

PUBLIC NOTICE

NORTHEAST INDIANA SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MEETING AGENDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

District Office

Tuesday, May 10, 2005

6:30 PM

Agenda

- ⇒ 6:30 p.m. Call to Order
- ⇒ 6:32 p.m. Minutes of April 12, 2005
- ⇒ 6:35 p.m. Registry of Claims/Treasurer's Report
- ⇒ 6:40 p.m. Budget Status/Salary Ordinance As Amended
- ⇒ 6:45 p.m. Executive Committee Report:
 - May Workshop Report
- ⇒ 7:15 p.m. Director's Report:
 - Operations/Programs Report
 - Legislative Update
- ⇒ 7:35 p.m. Other Items Pending
- ⇒ 7:40 p.m. Public Comment
- ⇒ 7:45 p.m. Adjourn

Northeast Indiana Solid Waste Management District
Board of Directors Meeting
May 10, 2005

The Northeast Indiana Solid Waste Management District Board of Directors meeting began May 10, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. President, Harold Gingerich presided.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Don Kaufman, Roger Boots, Phillip Curtis, Harold Gingerich, Mark Pankop, Jack Herendeen, Harold Uhl, Ron Smith, Danny Putnam and Mayor Richard Hickman

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Chuck Ort, Connie Miles, Donald VanWye, Mayor Norm Yoder, George Bachman, Terry Helmer, Hal Stump, Mayor Suzanne Handshoe, F Mayo Sanders and James Crowl

CAC PRESENT: Colleen Hake Boyd

DISTRICT ATTORNEY: Andrew Kruse

DISTRICT CONSULTANT: JW Spear, Sr., P.E.

PUBLIC PRESENT: Jack Dold, LaGrange County Lakes Council

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

Noting a **quorum present**, Harold Gingerich called the meeting to order.

MINUTES: Hearing no corrections or additions to the minutes of the April 12, 2005 meeting, a motion was made by Harold Uhl to approve the minutes. Seconded by Don Kaufman, motion carried. 10 yeas, 0 nays

Steve Christman introduced Richard Caston, the District's new Mechanic/Supervisor. Richard has a wealth of experience in managing a shop, diesel engine and shop repair. He also has numerous ASE certifications. Harold Gingerich welcomed Richard to the District and told him we are happy to have him on board.

Harold Gingerich introduced Jack Dold from LaGrange County Lakes Council. Jack explained a program involving the Council to recycle cell phones and printer cartridges. A postage paid package is included with the self-serve display. Jack asked the District to help promote the fundraiser for the LaGrange County Lakes Council at no cost to the District. Pam DeCamp told Jack we would take this information under advisement and place his display at the front counter for residents to use.

REGISTRY OF CLAIMS & TREASURER'S REPORT: Steve reviewed the claims and treasurer's report. A motion to approve the Registry of Claims and Treasurer's Report was made by Dan Putnam. Seconded by Mayor Richard Hickman. Motion carried. 10 yeas, 0 nays

Budget Status/Salary Ordinance as Amended – An amendment to Salary Ordinance 2005-1 is necessary due to hiring Richard Caston and salary range changes. A motion to approve Salary Ordinance 2005-1A amendment was made by Dan Putnam. Seconded by Don Kaufman. Motion carried 10 yeas, 0 nays

Harold Gingerich noted this does not add new money, this is just an update to already approved funds.

Executive Committee Report:

May Workshop IV Report – Harold Gingerich thanked the members who attended the workshop. JW Spear, Sr. used an infinity square as an example to prioritize programs. This exercise was done based on perception of program value. The results were proof of how varied and inaccurate elimination would be without factual information.

Program elimination and prioritizing programs is essential. At next month's workshop, programs need to be evaluated to determine what programs could be self-sufficient. Identify options for the District to move off the property tax base and assess a household fee. The Executive Committee asked Andrew Kruse to explore the legal possibility to restructure the Board and set a new levy. Restructuring the District to include more city and town representation was also a part of the discussion. These are a few decisions the Board must make in the next few months. Harold Gingerich encouraged the Board to attend the June workshop and help make these very important decisions.

Director's Report:

Operations/Programs – A list of names for an Emergency Preparedness/Debris Management Mailing List has been compiled. Steve would like everyone to make any additions or subtractions and report changes to Jennifer Franz. Steve Christman has been requested to host a SWANA one-day Debris Management course for the four counties in the District, as part of a hazard mitigation plan. Randy Tilbury has prepared a spreadsheet with State approved 2004 Budget money and money received to date. Andrew Kruse prepared a letter to DLGF explaining the difficulties preparing a budget with all four counties reporting at different times. This letter was copied to State and Local representatives of all four counties. No response has been received with regard to this letter. Electricity will be installed at the Steuben County compost lot soon.

The Waste Flow Analysis report and a Report to Municipal Stakeholders were produced in house. The Municipal Stakeholders report was mailed to local elected officials, cities and towns, Local State elected officials and all Board members. This report demonstrates benefit to cost of the District programs by each city or town. A press release will go out this week to announce the report is available to the public at the District office.

Legislative Update – Steve Christman reviewed a printout of Legislative bills pertaining to solid waste management. Harold Gingerich announced the Governor's awards would now be presented at the AISWMD'S/SWANA annual conference.

CAC Report – Colleen Hake Boyd commented how important she feels it is, for the elected officials to attend and be a part of the District decisions. Numerous decisions need to be made and it is the duty of all members to be present and help make upcoming decisions.

Other Items Pending – None

Public Comment – None

Harold Gingerich thanked the staff and all the Board members for attending.

Motion to adjourn was made by Dan Putnam at 7:40 PM.