

**SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING NOTES
June 5, 2019**

SWAC MEMBERS

Kelly Doordan, Chair
Mark Symborski
Mark Freedman

Paula Jenson
Sara Bixby
Jamie Andrews

Sara Ducey
Carol Jones
Linda Andrews

Absent: David Winstead

Heidi Lovett

Vacancies: 5

COUNTY STAFF - DSWs

Willie Wainer - Division Chief, Solid Waste Services
Marc Elrich – County Executive

GUESTS

The regular meeting of the Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) was called to order by the Chair at 5:40 PM on June 6, 2019 in the 6th Floor Conference Room at the Executive Office Building (EOB).

DISCUSSION w/ COUNTY EXEC ELRICH

CE Elrich joined the meeting to chat about his vision for solid waste management in the County moving forward. The Committee was able to question the CE and received valuable insights on the direction he is intending to move.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Mandatory Training – reminder we all need to complete the coursework.
- Minutes Approval – by unanimous consent. To be posted.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS::

- DAFIG – the next meeting is in June. Paula will attend.
- Summer Meetings
 - Strategic and Budget to prep for September 4 meeting
 - Look at meeting in August timeframe to have benefit of HDR report
 - Establish School Recycling review effort
 - Jamie to pull together
 - Potentially use Recycling sub to look for trends in recycling
 - Other ideas for research
 - Fee based efforts – external from tax bill
- September meeting – Kelly to pull together Calendar meeting

NEW BUSINESS

- DSWS Update (Willie)
 - All sections meeting FY19 budget
 - Recycling
 - Marketing is largest struggle – bottom is still falling (paper in June \$13/tn, avg in NE \$-2/tn). Impact of Amazon type deliveries on supply. China impact continues.
 - Lexington, KY – no paper; Alexandria – glass to LF.
 - What are the implications to the County’s program? What is the response?
 - China Companies coming into US and pre-processing to create feedstock that by-pass the regulations.
 - New food waste position is starting with a focus on commercial facilities
 - Leaf Grow sales strong, 650,000 bags
 - Long Term Plan – working to develop detailed plans for each technology. Use as guidance to drive RFP to the business community

- ZWTF (HDR Reports) Update –
 - PAYT will be recommended – needs to be fleshed out
 - HDR Report is strategic – not operational. A Master Plan.
 - Task force landed on 8 areas of focus as potential next steps to move the needle.
 - Materials Management – move out of the waste stream. Regulatory drivers.
 - Timeline:
 - Sections posted as they are cleared by committee
 - Task 8 under review now – County Facilities
 - Task 9 expected mid-August – What’s Left in the Waste
 - Monday, June 10, 530 – modeling on GHG. WARM (pro and con). DEP building.
 - Next meeting July 10 – Anaerobic Digestion and the Gore System
 - Task Force will be wrapping up this fall – SWAC needs to be prepared to carry the water.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45. The next meeting is set for September 4, 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	FTE	Full Time Employee
ZWTF	Zero Waste Task Force	MRF	Materials Recycling Facility