

MINNESOTA

SOLID WASTE

Administrator's Association Executive Board Meeting Minutes

AMC Conference

Hyatt Regency

1300 Nicollet Mall

Minneapolis, MN

Monday, December 3rd, 2007

Attendees: Jill Johnson, Mike Hanan, Hank Schreifels, Jerry Johnson, Ron Gregg, John Exner, Bill Patnaude, Vern Massie, Robby Fischer, Ted Troolin, Julie Ketchum, Doug Morris, Paul Smith, Steve Steuben, Michelle Beeman, Marlin Larson, Paul Henriksen, Mike Cook, Dave Kronlokken, Rick Frank, Jon Steiner, Randy Kiser, Tim Nelson, Kevin Ruud, Terry Neff, Scott Fichtner, Mark Gamm

- I. **Introduction** The meeting was called to order by President, Mark Gamm at 11:43 a.m. followed by introductions.
- II. **Secretary's Report** Motion by Ted Troolin, seconded by Doug Morris to approve the secretary's report; motion carried.
- III. **Treasurer's Report** Paul Henriksen gave the treasurer's report. We have a balance of \$31,911.01. Motion to approve by Doug Morris; seconded by Bill Patnaude, treasurer's report approved.
- IV. **E-waste Discussion** An update on the E-waste program was provided by MPCA staff, Garth Hickel and Lisa Bujack, the new E-waste program manager. Lisa reported that February 1st, 2008, is the deadline for manufacturers to register or they cannot sell products in Minnesota. The MPCA will be holding a workshop in January for Best Management Practices for recyclers of e-waste. Lisa reported that the Mall of America event collected over 1.5 million pounds of e-waste. The State E-waste Contract is extended for six months and will then be advertised. Doug Morris questioned the liability issues for e-waste disposal and a discussion followed. State certification would be helpful to counties to make sure that materials are not going to an inappropriate place.
- V. **SWAA Committees:**
 - **Conference Planning Committee** Randy Kiser reported that the surveys of Solid Waste Administrators favored the conference going back to Cragun's Resort as a permanent site. Cragun's Resort has been reserved for September 10th – 12th for the 2008 conference.

Randy will ask Solid Waste Administrators and MPCA staff in the area to help with the conference planning committee. If anyone is interested in being involved, please contact Randy.
- VI. **MPCA Update** Paul Smith reported that the policy report will be released in mid to late December. The comment period will be ten (10) days. It will be on the SWAA link and

interested persons will also be emailed the report. The final report will be sent to the legislature.

VII. AMC and SWAA Legislation

- **SCORE funding proposals** Ted Troolin gave an interesting Power Point on the status of SCORE funding and a discussion followed regarding the need for funding stability. Mark Gamm asked for volunteers to help develop a plan to capture increased SCORE funding permanently.
- **Waste Pesticide Task Force** Jon Steiner gave an update from the Waste Pesticide Task Force. A report will be given to the House and Senate Finance Chairs recommending funding for residential and agriculture pesticides.

There are some issues regarding funding for residential pesticides between MPCA and the Department of Ag.

- Vern Massie reported that the North Dakota Solid Waste Recycling Association publishes a newsletter that provides information on new solid waste people, what counties are doing and what works in different counties. The group decided to investigate this further.
- Doug Morris commented that the C D & I Recycling of Construction Debris document is available for use. He commented that the pre inspection rules for demolition have no enforcement at this time.

VIII. Adjournment Motion by Jon Steiner, seconded by Paul Henriksen to adjourn, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill Johnson, Secretary
SWAA Secretary