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## **PUBLIC NOTICE NORTHEAST INDIANA SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS DISTRICT OFFICE**

**Tuesday August 12, 2008  
6:30 P.M.**

### **Agenda**

- ⇒ 6:30 p.m. Call to Order
- ⇒ 6:32 p.m. Minutes of July 8, 2008
- ⇒ 6:35 p.m. Treasurer's Report/ Registry of Claims
- ⇒ 6:45 p.m. Executive Committee Report
  - Finance Committee, FY09 Budget
  - Programs & Operations Report
  - Legislative Issues
- ⇒ 7:20 p.m. Other Items Pending
- ⇒ 7:25 p.m. Public Comment
- ⇒ 7:30 p.m. Adjourn



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## Northeast Indiana Solid Waste Management District Board of Directors Meeting Minutes August 12, 2008

The Northeast Indiana Solid Waste Management District Board of Directors meeting began August 12, 2008 at 6:30 P.M. Ron Smith, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, presided **noting a quorum present.**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Don Kaufman, Mayor Norm Yoder, Fred Brown, Don Moore, Mayor Suzanne Handshoe, Ron Smith, Sara Tubergen, Mayor Richard Hickman and Loretta Smart

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Donald VanWye, Mayor David Wiant, Phil Curtis, Terry Helmer, Yvonne Eash, Mark Pankop and Mayor Patty Fisel

**CAC PRESENT:** Colleen Hake Boyd

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY:** Andrew Kruse

**PUBLIC PRESENT:** None

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

**MINUTES: ACTION ITEM #1 – Don Kaufman made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2008 Board of Directors meeting. Motion seconded by Mayor Richard Hickman. Motion carried. 9 yeas, 0 nays**

**TREASURER'S REPORT AND REGISTRY OF CLAIMS:** Treasurer's Report and Registry of Claims were reviewed for August 12, 2008. **ACTION ITEM #2 – A motion was made by Fred Brown to approve the Treasurer's Report and the Registry of Claims for August 12, 2008. Motion seconded by Sara Tubergen. Motion carried. 9 yeas, 0 nays**

### Executive Committee Report

**Finance Committee, FY09 Budget** – The FY2009 Budget, being considered by the Board, is currently being advertised following the legal guidelines in the local newspapers. The finance committee held a meeting this afternoon to discuss the budget. The following are items Don Moore has been asked, presented to the Finance Committee and addressed at the Executive Committee meeting. The Executive Committee will address these questions and report to the Board at the September 9, 2008 meeting. The FY2009 Budget will need to be adopted by the Board at the September 9, 2008, 6:30 P.M. meeting.

1. The District needs to examine take home vehicles since other Counties, Cities and the State are changing policies.
2. Health Insurance is paid 100% for two employees and not for others, is this legal?  
Recommended the District check on other health insurance providers for cost savings.
3. Cell phones and why roaming charges.
4. Need to address competitive bids for hauling, excavating and other services for the last 24 months and feel this should be done at least once a year.

The Budget is the same copy the Board received last month and the same for the Budget Hearing advertised and scheduled for August 27, 2008 at 6:00 P.M. The budget will be sent to Pam Coleman, Steuben County Auditor for the Steuben County Council's review as required by new state law.

The District has not received the final budget order for FY2008 Budget from the State but should receive it at any time.

A Citizens Advisory Committee meeting was held on August 7, 2008 to review the FY2009 Budget. Two directives from the meeting are to carry on with the budget and recommend checking into competitively bidding District fuel on an annual basis.

**Programs & Operations Report** - The seven proposed rural recycling drop-off units scheduled to be pulled are complete with the exception of Hamilton. Hamilton unit will be scheduled for removal when a second Angola location is deployed. The Auburn unit currently located at CR35 and State Road 8 does not comply with zoning guidelines and will be moved. The possibility exists that the second location for DeKalb and Angola will be the compost lots. The drop-off units in service are receiving higher volumes as anticipated.

The Executive Committee directed Pam DeCamp to notify the educators the 4thR program has been cut from the budget and their contracts will not be renewed. The education budget has been reduced from \$60,000.00 to \$30,000.00 to cover billboards and other education/promotional expenses.

Pam DeCamp reported the District received an IDEM grant for \$21,758.00 to help with a Household Hazardous Waste and Electronics collection event on the West side of the District. The location is yet to be selected and the date will be a Saturday in September, October or November. The grant money will only pay for the promotion of the event; the cost for material recovery will be the responsibility of the District.

Jennifer Franz has contacted all cities and towns in the District and if they have a website, our website is linked. Don Moore recommended listing the Board member names on the website. **ACTION ITEM #3 – A motion was made by Fred Brown to include on the website a list of the Board of Directors and the position they represent. Motion seconded by Don Moore. Motion carried. 9 yeas, 0 nays**

A CD recording of the presentation given by Professor Larry Deboer explaining the impact of HEA 1001 was given to each Board member.

**Legislative Issues** – Anticipate debate regarding reconfiguring County Governments next legislative session along with dissolution of Solid Waste Districts. Generator fees from newspapers may surface again.

**Other Items Pending** – Colleen Hake Boyd reports the Citizens Advisory Committee meeting last Thursday had good attendance. The committee is still hoping to find a DeKalb representative and will continue looking.

An Apollo Landfill Steering Committee meeting is scheduled for August 21, 2008 at 1:30 P.M.

Ron Smith would like to share with the other three counties; Steuben County is developing an ordinance requiring a permit and fees for demolition projects. Anyone with information or knowledge pertaining to the development of this ordinance would be appreciated.

The Public Hearing for the District FY2009 Budget is August 27, 2008 at 6:00 P.M.

**Public Comment** - None

**Adjourn – ACTION ITEM #4 – A motion to adjourn at 7:10 P.M. was made by Mayor Richard Hickman. Motion seconded by Fred Brown. Motion carried. 9 yeas, 0 nays**