



**Solid Waste Management Coordinating Board
Minutes
Wednesday, January 27, 2010
Metro Counties Government Center**

Members Present:

Commissioner Jim Kordiak, Anoka Co.
Commissioner Victoria Reinhardt, Ramsey Co.
Commissioner Joseph Harris, Dakota Co.
Commissioner Dick Lang, Anoka Co.
Commissioner Jim Ische, Carver Co.
Commissioner Kathleen Gaylord, Dakota Co.
Commissioner Jan Callison, Hennepin Co.

Commissioner Peter McLaughlin, Hennepin Co.
Commissioner Janice Rettman, Ramsey Co.
Commissioner Gary Kriesel, Washington Co.
Commissioner Lisa Weik, Washington Co.
Acting Deputy Commissioner Tim Scherkenbach

Others Present:

Mike Lein, Carver Co.
Leslie Wilson, Carver Co.
Jeff Harthun, Dakota Co.
Carl Michaud, Hennepin Co.
Zack Hansen, Ramsey Co.
Paul Smith, MPCA
Tina Patton, MPCA
Sig Scheurle, MPCA
Tim Pratt, City of Roseville

Trudy Richter, RRA
Linda Gondringer, RRA
Samantha Werre, RRA
Barry Tilley, Capitol Hill Consultants, Inc.
Jean Tilley, Capitol Hill Consultants, Inc.
Bill Hoffman, GSP Consulting/Allied Waste
Donald Chapdelaine, SKB
Julie Ketchum, Waste Management

Agenda Item #1. Elections.

a. Chair; b. Vice Chair; and c. Secretary/Treasurer

Following a call for nominations, Commissioner McLaughlin made a motion to elect Commissioner Reinhardt as Chair, Commissioner Harris as Vice Chair, and Commissioner Callison as Secretary/Treasurer. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ische and passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Following elections, Commissioner Reinhardt introduced a resolution of appreciation for Commissioner Kordiak, recognizing his years of service to the proposed SWMCB as Chair. Commissioner Kriesel commented on how impressed he has been with Commissioner Kordiak's leadership and Commissioner Lang commended Commissioner Kordiak's efforts over the years. Commissioner Kriesel made a motion to approve Resolution 2010-01. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Harris and passed unanimously on a voice vote. Commissioner Reinhardt then presented Commissioner Kordiak with a certificate of recognition.

Agenda Item #2. Consent Items.

a. Minutes of the December 16, 2009 Meeting

Commissioner Harris made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2009, meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gaylord and passed unanimously on a voice vote.

b. Checks and Claims

Commissioner Kordiak made a motion to approve the checks and claims as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kriesel and passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Agenda Item #3. Regional Policy and Management.

a. 2010 Work Plan, Budget and Related Agreement Amendments

i. GreenGatherings: Amendment to the County Funded Special Project Work Plan and Budget

Zack Hansen, Ramsey County, presented an overview of the GreenGatherings project. He noted that the first proposal presented to the SWMCB in December was broader in scope and requested county special project funds. The current proposal was more limited, focusing on moving GreenGatherings resources from the current website to RethinkRecycling.com and developing a plan for the continuation of the project in future years.

Commissioner Reinhardt noted an error in the agenda, noting that the proposed amendment was for the 2010 SWMCB budget and workplan, not the county funded special project budget and workplan. The action requested in the memo reflects that the funds would be allocated from SWMCB funds.

Commissioner Harris made a motion to approve the SWMCB funded budget and workplan amendment as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kordiak and passed unanimously on a voice vote.

ii. Amendment to Agreements with 2010 Vendors

Zack Hansen then presented an overview of the amendments needed to the agreements with vendors for the GreenGatherings project. It was noted that budget amendments were needed for Gorton's Studios for website services and for Richardson, Richter & Associates, Inc. for project management, facilitation, website coordination, and evaluation services.

Commissioner Harris made a motion to authorize the Chair to finalize negotiations and execute an agreement with Gorton Studios for 2010 GreenGatherings web page services and to increase the contract maximum by \$8,000 and with RRA for 2010 GreenGatherings facilitation, website coordination, evaluation, and project management, to increase the contract maximum by \$9,000. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kordiak and passed unanimously on a voice vote.

b. Product Stewardship: Resolution 2010-02

Zack Hansen presented an overview of the resolution of support for product stewardship. He noted that the purpose of the resolution was to show local support for product stewardship and build interest at the legislature. He noted that Resolution 2010-02 resolves that the Solid Waste Management Coordinating Board urges the Minnesota Legislature to adopt a product stewardship framework approach that creates effective, flexible, producer-led reduction, reuse and recycling programs to deal with a product's lifecycle impacts from design through end-of-life management so that state and local governments do not have primary responsibility for financing such efforts; and be it further resolved that the Solid Waste Management Coordinating Board encourages its member counties and other Minnesota jurisdictions to adopt a similar resolution supporting product stewardship and that the resolution be forwarded to the Legislature and the Governor.

Commissioner Callison made a motion to approve Resolution 2010-02:

Product Stewardship resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ische and passed unanimously on a voice vote.

c. Legislative Issues

i. Legislative Update

Barry Tilley provided a legislative update to the SWMCB. He noted that the state was facing a substantial budget shortfall. He also noted that the passage of a bonding bill was likely in the first few weeks of the session and that the House and Senate had indicated they intended to pass a bonding bill of \$1 billion.

ii. Day at the Capitol Event

Trudy Richter, RRA, provided an update on the SWMCB Day at the Capitol event. She noted that the goal of the event was to inform legislators on SWMCB's key issues, such as waste-to-energy, product stewardship and the importance of SCORE funding. She also noted that the event was important preparation for the 2011 session, as there would likely be continued discussion of SWMCB issues next year.

d. MPCA Solid Waste Policy Plan

Paul Smith, MPCA, gave an update on the MPCA Solid Waste Policy Plan.

Agenda Item #4. 2009 Accomplishments Report.

Carl Michaud, Hennepin County, and Samantha Werre, RRA, presented the 2009 SWMCB Accomplishments report. Following the presentation Commissioner McLaughlin requested individual reports from the counties be shared at a future meeting.

Agenda Item #5. Other.

a. 2010 Membership List

Commissioner Reinhardt presented the 2010 SWMCB membership list and requested that members notify RRA of any changes in their contact information.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:03 p.m.