

SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
February 6, 2019

SWAC MEMBERS

Kelly Doordan, Chair
Heidi Lovett
Mark Freedman

Elaine Newton, Vice Chair
Mark Symborski
Jamie Andrews

Sara Ducey

Linda Andrews

Absent: Sara Bixby
David Winstead

Carol Jones

Paula Jenson

Vacancies: 4

COUNTY STAFF - DSWs

Willie – Division Chief, Solid Waste Services, Liaison

GUESTS

The regular meeting of the Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) was called to order by the Chair at 5:35 PM on February 6, 2019 in the 6th Floor Conference Room at the Executive Office Building (EOB). Introductions – around the table. NO QUORUM

NEW BUSINESS

Willie report:

- New DEP Director – Adam Mortise.
- New Position in Eileen’s group is ready to advertise.

MAJOR PROGRAM PRESENTATION

CE not available.

OLD BUSINESS

Subcommittee Reports:

Strategic Planning / Budget – NTR

Calendar – With current activities in county we should/may remake the effort to help support the priorities that have been developed. SWAC add support to ZWTF recommendations

- School data ask
- Sub-district B
- 10 Year Master Plan Update – first cut in August (coming out of the ZWTF)

Aiming for Zero Waste – Last meeting attendance by Mark and Kelly.

- Tasks – what we have, what are the best practices, MC public input, looking at implementation of each item and impact on waste stream. Up to now reduce/recycle focus.
- Matrix of action, cost, impact – expect in March
- Task 9 - what next ? ? ?

Organic – Survey out to the big food waste producers (30 users). Looking for an idea of what/how/who is being done with their organic waste. Next step: out to 3,000+ to gather better and bigger data. Teams also going out to get face to face discussions. Goal is to incentivize actions to improve performance.

Potential outlet at Western Branch (WB) – temporary. Need to identify a County owned facility. To get started – 4,000 tons to WB to get things started.

DAFIG – Next meeting March 12th, 7:30 PM, Need an attendee. Elaine. Brief review of DAFIG history

Recycling – Report out on meeting. Sara D and Mark had a productive discussion with Eileen on the recycling. Some hi-lites:

- Glass is ~50% of the recycling stream by weight. It is the heaviest, most damaging to equipment, contaminant of other streams.
- Looking at potential options to improve the MRF performance and clean up the product streams.
- High level numbers look: current recycling @ ~460K tons. Target ~800K tons. Increase required ~340K tons.

Legislative concern: Poly styrene. MRN Environmental follow-up.

Administrative:

All members must take their open meeting and parliamentary training. Get copy of completed training to Serena.

Four vacancies to fill. Currently open for applicants. Ask SWS to add notice to the twitter account. Tweets went out to get folks interested.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 7:43. The next meeting is set for March 20, 5:30 PM, in the 6th Floor Conference Room at the Executive Office Building (EOB).

ACRONYMS

CC	County Council	CE	County Executive
CNG	Compressed Natural Gas	CPI	Consumer Price Index
DAFIG	Dickerson Area Facilities Implementation Group	DSWS	Division of Solid Waste Services
DEP	Department of Environmental Protection	EfW	Energy from Waste
FY	Fiscal Year	ERP	Enterprise Resource Planning
MC	Montgomery County	HHW	Household Hazardous Waste
MES	Maryland Environmental Services	LF	Landfill
OCC	Old Corrugated Containers (cardboard)	MML	Maryland Municipal League
SCA	Sugarloaf Community Association	RRF	Resource Recovery Facility
SWAC	Solid Waste Advisory Committee	TPD	Tons per Day
NTR	Nothing to Report		