Draft Minutes- approved, no comments

Welcome: Steve

New Business

Some discussion on bylaws and order of business in bylaws vs. agenda. Tom will amend order of agenda topics to match bylaws for January meeting. Confirmed Sayard's role as voting member- as nominated by city and approved by board.

Old Business

a. HHW- mobile site changes

County giving power of mobile sites back to cities to run, contracted with county vendor. Need costs and location info from cities by January SWAC meeting. Cities can expand and contract mobile site programs as necessary. County will continue to collect HHW as currently doing. Contractor may change. Questions about needing to use county vendor. Request for language in contract to clarify acceptance of waste from different provider than the county. Is there a public entity clause?

Question about Star's participation- couldn't be reached. Letters were sent to mayors to assure that info got out. Request for cities (those on board) to be cced when mayors are contacted.

Will it be recommended that any Ada resident can go to any mobile site? County intent that this won't change. Best to keep the program as is. Good program. We can amend annually. 5-year contract, annual renewal. Outreach via mayors 14 days prior.

Letter requesting HHW info from cities by Jan 10.

Other Business

a. Additional topics

Last SWAC meeting for Bruce? Rachele mentions appreciation for his efforts.

Updates on draft diversion rates? In process- sludge, fiber, rubble. Incentivization draft in January- won't be manipulating rates but making sure that costs are covered. Cost of Service Study to begin at end of month. More accurate MSW rates. Been subsidizing recycling by 2.8 million/year. 3 strategic funds that

were not considered in previous study. How much time for cities to change rates? January target for numbers for October budget. FY25 rates adjustments- HHW and rates draft numbers. Request for letter to cities with info expressing desire for diversion rates. Goal to have rates finalized sooner than normal. Agreement that action is in accordance with Idaho code. Cities want plenty of time built in to adjust their numbers, outreach. Before July? County trying to button it up by late spring. Can't contract without dedicated funds. New contract starting Oct. 2024.

ISWA survey- Rachele will resend.

Fugitive methane? Yes, on county radar.

ADC foam- waiting for DEQ approval.

b. City Updates

- Boise- Question about SE Boise trash to Elmore Co. Not at the moment.
- Meridian- Meridian Arts Week opened new path for outreach. Leaf diversion- 9 sites and Transfer Station location.
- Garden City- Leaf bin, social media outreach- don't put leaves in street or gutter.
- Eagle- Leaf drop offs. Harvest Fest. Night of 1000 Pumpkins.
- Star- No Representative
- Kuna- Leaf kick off. 2 additional fully electric vehicles towards 100% plus solar panels and battery power- each truck and 800 homes/day. Will allow recycling route.

c. Contractor Updates

- **Republic Services-** 5 more electric trucks = 10 total. Currently charging city buses. Continuing bike program. Bikes from Landfill, bikes to Meridian Middle School and to folks without licenses through Police Dept. Meridian Transfer Station remodel ending Nov 1, then Boise Transfer. Both recycling centers remain open. Under contract to purchase Western Recycling- Nov 1?
- **Hardin Sanitation-** No one on the call
- **J&M Sanitation-** see Kuna
- **Timber Creek Recycling-** New retail site. Working on supplying reclaimed lumber. Compost pads for biosolids, sludges, food waste, grass, leaves. New production manager. Excited to contract with Ada Co Landfill. Concrete will be used onsite at Landfill. Ordering a de-packager for food waste.
- **Western Recycling-** No one on the call

Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, January 24, 10:30 - 12:00, new Landfill office

Adjournment