

**OPEN SESSION MINUTES
WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD**

DATE: October 6, 2010

TIME: 9:01 a.m.

LOCATION: Sunnyview Landfill
100 W. County Road Y
Oshkosh, WI

PRESENT: Pat O'Brien, Chairman
Ken Robl, Vice Chairman
Paul Eisen, Secretary
Pat Brennand
Mike Easker
Jerry Finch
Gerald Konrad

EXCUSED: David Albrecht

ALSO PRESENT: John Rabe, Director of Solid Waste
Adrienna Kumbier, Solid Waste Secretary
John Fink, County Executive Assistant
Kurt Pernsteiner, Financial Analyst (9:01 a.m. – 10:10 a.m.)
Jim Morris, Landfill Manager (9:01 a.m. – 10:11 a.m.)
Jennifer Semrau, Recycling Specialist (9:02 a.m. – 9:36 a.m.)

1. Call to Order: P. O'Brien called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.
2. Approve Agenda: Motion to approve the October 6, 2010 agenda with the revised item order noted, made by K. Robl and seconded by P. Brennand. Motion carried 7-0.
3. Public Comments on Agenda Items: None.
4. Approval of Minutes – September 15, 2010 Open Session: Motion to approve the September 15, 2010 open session minutes made by J. Finch and seconded by G. Konrad. Motion carried 7-0.
5. Discussion – Distribution of Final 2011 Budget Document Revisions: J. Rabe informed the Solid Waste Management Board (SWMB) that the suggested additions to the 2011 Budget Documents were submitted to the Finance Department. J. Rabe stated that he has not received the final copy of the budget to ensure these additions were added. J. Fink stated that the 2011 Budget copies have not been distributed yet. P. Eisen stated that if the additions weren't added this time, there would be another opportunity in the adopted budget.

6. Discussion – NEWCMG/WCSWMA Fall Conference Report: J. Semrau updated the SWMB on the NEWCMG/WCSWMA Fall Conference as follows:

- Wednesday, September 29, 2010 – Session Topics
 - Agricultural and Other Film Plastics
 - Oil Filters and Absorbents – vendors were on-site for counties that were looking to implement this because of the new state law banning oil filters and absorbents from landfill disposal. Winnebago County (WC) already offers recycling for oil filters and will add absorbent recycling prior to January 1, 2011.
 - Emerald Ash Borer
- Thursday, September 30, 2010 – Session Topics
 - Legislative & State Updates from the WDNR and UW-Extension Solid & Hazardous Waste Education Center
 - Using Social Networking Media for Marketing (i.e. Facebook and Twitter)

J. Semrau stated that this was the 14th year of the conference and prior to the event this was scheduled to be the last conference. After several requests from attendees, this conference will be held again in 2011.

7. Discussion – Drug Drop Winnebago County, Oshkosh Safety Building Sorting Report: J. Semrau updated the SWMB on the first Drug Drop sort as follows:

- First Sort of the Drug Drop located at the Oshkosh Safety Building (which launched April 22, 2010) took place Tuesday, October 5, 2010 from approximately 7:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the WC Transfer Station.
- Winnebago County Solid Waste (WCSW), along with volunteers/staff from WC Public Health, UW-Oshkosh nursing students, Morton Pharmacy and Lake Winnebago MEG Unit, sorted through 10, 49-gallon totes, weighing 742 lbs.
- After packaging was removed, 450 lbs. of non-controlled/over-the-counter (OTC) medications (meds), 20 lbs. of controlled meds and 20 lbs. of miscellaneous aerosols, thermometers, etc. were collected.
- Very little ‘contamination’ (non-desired materials) was found in the totes (compared to the Appleton drug drop box).
- Controlled meds were taken by law enforcement for disposal.
- Non-controlled/OTC will be stored in the secure Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Facility until final disposal.
- WC, with other northeast Wisconsin Counties, are planning to deliver collected meds to a Covanta incinerator in Indianapolis, Indiana offering to waive the ‘witness burn fee’ for disposal in 2010, to save on expenses.
- The Oshkosh Northwestern came to the sort and ran a story in the Wednesday, October 6, 2010 paper (SWMB was provided with a copy), with 8 photos online.

J. Semrau informed the SWMB that pharmacies in WC have been provided with a “tear off” that promotes the drug drop box to be handed out with prescriptions. J. Semrau stated that as of Friday, October 1, 2010 Walgreens Drug Stores are selling envelopes for \$2.99 to mail back

unused/unwanted drugs (non-controlled meds only). The envelopes are addressed to Sharp's Compliance in Texas where they have an incinerator for the medications.

J. Semrau informed the SWMB that on September 29, 2010 the Safe and Secure Drug Disposal Act (federal legislation) passed the Senate. This act requires the Controlled Substances Act be amended to allow the take back of controlled substances by approved parties, not strictly law enforcement.

P. O'Brien asked what hospice and/or group homes do with their excess medications. J. Semrau stated that a lot of the materials from those facilities are flushed down the toilet, and due to the controlled substance regulations, there are limited options for these facilities.

J. Rabe informed the SWMB that he originally had some concerns with doing a medication/drug sort at the Transfer Station where inmates work. J. Semrau explained that all parties are aware that there are inmates that work at the Transfer Station and law enforcement officials still approved the sorting and storage of medications here. J. Semrau added that the medications will be stored in the HHW facility which is locked. Boxes are taped shut so any tampering will be immediately apparent.

8. Discussion – Sunnyview Landfill End Use Plan Update: J. Rabe updated the SWMB on the Sunnyview Landfill End Use Plan as follows:

- 1996/1997 Plantings – Approximately 245 trees around perimeter of property.
- 2008/2009 Plantings – Approximately 345 trees around perimeter of property.
- Phase Sequencing Plan Mod submitted to WDNR in December 2002 included proposed End Use Plan for Sunnyview Landfill (Approved by WDNR May 2003).
 - Tree plantings on final cover
 - Walking trails on sideslope diversion berms
 - Optional observation area and pond enhancements
- Plan to begin implementation during 2011 Final Cover construction.
- Applied Ecological Services (Brian Tippetts – former La Crosse County Solid Waste Director) approached SWMB about their services (meeting in November 2009). Focus is on restoration of native ecology.

J. Rabe asked the SWMB for their thoughts and ideas.

P. Eisen suggested turning the landfill into a ski and/or sledding hill.

K. Robl asked if any of the trees that were originally planted in were destroyed by the deer. J. Rabe stated that about half of the trees planted in 2008/2009 did have deer damage.

Discussion ensued amongst the SWMB regarding different ideas for the end use of the landfill.

General consensus of the SWMB was to bring in a few different companies who have successfully done end use projects at landfills to give the SWMB some ideas.

9. Future Agenda Items: J. Rabe stated a discussion on biosolids will be on the first meeting in November 2010 as information becomes available. General consensus of the SWMB was to speed up the process of discussing the direct haul options for the northern communities in WC.
10. Set Next Meeting Date: The next meeting date will be October 20, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.
11. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by G. Konrad and seconded by P. Brennand. Motion carried 8-0. Meeting was adjourned at 10:21 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Adrienna Kumbier
Solid Waste Secretary

Approved by SWMB – October 20, 2010