

SAGINAW COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, January 13, 2009

Saginaw County Courthouse, Training Room

111 S. Michigan

Saginaw, MI 48602

MINUTES

1. Call to Order by Chair John Malzahn at 1:30 p.m. and introduction of guests

Members Present

John Malzahn
Tom Darnell
Terry Nichols
Gail Basner
Michael Smith
Peg Mikac
Dale Miller
Ray Ilkka
Michael O'Hare
Jennie Main
Monica Duebbert
Tom Bailey

DPA Staff Present

Phil Grimaldi
Demetra Manley

Members Absent

Don McInerney*
Chuck Cassie*

*excused

Guests Present

Randy Knepper, Saginaw County Mosquito Control
Jim Hogue, Sheriff Department
Steve Alworden, Department of Public Health

2. Public Comment (for items not on the agenda)

None

3. Election of Officers (Chair & Vice-Chair)

Phil Grimaldi acting as temporary chair. Floor open for nominations for Chair, Motion by Ilkka, seconded by Malzahn for the nomination of Monica Duebbert as 2009 Chair no other nominations. Ayes all Opposes none. Motion carried. All presented welcomed Duebbert as 2009 Chair.

Floor open for nominations for Vice-Chair. Motion by Malzahn, seconded by Ilkka for the nominations of Tom Darnell as 2009 Vice-Chair, no other nominations. Ayes all Opposes none. All present welcomed Darnell as 2009 Vice-Chair.

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4. Approval of October 14, 2008 meeting minutes

Motion by Malzahn, support by Basner to approve October 14, 2008 meeting minutes approved as presented. Motion carried with one correction.

5. **Reports**

- A. **Motor Carrier Enforcement Activities.** Deputy Hogue provided a copy of the Sheriff's Department MCE activity report was distributed to members. The Report included the number of traffic stops, citations issued, time spent on truck routes and so forth during the last quarter (October – December 2008)
- A. **Department of Public Health/Fairchild update.** Steve Alworden reported that Judge Jackson sentenced Mr. Fairchild to 90 days in jail for refusing to demolish a building. The county will be going before Judge Crane in an attempt to recover the \$30,000-\$40,000 dollars cleanup fees which are unlikely to be recovered. Activity reports for October – December were included in the agenda packets. Major activities included routine inspections of solid waste facilities, investigations of numerous complaints, and consultations with other agencies. Steve Alworden reported he had worked on several programs including the Clean Sweep, Household Hazardous Waste Collection and the scrap computer collection. Alworden reported that he is working with a family who had a mercury spill and has been getting steady calls ever since. He also discussed the health dangers of mercury.
- B. **Mosquito Abatement.** Randy Knepper reported on Mosquito Control Tire Collection. Mosquito Control is currently taking applications for summer help until January 30, 2009. Training will start for temporary employees in March. Currently there are 3 five day tire drives scheduled for 2009.
- C. **Road Commission Actives.** No report.
- D. **Mid Michigan Waste Authority.** Monica Duebbert distributed written summaries of both Education Program and Technical Program activities conducted during the 4thrd Quarter 2008 to the committee. Education programs include school activities, public information, special events, public speaking engagements, and publications and advertising. Information was also included for household hazardous waste collection, and electronics (e-waste) recycling projects. Duebbert mentioned that there will be a Computer and television scrap collection event on Saturday, January 17, 2009 at the Buena Vista DPS facility from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

6. **Communications**

- A. **Committee Appointments.** It was noted by Phil Grimaldi that J. Malzahn, D. McInerney, P. Mikac, M. Smith and T. Darnell have been reappointed, their terms will expire on December 31, 2011.
- B. Other. none

7. **Unfinished Business.**

- A. **Review of current Solid Waste Management Plan (discussion as needed).**
To date there have been no Legislative changes, staff and Chair will advise the committee of any new information.
- B. **Waste-to-Energy projects update (if new information is available).**
Duebbert noted that at the last meeting it was mentioned that Alpena was targeted for the construction of an Waste-to-Energy facility. According to research the location is not feasible at this time. Duebbert will update members with any new information.

8. **New Business.**

- A. **Project Updates. none**
 - 1. **FY 2010 Budget and Call for Projects**

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Malzahn mentioned that Solid Waste 3 year commitment for the MCE project ended in 2008. If the current sheriff wants to continue the agreement MCE Project Proposal cost needs to be available by the next meeting on April 14, 2009. Phil Grimaldi advised Deputy Hogue to have Deputy Fitzmiller from the Sheriff Dept. contact Doug Bell regarding project costs as soon as possible.

FY 2009 Budget was discussed with members. Duebbert requested that all projects be available by the next meeting on April 14, 2009. Phil Grimaldi mentioned to members that budget figures have to be submitted to the Controllers office by May 2009.

B. 2. Other. Legislative updates:

Duebbert mentioned that Michigan is taking action in solving the E-waste crisis. In December 2008 Legislation was passed in requiring manufacturers to pay for recycling. Duebbert will update members with any new information.

9. Committee members to be heard
none

- 10. Adjournment.** Motion by Mikac, support by Smith adjourn the meeting. Ayes: all. The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
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Designated Solid Waste Management Planning Agency