



BENTON COUNTY

Solid Waste Advisory Council (SWAC)

January 22, 2020 Minutes | 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm

Members Present: John Deuel (Unincorporated Area of Benton County), Jeff Freeman (City of Corvallis), Larry Sleeman (Chair, City of Philomath), Debi Gile (City of Corvallis), Lauri Richer (City of Corvallis), Jay Simpkins (Benton County unincorporated area)

Guests Present: Ian Macnab (Republic Services), Toni Barreras (Republic Services), Julie Jackson (Republic Services)

Staff Present: Xan Augerot, (Commissioner), Greg Verret (Benton County Community Development), Jennifer Brown (Benton County Sustainability Coordinator); Linda Ray, Administrative Specialist (Benton County Community Development); Daniel Redick, Solid Waste and Water Quality Program Coordinator (Benton County Community Development)

- I. **Call to Order.** Chair Larry Sleeman called the meeting to order at 6:49 pm.
- II. **Introductions and Citizen Comments.** No citizen comments.
 - I. **Approval of the Minutes.** **MOTION** was made by Jeff Freeman to accept the December 11, 2019 minutes, seconded by John Deuel, all in favor, **MOTION** passed.
 - II. **Citizen Comments/Member Requests.** None
- III. **Review of SWAC Bylaws.** Committee members pointed out several revisions needing to be made to the SWAC Bylaws. Most of these changes are similar in the DSAC Bylaws. Daniel will make revisions and bring them to the next SWAC meeting on February 26th.
- IV. **Chair/Vice Chair Elections.** Larry led the discussion on the annual election for SWAC Chair and Vice Chair positions. Jay Simpkins, current Vice Chair stated that if asked to take on the Chair position that he would decline. The committee requested that Larry Sleeman continue as Chair and elected Jeff Freeman as the new Vice Chair. Jeff Freeman made a **MOTION** to make these changes, seconded by John Deuel, all in favor, 5-1 (abstained), **MOTION** passed.
- V. **Yearly Calendar Review.** The committee reviewed the 2020 calendar and decided to make the following changes;
 - “Dumpstoppers” will be included in Republic Service’s Annual Report in March. (The Annual Report was also moved from Jan/Feb to March)
 - “Gauging County Residents” and “Response to Proposed Rates” will both be taken off the calendar as both are included in other discussions with Republic Services.
 - The “Overview Presentation” will be taken on by Daniel Redick and his report will be shared with SWAC members in March 2020.

- “OSU Recycling Tour” – John Deuel will report back to the committee once he is able to secure a date for this event. It will be combined with the DSAC/SWAC meetings.
- “C&D MRF Update” – a follow up was suggested on this for the annual review. But left on the calendar for now.
- “DEQ Report” was added to the calendar for February.

- VI. **Report from Republic Services.** Julie shared with the committee that Republic Services distributed a community flyer detailing information on waste and recycling. There were 19 versions of this flyer created (to fit all the county communities). These versions can also be found on Republic Service website, as well as the county library. Several revisions need to be made on the Adair Village and Philomath flyers. There was a brief discussion among the committee on issues the community is facing around recycling in the county. The committee agreed that the community needs more education, especially on the #5 recyclables and disposable options with glass products.
- VII. **Recruiting New Committee Members.** Committee members discussed potential new members to add to the SWAC committee. There is a new member from the Albany area that is in the application process with the BOC. The committee would like to see a community member living near the landfill be present to give more insight and perspective.
- VIII. **Agenda items for next meeting.** These are the recommendations for February’s SWAC Meeting topics; Recruiting new members, DEQ Report, Materials Management Presentation, ODEQ Conference Report (1/30), Bylaw Revisions, Benton County Solid Waste Initiatives, Discussion about March Meeting Date (the current proposed date is during Spring Break).
- IX. **Adjourn. MOTION** was made by John Deuel to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jeff Freeman, **MOTION** passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 7:59 pm.