

PUBLIC NOTICE

NORTHEAST INDIANA SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

District Office

Tuesday, May 13, 2003

6:30 PM

Agenda

- ⇒ 6:30 p.m. Call to Order
- ⇒ 6:32 p.m. Minutes of April 8, 2003
- ⇒ 6:35 p.m. Registry of Claims/Treasurer's Report
- ⇒ 6:40 p.m. Executive Committee Report
 - Engineering Report
 - Composting
 - Zoning Project
- ⇒ 7:00 p.m. Director's Report
 - Programs Update – Drop Off – HHW – Mercury, et.al.
 - Legislative Update
 - Scholarship Project
 - Waste Reduction/Minimization Award Applications
- ⇒ 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
May 13, 2003**

Corrected Minutes 6/10/03

The Northeast Indiana Solid Waste Management District Board of Directors meeting began April 8, 2003 at 6:35 PM. Harold Gingerich, President presided over the meeting.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Connie Miles, Donald VanWye, Mayor Norm Yoder, Phillip Curtis, Richard Strayer, Harold Gingerich, Mark Pankop, Harold Uhl, F Mayo Sanders and Dick Dodge

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Chuck Ort, Don Kaufman, James Hess, Terry Helmer, Richard Winebrenner, Hal Stump, Mayor Larry McGahen, Rod Wells, Danny Putnam and Mayor Richard Hickman

CAC PRESENT: None

DISTRICT ATTORNEY: Derald Kruse

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

PUBLIC PRESENT: None

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

Noting a **quorum present for the meeting**, Harold Gingerich called the meeting to order at 6:35 P.M.

MINUTES: Hearing no additions or corrections a motion to approve minutes for the April 8, 2003 meeting was made by Dick Dodge. Seconded by Harold Uhl, motion carried.

REGISTRY OF CLAIMS & TREASURER'S REPORT: Steve Christman reviewed the financial reports. A motion to approve the Registry of Claims and the Treasurer's Report was made by F. Mayo Sanders. Seconded by Richard Strayer. Motion carried 10 yeas and 0 nays.

Harold Gingerich stated, for the record, a real appreciation to the staff and the District's operators that do a fine job of keeping the equipment repair costs down by performing a number of repairs in house.

Steve Christman introduced the two interns, Scott Grant, a senior from Findlay University/Findlay, Ohio (Scott worked for the District last summer) and Janelle Coughlin a senior at Tri-State University.

Executive Committee Report:

Composting Report: Last month Jerry Richter of Garden Ridge Nursery was present for the Executive Committee meeting to review a means to handle the ever growing and continuing mulch volume at the DeKalb and Steuben compost lots. Upon directions of the Board, Steve has put together some numbers to replace the 1991 IH tractor and also to lease purchase a trailer with a walking floor. Steve reviewed the slide presentation for the Board. After a Board discussion F. Mayo Sanders made a motion directing Steve Christman to go ahead with a purchase of a newer tractor and leasing of a walking floor trailer consistent with the current budget. Seconded by Richard Strayer. Motion carried 10 yeas and 0 nays.

Zoning: Last night Steve Christman and J.W. Spear, Sr. had a workshop meeting with neighbors to the District. Nine people attended this meeting out of 112 letters sent. The concerns expressed were similar to those of 1991. Traffic on Co Rd 800 S, noise, dust and water pollution is the major concerns. J.W. Spear, Sr. will review the plans that pertain to the special exception request for the presentation to the zoning project. The point has been made by Steuben County that the District is properly zoned. A special exception would be needed to properly cover any potential growth and expansion of the District. The next step is for J.W. Spear and Steve Christman to meet with the Plan Commission to review the proposed plan and what zoning would be required to assure the District property is zoned correctly. Utilities are another area the District is looking into. J.W. Spear reviewed these options with the Board and explained what the options are. Harold Gingerich explained these are all concerns of the Executive Committee to help the District prepare the Board and be ahead of the District's program growth and future needs.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Programs Update: Harold Gingerich read a note from Pam DeCamp updating the latest theft report at the Drop-off reported May 8th. Angola City Police issued a trespassing warning to two individuals caught inside the recycle container at K-Mart sorting tin from aluminum. The officer got anxious and wondered what they were doing inside the container. Individuals admitted they had visited Angola Wal-Mart, Ashley and Fremont drop-offs. The individuals were driving a Red Pathfinder with Tenn. plates and listed their residence as Fremont area.

New color coordinated containers are now in place at the Wolcottville Drop-off and a photo to view was passed for all Board members to see.

Curbside programs need to be implemented and are behind schedule, this would help to ease the overload of the drop-off sites.

Steve Christman explained how the drop-off program unfortunately has become a stand-alone program. The District did a survey of the drop-off program spring/summer of 2000. The results were reviewed with the Board. This survey confirms a real need for a comprehensive commercial recycling program, city and town curbside recycling programs and institutional recycling.

Legislative Update: Most of the bills at State level are dead. This has been a pretty quiet year.

Scholarship Project: Steve is working with Derald Kruse on final scholarship agreement. Next week Sharon Stroh from Steuben Community Foundation will meet with Steve to discuss administration of the scholarship fund.

Waste Reduction/Minimization Awards: The Executive Committee reviewed the applications and the awards will be announced next month.

OTHER ITEMS PENDING: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: Harold Gingerich passed around a Thank You card from Virginia Green for all to read.

Mayor Norm Yoder made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 PM.