



NORTHEAST INDIANA SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NORTHEAST INDIANA SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

District Office

Tuesday, March 11, 2003

6:30 PM

Agenda

- ⇒ 6:30 p.m. Call to Order
- ⇒ 6:32 p.m. Minutes of February 11, 2003
- ⇒ 6:35 p.m. Registry of Claims/Treasurer's Report
- ⇒ 6:40 p.m. FY2003 Budget Report
- ⇒ 6:50 p.m. Executive Committee Report
 - Engineering Report
- ⇒ 7:00 p.m. Director's Report
 - Legislative Update
 - Programs Update
- ⇒ 7:20 p.m. Other Items Pending:
- ⇒ 7:25 p.m. Public Comment
- ⇒ 7:30 p.m. Adjourn

**Northeast Indiana Solid Waste Management District
Board of Directors Meeting
March 11, 2003**

The Northeast Indiana Solid Waste Management District Board of Directors meeting began March 11, 2003 at 6:30 PM. Mark Pankop, Secretary presided over the meeting. Mark Pankop announced Harold Gingerich had another commitment and will not attend tonight's meeting.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Connie Miles, Don Kaufman, Donald VanWye, Mayor Norm Yoder, Phillip Curtis, Richard Strayer, Mark Pankop, Harold Uhl, F. Mayo Sanders, Danny Putnam and Mayor Richard Hickman

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Chuck Ort, James Hess, Harold Gingerich, Terry Helmer, Richard Winebrenner, Hal Stump, Mayor Larry McGahen, Dick Dodge and Rodney Wells

CAC PRESENT: None

DISTRICT ATTORNEY: Derald Kruse

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

PUBLIC PRESENT: Bruce McCoy

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

Noting a **quorum present for the meeting**, Mark Pankop called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

MINUTES: Hearing no additions or corrections a motion to approve minutes for the February 11, 2003 meeting was made by Donald VanWye. Seconded by Don Kaufman, motion carried.

REGISTRY OF CLAIMS & TREASURER'S REPORT: Steve Christman reviewed the financial reports. The Board directed the District to establish a scholarship fund by donation in the name of Pete Green Scholarship Fund, annually awarded to a Tri-State student in the amount of \$500.00. This separate fund appears on the Treasurer's Report as scholarship fund and will be reported as donations are deposited to that account. F. Mayo Sanders suggested Steve Christman should check with the Steuben Community Fund and explore the possibility for available matching funds for this scholarship. A motion to approve the Registry of Claims and the Treasurer's Report was made by F Mayo Sanders. Seconded by Harold Uhl. Motion carried 11 yeas and 0 nays.

FY2003 Budget: Steve Christman received notice from the State Board of Accounts, tentatively approving the FY2003 Budget. Information has been received from the Indiana Bond Bank on the RAP or re-assessment program. Executive Committee and Steve have reviewed this program and after review have determined the terms and time involved would not fit the forthcoming cash flow situation. Additional information has been completed and mailed to the Farmer's State Bank of LaGrange for application for the line of credit authorized by the Board of Directors. Closing is anticipated sometime in April.

Executive Committee Report:

Engineering Report – Steve Christman met with the Steuben County Surveyor’s office at the Steuben County compost lot. The drawings were reviewed and approved. The Surveyor’s office and the District will work together to proceed with the drainage project at the Steuben compost lot. New service road will be completed as soon as possible and remainder will be on hold until status of the Grant is received. Drawings for the DeKalb compost lot are nearing completion. Steve Christman will also review the DeKalb plans with the DeKalb Surveyor and the DeKalb Plan Commission when complete.

Re-Zoning: Steve Christman reported the joint Steuben/DeKalb Drainage Board have granted the District’s request to vacate the upper most portion of the Thomas Malone (approximately 300 feet) and the John Crampton (approximately 33 feet) legal drains on District property. The drawings are nearing completion and along with other necessary papers will be submitted to the Board of Zoning Appeals.

DIRECTOR’S REPORT:

Legislative Update: Several pieces are under review at the State House. Most have died. Three or Four are being followed. This year it seems to be rather quiet. A legislative committee, Environmental Quality Service Council, have directed a study be conducted on Solid Waste Districts. Karen Firestone met with Steve Christman and Tony Burrus from Allen County to complete this study. Steve spent the afternoon reviewing what the Districts do and the programs they operate. Steve believes this meeting was positive and hopefully the report will be beneficial and shed some light pertaining to the Solid Waste Districts.

Programs Update: Pam DeCamp reported the shoes collected over the last year have been sold and the checks are being distributed to the Animal Shelters in all four counties. Pam would like to thank Mark Pankop for delivering Noble County, Don Kaufman DeKalb County and Dick Dodge for Steuben County. Pam will deliver LaGrange County this week. These checks even though only \$212.18, are well received by the shelters and do make a difference.

The HHW program starts April 11, 2003 and ends November 14, 2003.

Compost lots at Steuben and DeKalb will be open on April 14, 2003. Steve Christman reports the lots were left open all winter this year and were not abused so far.

The programs are all growing and this is the time of year when things get really busy and increase in abuse at the drop-off stations begins to increase.

Pam DeCamp would like the Board to look at the numbers in the 2003 Annual Report and note the increase from over the last 5 years.

OTHER ITEMS PENDING: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mark Pankop asked Mr. McCoy, if he had any public comment. Hearing none, Mark Pankop asked if anyone else had any comments.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 7:15 PM.