



NORTHEAST INDIANA SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

*Serving DeKalb, LaGrange, Noble and Steuben Counties
2320 W 800 S. P.O. Box 370 Ashley, IN 46705-0370 • (260) 587-3063 • Fax (260) 587-3523*

www.niswmd.org

PUBLIC NOTICE NORTHEAST INDIANA SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

JOINT BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

DISTRICT OFFICE

Tuesday, September 8th, 2009

6:30 P.M.

Agenda

- ⇒ 6:30 p.m. Call to Order
- ⇒ 6:32 p.m. Minutes of August 11th, 2009
- ⇒ 6:35 p.m. Registry of Claims/Treasurer's Report
- ⇒ 6:45 p.m. Executive Committee Report
 - 2010 Budget
 - Programs & Operations Report
 - Legislative Issues
- ⇒ 7:15 p.m. Other Items Pending
- ⇒ 7:20 p.m. Public Comment
- ⇒ 7:30 p.m. Adjourn





NORTHEAST INDIANA SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Serving DeKalb, LaGrange, Noble and Steuben Counties
2320 W 800 S. P.O. Box 370 Ashley, IN 46705-0370 • (260) 587-3063 • Fax (260) 587-3523

www.niswmd.org

Northeast Indiana Solid Waste Management District Joint Board of Directors and Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting September 8, 2009

The Northeast Indiana Solid Waste Management District Joint Board of Directors and Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting began September 8, 2009 at 6:30 P.M. Ron Smith, President, presided **noting a quorum present.**

Board Members Present: Don Kaufman, Phil Curtis, Jack Herendeen, Don Moore, Ron Smith, Sara Tubergen, Mayor Richard Hickman and Loretta Smart

Board Members Absent: Don VanWye, Mayor Norman Yoder, Mayor David Wiant, Fred Brown, Terry Helmer, Yvonne Eash, Mayor Suzanne Handshoe and Mayor Patty Fisel

CAC Present: Max Robison and Colleen Hake Boyd

District Attorney: Andrew Kruse

Public Present: None

Staff Present: Steve Christman, Pam DeCamp and Jenni Franz

MINUTES: ACTION ITEM #1 – Sara Tubergen made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2009 Board of Directors meeting. Motion seconded by Don Kaufman. Motion carried. 8 yeas, 0 nays.

TREASURER'S REPORT AND REGISTRY OF CLAIMS: The Treasurer's Report and Registry of Claims were reviewed for September 8, 2009. **ACTION ITEM # 2 – Mayor Richard Hickman made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and Registry of Claims. Motion seconded by Loretta Smart. Motion carried. 8 yeas, 0 nays.**

Executive Committee Report:

FY2010 Budget – Steve Christman explained that at the last meeting the Board adopted the FY2010 budget. However, at that time the public hearing had not taken place. The public hearing was held on Tuesday, August 25th at 6:00 PM at the District office and all advertising was completed. Tonight the Board needs to make a technical correction and adopt the FY2010 budget. With savings in insurance and not increasing salaries, the FY2010 budget is \$20,000 less than the FY2009 budget. On Thursday, September 3, 2009 Christman attended the Steuben County Council meeting and presented the District budget. The council adopted the budget at that time. Sara Tubergen asked if the education line item was cut in the 2009 budget or the 2010 budget and it was confirmed that this reduction took place in the 2009 budget cycle. Ron Smith stated that with the FY2010 budget being duly advertised he would accept a motion to approve the budget. **ACTION ITEM #3 – A motion to approve the FY2010 Budget of \$1,556,978.67 was made by Sara Tubergen. Motion seconded by Don Kaufman. Motion carried. 8 yeas, 0 nays**



Programs and Operations Report – Discussion on monthly board meetings versus every other month board meetings took place. Under existing Indiana Code, Districts are required to publish a yearly meeting schedule. Christman advised that the District should continue advertising a yearly schedule of monthly meetings and then canceling a given meeting should there be nothing pertinent to bring before the Board. Ron Smith reiterated that at the discretion of the Director, if there are no pressing issues to be discussed a given meeting will be cancelled. Smith encouraged all Board members to express any concerns they have with this procedure.

At 6:44 PM Mayor Richard Hickman left the meeting.

It was established that there would be a December meeting this year to adopt schedules and elect officers. Ron Smith offered to provide refreshments if one of the District's vendors would not be able to provide a meal.

Steve Christman noted that the District has received a building (improvement) permit for installation of the truck scale. Request For Quotes on the installation of the foundation and approach will be ready for release next week.

On August 15, 2009 an electronics waste collection was held at the District. This was a very expensive event with only 66 vehicles participating and approximately three tons of material being collected. The cost for this event was \$80.00 per vehicle or \$1900 per ton. Advertising for this event was paid for through an IDEM grant.

The Association of Indiana Solid Waste Management Districts will hold its annual conference on September 10th and 11th at University Place Conference Center on the campus of IUPUI in Indianapolis. District staff provides assistance at the conference with registration and breakout sessions.

Compost is ready at the DeKalb lot and total compost sales have reached \$7,000.00.

Legislative Issues – Steve Christman has been meeting with Senator Kruse and Representatives Bell, Wolkins and Dodge regarding language in the State budget. Senator Kruse is assisting Christman in arranging a meeting with Senator Kenley to discuss the issue further.

Other Items Pending – Ron Smith noted that he and Phil Curtis will be at a meeting in Indy on Thursday and are planning to stop in at the Association conference to attend two of the sessions.

Public Comment – Max Robison asked how long the Steuben County Compost Lot would remain in the current location. Smith stated that there are no plans at this time to move the lot. Steuben County is going to try to initiate discussions with the Board and with DeKalb County to explore ideas about combining the lots and to seek possible locations.

Colleen Hake Boyd said she had nothing to add to tonight's meeting.

Ron Smith noted that Northeast Indiana has been very fortunate with weather this year and has not experienced storm cleanup as many parts of Indiana have.

Adjourn – ACTION ITEM #4 – A motion to adjourn was made by Sara Tubergen at 6:55 PM. Motion seconded by Phil Curtis. Meeting adjourned.