

SOLID WASTE PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MARCH 21, 2024



I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Peterson called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Christina Archer, Krysti Barksdale-Noble, Steve Gengler, Judy Gilmour, Todd Latham, Sara Mendez, Tim O'Brien, Jason Peterson, Dave Rood, Mallory Taylor.

Members Absent: Todd Miliron, Stephanie Roskopf.

Staff present: Steve Curatti, Marlin Hartman, Arissa Hunt, Deana Justak, Aaron Rybski, RaeAnn VanGundy.

Guests: None.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Latham moved to approve the agenda. Mr. O'Brien seconded the motion. The motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

V. INTRODUCTIONS

Mr. Peterson thanked everyone for coming. Everyone introduced themselves.

VI. PRESENTATION BY SOLID WASTE COORDINATOR

Mr. Hartman shared a PowerPoint presentation.

- Kendall Environmental Commitment and Waste History
 - o The first "Solid Waste Management System Analysis" report was completed in 1974
- History of Solid Waste Plan and Requirements
 - o Solid Waste Management Act enacted in 1986
 - o The original Kendall County Solid Waste Plan was completed in 1995
- Solid waste changes since 2020
- Pandemic (March 2020-May 2023)
 - o Public education decreased, education for educators decreased, waste haulers short-staffed
- Final Progress on Current 2020 Plan
 - Categories of recommendations in the 2020 plan included administrative, source reduction, recycling, compost/yard waste, waste to energy and alternative technologies, transfer stations, and landfills
 - o Current waste generation per person per day is 6.5 lbs (includes manufacturing, retail, etc.)
 - o Total calculated waste generated in 2023 in Kendall 162,516 tons
 - o Surveying haulers may not provide accurate data
- Solid Waste Planning Changes
- Future Waste Predictions

VII. COMMITTEE REVIEW OF CURRENT RECYCLING OBJECTIVES

A handout of the 2020-2025 Solid Waste Plan Objectives and Implementation Schedule was discussed. Of the four categories of objectives, tonight's discussion would be focused on the Recycling and Source Reduction Objectives.

VIII. SMALL GROUP DIALOGUE

Attendees broke into three groups to discuss current recycling objectives and future recommendations. After discussion, small groups reported back.

- For A all three groups believed the objective should be kept.
- For B groups felt there was value in the objective, but wondered how impact could be measured.
- For C one group believed that the objective should be combined with D, another suggested having hard copies for individuals without internet access, and another suggested increasing social media reach with YouTube shorts, Instagram reels, etc.
- For D a focus in residential and restaurant disposal of grease was suggested.
- For E education through HOAs was suggested.
- For F a suggestion to remove F was made.
- For G all groups suggested focus groups, which could aid in education, outreach, and combating misinformation.

Other suggestions/comments included simplifying information shared with the public, sharing the Earth 911 website, and introducing a "Bottle Bill".

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. VanGundy stated that due to several scheduling conflicts, there is need to reschedule the second meeting originally scheduled for May 23rd, 2024. Ms. Hunt will send out a Doodle Poll to members to determine a suitable replacement date.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

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The meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m. The next meeting is to be determined.

Submitted by:

Arissa Hunt

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