



County of Yolo

WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

c/o PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
DIVISION OF INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT

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MINUTES OF THE YOLO COUNTY WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF MAY 26, 2011

Carol Scianna called the May 26th, 2011 meeting to order at 3:40 p.m. Those present were:

Members: Dorothy Peterson, Roberta Childers, Carol Scianna, Paulina Rosenthal, Jacques DeBra, Sharlene Katz, Michael McDonald, and Michael Fan

Staff: Linda Sinderson – Yolo County Planning and Public Works
Marissa Juhler – Yolo County Planning and Public Works
Tamara Lokteff – Yolo County Planning and Public Works
Gina Daleiden – Deputy to Yolo County Supervisor, Jim Provenza

Guests: none

Absent/Notified: none

Introduction

Introductions were made around the room.

Public Comment

An opportunity for members of the public to address the Waste Advisory Committee (WAC) on subjects relating to waste management.

Consent Agenda

1. Approve Meeting Minutes from October, December, February, March, and April.

MOTION: Dorothy Peterson moved to approve all minutes, seconded by Roberta Childers.
DISCUSSION: None.
MOTION: Passed unanimously.

Regular Agenda

2. Member/Jurisdiction Updates

Yolo County – See item 4, nothing further to update.

City of Davis – Jacques DeBra stated that City staff are working on the utility rate adjustment process. Pending City Council approval of the Proposition 218 notice on June 7th, new rate ordinances will then go to the City Council in September to be effective for the December billing cycle.

City of West Sacramento – Paulina Rosenthal stated that about 426 cars visited the recent bulky waste event with wood, rigid plastics, furniture, cardboard, tires, etc. The lower turn out than in previous years is attributed to scrap metal and appliances being taken year-round free of charge by a local company. The new West Sacramento Farmers Market had a successful start of the season with some vendors even selling out before the end. Waste Management reported a 95% diversion rate, which is still considered “zero waste.” Utility rate changes will go to the City Council next week.

City of Winters – Carol Scianna announced that a bulky waste event is scheduled for June; however, some permit issues still need to be resolved. At the City’s recent “Youth Day” event, the use of clear stream containers helped to divert more recyclables than in previous years when totes were used.

City of Woodland – Roberta Childers said that contract negotiations are in progress with Waste Management regarding an additional five-year contract extension beyond the current 2015 agreement. It is anticipated that the final contract will go to the City Council for approval in about 3 weeks.

UC Davis – Michael Fan shared that rather than extend the life of the UC Davis landfill, arrangements are now being made for closure.

Davis Community – Shar Katz shared that the food scrap collection pilot program is underway. So far, twenty businesses are on board and additional totes are being requested. The Zamora composting facility reported that the City of Davis food waste load is generally the cleanest with the least amount of contaminates.

3. MAC (Meeting of Area Coordinators) Update

The success of a direct mailer funded by the HD-17 Hazardous Waste Grant, initiated a discussion regarding the annual Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) flyer. With the change from monthly events to a weekly program there is no longer a need to publicize actual dates. Marissa Juhler asked WAC members for input or suggestions for advertising the HHW program in each of the communities. Possible options discussed during the MAC meeting were to include a flyer in utility bills, direct mailing, and/or magnets.

4. Division of Integrated Waste Management’s 2011-12 proposed waste fee rate changes

The Board of Supervisors passed the master fee changes for the county. Beginning July 1, the municipal solid waste gate rate will be \$42.50, the same as the Construction and Demolition Debris gate rate. Linda Sinderson provided a handout comparing contract rates over the last few years with gate rates. Sensitive to the 100-day notice for fee increases to those with contracted rates, Linda asked for input regarding timing of the increase. It was agreed that the CPI increase would go into effect on July 1st, with the regulatory increases added beginning on October 1st.

Member Questions

None.

Meeting Adjournment

Carol Scianna adjourned the meeting at 4:20 p.m.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee is scheduled for July 28th, 2011 at 3:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Yolo County Central Landfill.

Carol Scianna, Chair
Yolo County Waste Advisory Committee

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