



**NORTHEAST INDIANA
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

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PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC HEARING

(Receive Comments on the Establishment of User Fees for Compost Facilities)

NORTHEAST INDIANA SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Tuesday, February 12, 2002

6:30 PM – District Office

Public Hearing – User Fees for Compost Facilities

- ⇒ 6:30 p.m. Open - Public Hearing - To receive comment on the User Fees for Compost Facilities
- Close Public Hearing

Board of Directors Meeting (Upon Completion of Public Hearing)

- ⇒ 6:40 p.m. Call to Order
- ⇒ 6:42 p.m. Minutes of January 8, 2002
- ⇒ 6:45 p.m. Registry of Claims/ Treasurer's Report
- ⇒ 6:50 p.m. Compost User Fee Registration and User Fee Resolution
- ⇒ 7:10 p.m. Director's Report
- 2001 Annual Report
 - IDEM Solid Waste Plan Review/Report
 - Update All Pending Projects
 - Legislative Issues
- ⇒ 7:25 p.m. Other Items Pending
- ⇒ 7:30 p.m. Public Comment
- ⇒ 7:40 p.m. Adjourn



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**Northeast Indiana Solid Waste Management District
Board of Directors Meeting
February 12, 2002**

The Northeast Indiana Solid Waste Management District Board of Directors Meeting began February 12, 2002 at 7:10 PM following the Public Hearing to receive comment on a compost user fee. President, Harold Gingerich presided.

Harold began the meeting expressing sadness for the passing of Dale Hughes. Dale was an original member of the Board of Directors of the District. Harold asked those present to use this moment of silence to remember Dale and Dale's family and friends in your own way.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Harold Gingerich, Don Kaufman, Donald VanWye, Richard Strayer, Terry Helmer, Richard Winebrenner, Harold Uhl, Mayor Larry McGahen, Rodney Wells, Danny Putnam

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: William Ort, Connie Miles, Mayor Norm Yoder, James Hess, Joy Sharp, Mark Pankop, Hal Stump, F. Mayo Sanders, and Mayor Richard M Hickman

CAC PRESENT: Pete Green

DISTRICT ATTORNEY: Derald Kruse

DISTRICT CONSULTANT: J.W. Spear, Sr., P.E.

PUBLIC PRESENT: David McBride, Mike Rowilson, Richard Moser, Bill Hornbrook, Keith Johnson, Lloyd Pinckney, Faith Spear

STAFF PRESENT: Steve Christman, Pam DeCamp, and Linda Zirkle

Noting a **quorum was present at the start of the meeting**, Harold Gingerich called the meeting to order at 7:15 P.M. and welcomed everyone in attendance.

MINUTES: Hearing no corrections or additions, a motion was made by Don Kaufman to approve the minutes from January 8, 2002. Seconded by Harold Uhl, motion carried.

REGISTRY OF CLAIMS & TREASURER'S REPORT: After review, a motion to approve the registry of claims and treasurer's report was made by Harold Uhl. Motion seconded by Richard Strayer. Motion carried.

Compost User Fee Registration/ User Fee Resolution: Steve Christman would like direction from the Board. The Public Hearing did bring forward several very good comments and concerns. This public input will be helpful in determining user fees. This is a very complex resolution and Steve will work with the Executive Committee and present new resolution to the Board for approval. Terry Helmer believes we should not penalize the citizens, but should charge the commercial users. Derald Kruse believes discussion should take place and come back next month.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Annual Report 2001: Steve Christman reports the annual report is complete. The completed report was all done in house by Tri-State interns, and staff. Again these numbers are up and programs continue growing. Harold complimented the staff for a job well done with the annual report for 2001.

IDEM Solid Waste Plan Review/Report: The State has requested the District re-do the tables and resubmit back to IDEM.

Update all Pending Projects: The update on theft is a total of 7 arrests to date. Derald and Steve have spent sometime in court. Steve again thanked local law enforcement for a lot of time and work to help stop these individuals.

The fencing is almost complete and Steve is pleased with the final appearance. The cost is a bit higher than he had originally estimated, but several changes had to be made for stability.

Tri-State Senior engineering class as a senior project will design a footprint of the District property.

The State Board of Accounts has just completed an audit for 1999,2000 and 2001. No notable problems were found and the final report will be sent in approx. 4-6 weeks.

Next month the budget will be presented and Richele Orn will present the new software demo.

Legislative Issues: Senate bill 382 by Senator Gard. This bill allows counties to divorce themselves from Districts. This could effect all Solid Waste Districts and will be followed closely.

Pam DeCamp invited all the Board members to the Legislative Luncheon on Feb 19th at the State House in Indianapolis.

OTHER ITEMS PENDING: Pete Green reports the CAC are in need of a few more people to serve on the Committee. Pete expressed appreciation for the help from the Board of Directors.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Harold Gingerich again expressed thanks for all the public participation and for those who took the time to attend tonight's meeting. The District is committed to the public process and Harold feels this process is happening.

Motion to adjourn was made by Dan Putnam, seconded by Rod Wells. Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.