

Item #14:
Village Trustee Yaeger
SWALCO Board Meeting - *October 24, 2013*



SOLID WASTE AGENCY OF LAKE COUNTY, IL

MEMORANDUM

To: SWALCO Directors and Alternates
From: Walter S. Willis, Executive Director *WSW*
Subject: October 2013 Meeting Notice Information
Date: October 18, 2013

Attached you will find the agenda for this month's meeting, minutes from our June 21, 2013 meeting, and the referenced action and information items. We have numerous important action items this month so your attendance is very important.

I look forward to seeing you at the meeting, and please let Lorin know if you or an alternate will be attending the meeting.

**SOLID WASTE AGENCY OF LAKE COUNTY, IL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2013 7:00 P.M.
HAINESVILLE VILLAGE HALL
100 HAINESVILLE ROAD, HAINESVILLE, IL 60030**

AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER** Chairman
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL** Secretary
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Committee
Minutes of June27, 2013
5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
6. **NEW AGENDA ITEMS**
7. **BOARD ITEMS** Executive Director

Action Items

1. Swalco 2014 Meeting Calendar
2. Proposed FY 2014 Swalco budget
3. Contract – Larry Clark, General Counsel
4. Contract – Kip Kolkmeier – Lobbyist
5. Appointing Citizens Advisory Committee for 2014 Plan Update
6. Agreement with Chicago Textile Recycling
7. Waukegan’s Membership Status
8. Second Amendment of the Electronic Products Recycling Agreement

Information Items

1. HCW Update
2. 3rd Qtr. 2013 Residential Electronics Collection Program Summary (*not in packet*)
3. 3rd Qtr. 2013 Per Ton Payment Report (*not in packet*)
4. Project and Program Updates
5. Health Department Report – Mike Kuhn
6. Recycle-O-Rama 2013

8. **EXECUTIVE SESSION - IF NEEDED**
9. **ADJOURNMENT**

MINUTES

SOLID WASTE AGENCY OF LAKE COUNTY, IL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 2013 7:00 P.M.
100 HAINESVILLE ROAD, HAINESVILLE, IL

MEMBERS ATTENDING: *See Attachment 1, Sign In and Attachment 2, Voting Record.*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Mount called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. with 20 members present. Highland Park and Green Oaks were delayed and arrived late. Pete Adrian was not in attendance.

After Roll Call, Chairman Mount started with the Information Items until we reached Quorum.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by *Hawthorn Woods*, seconded by *Riverwoods* to approve the minutes of April 11, 2013. *Motion was approved.*

Motion by *Deerfield*, seconded by *Wadsworth* to approve the REVISED minutes of November 29, 2012. *Motion was approved.*

PUBLIC COMMENT: *None*

NEW BOARD ITEMS: *None*

BOARD ITEMS

Action Items (Quorum was reached at 8:07 with the arrival of Green Oaks)

Motion by *Hawthorn Woods*, seconded by *Wadsworth* to repeat Roll Call for Quorum.
Motion Approved.

1. Fiscal Year 2012 Audit

Walter Willis discussed the report and the findings of Baker Tilly for the 2012 Fiscal Year. The audit included a Statement of Net Assets and a Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets, Statement of Cash Flows and a letter to the Board of Directors concerning comments and recommendations. Hard/bound copies were provided.

Motion by *Hawthorn Woods*, seconded by *Hainesville* to approve the FY 2012 audit prepared by Baker Tilly. *Motion Approved.*

2. **Membership Resolution**

Walter Willis discussed the decision made by the Executive Committee that the Agency would amend its by-laws to better define the responsibilities and obligations of being a SWALCO member. The Executive Committee felt such a by-law would be too difficult to enforce. The recommendation is that the staff would prepare a resolution that the Board of Directors would approve.

Motion by *Riverwoods*, seconded by *Wadsworth* to approve the Membership Resolution with the correction of a spelling issue. *Motion Approved.*

3. **City of Waukegan's O&M Fee and SWALCO Membership Status**

Walter Willis explained that a meeting with the Mayor of Waukegan indicated an interest in regaining full membership status with SWALCO. The benefits were discussed and Mr. Willis indicated that the issue of past payments due would be brought before the Executive Committee and Board of Directors to see if there was support for forgiving the past payments. This did not include the payment due this year of \$36,198.08.

Motion by *Grayslake*, seconded by *Deerfield*, to approve forgiveness of past debt and recognize Waukegan as a full member of SWALCO. *Motion Approved.*

4. **Elections to the Executive Committee**

Walter Willis discussed that two year terms of four Executive Committee members elected by the Board of Directors expired in April. Following the procedure used last year to elect members of the Executive Committee an information item had presented at the April Board of Directors meeting for those interested in serving on the Executive Committee.

Candidates gave a brief introductions. After the introductions, the nominations were opened and ballots were presented.

The following candidates were on the ballot and must receive a majority of the quorum votes:
Mike Ellis, Grayslake; Joe Napolitano, North Chicago; John Wagener, Green Oaks; Tony Blumberg, Highland Park; John Norris, Riverwoods; Linda Soto, Hainesville

Motion by *Riverwoods*, seconded by *Deerfield*, to close the nominations. *Motion Approved.*

Ballots were counted and tallied by legal counsel, Larry Clark.

The new Executive Committee for two year terms:

Mike Ellis
Joe Napolitano
John Wagener
John Norris

Information Items

1. **SWALCO Shoe Recycling and Reuse Program**
Merleanne Rampale gave a brief testimony of the success of the program. Numerous community groups came together during the first week in May to drop-off a record number of shoes for the 2012 program. Schools, scout troops, village and city departments, park districts, libraries, corporate offices and other community groups from all around the county united in the effort. The Village of Vernon Hills Public Works Department again acted as host site for the final collection and drop-off for 100+ groups.
2. **Compost Bin and Rain Barrel Sale Summary**
Merleanne Rampale gave a brief overview of the event that was very well attended. During the six hour we welcomed several hundred visitors and sold approximately 500 rain barrels and compost bins in total (twice as many rain barrels as bins) and approximately 200 tools and accessories. An additional 60 Rain Barrels will also be available for purchase at SWALCO. A \$5.00 donation per bin/barrel sold was negotiated for the Agency from EnviroWorld which will mean approximately \$2,500 revenue generated from the sale.
3. **School Education and Outreach**
Merleanne Rampale discussed SWALCO's school outreach programs to educate Lake County students, teachers, administrators and parents about a number of environmental initiatives and topics that involve caring for our environment/our planet Earth, including sustainability and the "4R's": reduce, reuse, recycle and recover (buying recycled products). SWALCO works with teachers, students, parents and administration on a variety of initiatives. Help is given to implement recycling programs, provide educational assistance, information and training, suggest environmental activities and projects, and act as a resource and guide throughout the school year.
4. **1st Qtr 2013 Residential Electronics Collection Program Summary**
Walter Willis gave a brief summary of all activity within the SWALCO Residential Electronics Collection Program for the first three months of 2013.
5. **1st Qtr 2013 Recycling and Per Ton Payment Report**
Walter Willis gave a brief report of tabulations of curbside recyclable material tonnage, by member community, for the first quarter of 2013
6. **Health Department Report**
Mike Kuhn discussed recent activities regarding the landfills (Countryside/Grayslake) (Advanced Disposal/Zion), compost facilities/landscape waste transfer stations and food scrap.
7. **Project and Program Updates**
Walter Willis gave a brief update on several projects and programs SWALCO is currently working on:
 - The Lake County Board voted to approve amendments to its Solid Waste Hauling and Recycling Ordinance. The amendments become effective on January 1, 2014.

- Walter Willis is working with Wadsworth on residential hauling and Libertyville's commercial hauling.
- Walter and Pete attended the annual Illinois Recycling Association's conference. Walter presented a legislative update and moderated the session on carpet recycling.
- The website has been updated to include a more user friendly home page.
- Walter was formally appointed to the Task Force on the Advancement of Materials Recycling.
- Walter attended a Great Lake Pharmaceutical conference and the National Product Stewardship strategy meeting.
- Larry Clark has been negotiating with IMRF on behalf of SWALCO. IMRF has notified SWALCO that it must have its employees covered by a SWALCO IMRF account and not Lake County's. SWALCO established such an account many years ago and will have to begin using it again.
- Groot filed its siting application on June 21, 2013 with the Village of Round Lake Park for a proposed garbage transfer station..

Executive Session: *None*

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Thursday, August 22, 2013 - 7:00 p.m. Hainesville Village Hall, 100 N. Hainesville Road

ADJOURNMENT: *8:30 p.m.*

Motion by *Lake County*, seconded by *Third Lake* to adjourn. ***Motion was approved.***