

# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

## **NORTHEAST INDIANA SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MEETING AGENDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**District Office**

**Tuesday, August 9, 2005  
6:30 PM**

### **Agenda**

- ⇒ 6:30 p.m. Call to Order
- ⇒ 6:32 p.m. Minutes of June 14, 2005
- ⇒ 6:35 p.m. Registry of Claims/Treasurer's Report
- ⇒ 6:40 p.m. Budget Issues: FY05 Order  
FY06 Draft for Advertising
- ⇒ 6:55 p.m. Executive Committee Report:
  - August Workshop Report
- ⇒ 7:15 p.m. Director's Report:
  - Programs/Operations: Compost Survey Report  
E-waste De-Manufacturing Costs  
ForeverGreen Update
  - Legislative Report: E-waste Bill; Energy Bill  
AISWMD Legislative Package
- ⇒ 7:35 p.m. Other Items Pending: Bartholomew Co. SWMD Tour
- ⇒ 7:40 p.m. Public Comment
- ⇒ 7:45 p.m. Adjourn

**Northeast Indiana Solid Waste Management District**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**August 9, 2005**

The Northeast Indiana Solid Waste Management District Board of Directors meeting began August 9, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. President, Harold Gingerich presided.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Don Kaufman, Donald VanWye, Mayor Norm Yoder, Roger Boots, Phil Curtis, Harold Gingerich, Jack Herendeen, Harold Uhl, Ronald Smith, Danny Putnam and Mayor Richard Hickman

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Chuck Ort, Connie Miles, George Bachman, Terry Helmer, Mark Pankop, Hal Stump, Mayor Suzanne Handshoe, F Mayo Sanders and James Crowl

**CAC PRESENT:** Colleen Hake Boyd

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY:** Andrew Kruse

**DISTRICT CONSULTANT:** JW Spear, Sr., P.E.

**PUBLIC PRESENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** Steve Christman, Pam DeCamp, Jennifer Franz and Linda Zirkle

Noting a **quorum present**, Harold Gingerich called the meeting to order.

**MINUTES:** Hearing no corrections or additions to the minutes of the June 14, 2005 meeting, a motion was made by Dan Putnam to approve the minutes. Seconded by Don Kaufman, motion carried. 11 yeas, 0 nays

**REGISTRY OF CLAIMS & TREASURER'S REPORT:** Steve reviewed the claims and treasurer's report. A motion to approve the Registry of Claims and Treasurer's Report was made by Mayor Richard Hickman. Motion seconded by Dan Putnam. Motion carried. 11 yeas, 0 nays

**Budget Status** – The District received the FY2005 approved budget order from the State DLGF for \$1,454,710. In the packages mailed to you was a summary prepared by Randy Tilbury of funds yet to be received for 2005.

Steve reviewed the Second Draft FY2006 budget for \$1,527,850. This is an increase from 2005 of 5% for advertising purposes. Steve noted staff salaries at a 3% increase and reviewed all other areas increased. At today's meeting, the Executive Committee, moved to recommend for advertising purposes the FY2006 budget at \$1,527,850. A Budget Hearing will be scheduled for September 1, 2005 at 6:00 PM. Legal ads and the budget hearing will be scheduled according to legal requirements.

A motion was made by Harold Uhl to follow the Executive Committee's recommendation for the FY2006 budget as stated. Motion seconded by Mayor Richard Hickman, motion carried. 11 yeas, 0 nays

Randy Tilbury has a meeting with George Helton, DLGF to review the 2006 budget tomorrow in Steuben County. Randy will report to Steve and any changes or recommendations will be reviewed at the September 13, 2005 Board meeting. After review and any changes necessary are made, the FY2006 budget will be adopted.

**Executive Committee Report:**

**August Workshop VI Report** – Harold Gingerich reported the workshop pertained to programs and the role that each program plays overall and was very productive. Therefore, Executive Committee asked staff to follow a summary form to evaluate each District program and report findings at the September 13, 2005 workshop. These facts are necessary to help with decisions the Board must make regarding supplementing the District's income. A fee structure or raising the tax levy will be topics for the upcoming workshops. Harold reviewed a summary of all the Indiana Solid Waste District's funding sources, mailed to Board members and CAC. Numerous Districts in the State have more than one funding source; Executive Committee, Legal Counsel, District Controller and staff are exploring how each work together. Harold believes with current funding, not all programs can be saved.

Ron Smith noted additional fees are becoming standard procedure to meet increasing costs. Ron shared a notice included with his garbage bill that has an explanation regarding the new monthly environmental fee, in addition to, the regular monthly bill.

### **Director's Report:**

**Operations/Programs** – A copy of the DeKalb and Steuben County Compost lot survey was reviewed. A clear finding from the survey revealed, no one wants to cut services, about 50% were in favor of a fee and about 50% said raise taxes to keep the service.

Jennifer Franz prepared an analysis report with findings from the three 501-C3 De-manufacturing contacts. This report was reviewed by Steve for the Board and noted details why the cost to use these non-profit contacts to recycle computers is prohibitive at this time. Harold Gingerich asked the Board members to look in the shop after the meeting to see the amount of electronics received in a two day period; keeping in mind yesterday a semi truck load was sent to Indianapolis for recycling. The question was asked if the District is mandated to recycle electronics. This is just an example of one program and a reinforcement to substantiate why each program must be evaluated.

Randy Cole with ForeverGreen Enterprises, Inc. sent a sample memorandum of understanding as requested by the Executive Committee. Andrew Kruse and Steve reviewed the draft and feel it is a good start, but not ready for a final draft. The Executive Committee directed Steve to respond to Randy Cole, they would like to continue talks and be updated for consideration of the Indiana location.

The annual PERF memo has been received from the State, and the approved employer contribution for 2006 is 5.25%, effective January 1, 2006.

The District applied for several grants to purchase 5 new dell computers and software for the office. Noble County Community Foundation approved \$2,125.00. The Noble REMC grant request was denied and the District is still waiting to hear from other grant requests.

Pam DeCamp reported she and Steve Christman visited Bartholomew County Solid Waste District in Columbus, IN. Pam noted she was very impressed with their facility and was reminded how our District is falling behind. They are doing a lot of the things our Board has talked about. Pam is sad to report NISWMD is no longer a leader in the State or even staying up to date.

**Legislative Update** – Steve Christman reviewed Legislative bills. On a Federal level the electronics issue and the energy policy act HR 6 that was mailed with the meeting packages was discussed. Harold Gingerich reviewed State legislative issues of interest for 2006.

**CAC Report** – Colleen Hake Boyd feels the District are taking the correct professional approach.

**Other Items Pending** – Steuben Compost lot now has electricity.

**Public Comment** – None

Motion to adjourn was made by Dan Putnam at 7:40 PM.