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**PUBLIC NOTICE
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DISTRICT OFFICE

Tuesday, February 14, 2006

6:30 PM

Agenda

- ⇒ 6:30 p.m. Call to Order
- ⇒ 6:32 p.m. Minutes of January 6, 2006
- ⇒ 6:35 p.m. Registry of Claims/ Treasurer's Report
- ⇒ 6:40 p.m. Programs/Operations Report
- ⇒ 6:50 p.m. **February 2006 Solid Waste Management Planning Session
J Spear Associates/NISWMD Staff**
- ⇒ 7:25 p.m. Other Items Pending
- ⇒ 7:30 p.m. Adjourn



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Northeast Indiana Solid Waste Management District Board of Directors Meeting February 14, 2006

The Northeast Indiana Solid Waste Management District Board of Directors meeting began February 14, 2006 at 6:35 PM. Harold Gingerich President presided.

Board Members Present: Chuck Ort, Don Kaufman, Donald VanWye, Phil Curtis, Harold Gingerich, Jack Herendeen, Harold Uhl, Ronald L. Smith, Danny Putnam and Mayor Richard Hickman

Board Members Absent: Connie Miles, Mayor Norm Yoder, Roger Boots, 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: J.W. Spear, Sr., P.E.

Public Present: None

Staff Present: Steve Christman, Jennifer Franz and Linda Zirkle

Minutes: Hearing no corrections or additions to the minutes of the January 6, 2006 meeting, a motion was made by Mayor Richard Hickman to approve the minutes. Seconded by Harold Uhl, motion carried. 10 years, 0 days

Registry of Claims & Treasurer's Report: Steve Christman reviewed the Registry of Claims and the Treasurer's Report. Steve Christman noted the Costa's Catering expense for the Dec/Jan meetings, in this month's claims, were reimbursed by Borden Waste-Away (December Christmas Dinner), Kruse & Kruse P.C. and J. Spear Associates, Inc. (January Workshop Breakfast). A motion to approve the Registry of Claims and Treasurer's Report was made by Donald VanWye. Seconded by Don Kaufman, motion carried. 10 years, 0 days

Executive Committee Report

February 2006 Solid Waste Management Planning Session – JW Spear Associates/NISWMD Staff – The last 9 months have been planning workshops. In January it was the recommendation of the Executive Committee and Staff to discontinue the white goods, tire programs and to reduce by 50% and restructure the education program. These changes could not be completed in January, due to lack of a quorum.

The Executive Committee is recommending restructuring of the District Board to better balance municipal participation rather than numerous County representatives. Several years ago the Board was enlarged to include the Mayor(s) of the largest city or town from each county. Indiana State Statute has changed and restructuring the Board to include more municipal representation would be beneficial to the District.



Harold Gingerich asked Andrew Kruse, District Attorney to outline from the Indiana Code 13-21-3 the code requirements and the Executive Committee's proposed recommendation. The outlines were as follows:

- 1 County Commissioner from each County
- 1 County Council from each County
- 1 representative from each County's largest city or town (Mayor or Town Broad President)
- 1 representative from each County's second largest city or town

A total of 16 elected Board members (4 from each County) providing more involvement from municipalities. These changes would reflect the current statute and be written in the revised master solid waste plan. If the Board of Directors approves this Board restructure, all four counties would need to adopt a new resolution and changes would be made on January 1, 2007.

After a lengthy discussion, Ronald L. Smith made a motion to follow the Executive Committee's recommendation, authorizing Andrew Kruse, District Attorney and Steve Christman to prepare draft language to amend the interlocal agreement for restructuring the Board of Directors. Motion seconded by Don Kaufman. Motion carried. 10 yeas, 0 nays The District staff will publish a NEWS RELEASE to inform the public. A Public Hearing will be advertised and scheduled for next months Board meeting, to accept written and verbal comment on Board restructuring.

Jack Herendeen made a motion to discontinue the white goods program and the tire program beginning January 1, 2007. Pam DeCamp will prepare a presentation for next month to cut the education program by 50% and restructure. Motion seconded by Harold Uhl. Motion carried. 10 yeas, 0 nays

Programs/Operations Report: Steve Christman and Pam DeCamp have recently assisted with the curbside bid for the City of Angola. Included in the Board packages is a spreadsheet, Jennifer Franz recently updated, showing cities and towns with curbside; and their contracted amounts.

Harold Gingerich thanked Jennifer Franz for a job well done on the 2005 Annual Report. A lot of hard work and time was spent preparing this information.

A first for the District is receiving one 1782 report from the Department of Local Government Finance for all four counties for the FY2006 budget, instead of the usual four separate.

JW Spear, Sr. has a proposal to modify one of the staff recommendations. The staff recommendation was to retain four drop-off recycle locations, located at four registered green waste/compost facilities (currently the District has two). JW Spear, Sr.'s proposal is to eliminate all current and proposed District drop-off recycling locations. To use the allocated recycling budget to offer curbside grants for cities and towns for 1-3 year grants, and offer unincorporated areas and associations \$25,000 to \$50,000 declining grants with District technical assistance to establish their own recycling drop-off programs. No action taken by the Board.

Green Waste/Compost as a Fee-for-Service opportunity was presented using 3 scenarios. These scenarios were explained and reviewed for the Board. Fees can be determined however the Board would decide, but JW Spear, Sr. believes it is necessary to set fees prior to May 2006. This would have an impact on the cities and towns and they will need time to budget accordingly for 2007. No action was taken by the Board.

The District has a request from DeKalb Eastern School to place an order for screened compost for 1500 cubic yards @ \$3.00 per cubic yard for June 2006.

Legislative Report: None

Other Items Pending: None

Public Comment: None

Adjourn: Phil Curtis made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 P.M.