

Hendricks County Solid Waste Management District

March 26, 2013

The Hendricks County Solid Waste Management District met at 7:00 a.m. on March 26, 2013, in the Commissioners' Meeting Room at the Hendricks County Government Center.

President Beverley Austin opened the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken and members in attendance were:

Myron Anderson	Beverley Austin
Caleb Brown	Ed Gaddie
Bob Gentry	Phyllis Palmer
Matt Whetstone	

Board members Marcia Lynch and Dwayne Sawyer were not in attendance.

Others in attendance were:

Katie Archer	Calvin Davidson
Brad Eisenhart	Lenn Detwiler
Bill Guarnerly	Patricia Knoll

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Gentry moved to approve the minutes from the January 22, 2013, Board Meeting as corrected. Mrs. Palmer seconded the motion. The motion passed, 7-0-0.

Educators' Reports

Outreach Coordinator

Mrs. Siefertman gave a report on another successful year of "Recycle Heart & Sole." She said slightly fewer schools participated than had done so in the past, but the number of shoes collected was still 4,500 pairs. She said one of the schools collected 1,500 pairs of shoes alone.

She went on to say the "365 Every Day Counts" campaign is continuing with topics such as "Composting" and "Grasscycling." She said that some changes were made to the District's website to allow easier access to the "How To..." videos.

Youth Education Coordinator

Mrs. Archer then presented thank-you notes from second graders she recently provided a program for. She said with spring break coming up in the local schools, she would be working on preparing summer programs and brochures.

Director's Report

Unwanted Medicines Drop Box

Mr. Detwiler began his report by notifying the Board that the Unwanted Medicines Drop Box located in the Avon Police Department is almost ready for public use. He said he would send out a press release including the launch date sometime in the next week.

He noted that he was also contacted by Jill Lees of the Plainfield Police Department expressing interest in starting a similar program. Because the Avon Drop Box had been provided by an Illinois-Indiana Sea Grant, and no more of those grants are available, he was asking the Board to provide the funds to purchase the Drop Box with graphics for Plainfield. The cost would be around \$850. Mr. Gentry made a motion for approval, and Mrs. Palmer seconded the motion for discussion. After some discussion, Mr. Gentry amended his motion to have Mr. Detwiler contact the larger police departments in the county to see if any others would be interested in the program and then proceed with the purchase of the boxes and graphics for the interested departments. Mrs. Palmer seconded the amended motion. The motion passed, 7-0-0.

Avon Outdoor Learning Center

Mr. Detwiler then explained that the Avon Outdoor Learning Center (AOLC) is currently facing financial difficulties and he asked if the Board would consider providing the center with a grant to help them with their ongoing expenses; noting that there is a great deal of overlap between the District and the work the staff of the AOLC does. He suggested perhaps having Mrs. Davies from the AOLC present data specific to the number of children educated through their program and the mission overlap with the District. Discussion was held with Board members expressing reservations about ongoing grants and likelihood of other school systems seeking similar help if the offer was made to the AOLC.

Electronics Recycling Proposal

Mr. Detwiler went on to inform the Board of a recycling opportunity presented to him by Mr. Wright with Disposal Alternatives Organization during the Brownsburg electronic recycling event at the beginning of the year. The company would be willing to provide large containers to place at the Yard Waste Recycling Centers that could be used to collect electronics for recycling at no charge to either the public or to the District. That collection would include televisions. After some discussion, it was recommended that Mr. Detwiler discuss the proposal with the Citizen's Advisory Committee, and check with Brownsburg and Plainfield municipalities for preliminary approval to place the containers.

Special Projects Fund Requests

Mr. Detwiler then explained that in recent weeks two towns sought information from him about use of Hendricks County Special Projects Fund money for projects

within their town limits. He noted that previously expenditures from the fund were only for projects within the County's jurisdiction. Mr. Detwiler explained that he met with Mike Graham, the Commissioners' Administrator, about the requests and that Mr. Graham developed some very preliminary guidelines about how help could be extended to the towns from the fund. He noted that the procedure by which projects were recommended and ultimately approved for payment would not change. Mrs. Palmer said she would like to see the legal definition of the use and purpose of the Special Projects Fund, because she felt the fund should be monitored closely. Mr. Detwiler said he would be sure the Board was informed of any future discussions.

Upcoming Events

Mr. Detwiler shared the following upcoming events with the Board:

- Plainfield Yard Waste Recycling Center will be opening Monday, April 1st, and the Brownsburg Yard Waste Recycling Center will open on Tuesday, April 2nd. All of the Yard Waste Recycling Center attendants will be returning to their previous posts.
- The first Tox-Away Day for 2013 will be held at the Brownsburg High School on Saturday, April 13 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Mr. Detwiler will be participating in a Debris Management Workshop at the Indiana Department of Homeland Security. He said Dave Warren from Hendricks County Emergency Management invited him to attend to help work on the Debris Management Plan for Hendricks County.
- Mr. Detwiler shared with the Board Latex Paint Drying Cards created to explain how to dispose of old latex paint, one of the major issues at the District's Tox-Away Days. He said the cards would be placed on paint counters in local locations to help educate the public on proper procedures.

Financial Report

Financial Facts Summary

Mr. Detwiler presented to the Board the Financial Facts Summaries for January and February. There were no comments.

Income Chart

Mr. Detwiler then presented the 2013 Income Chart as of the end of February. There were no comments.

Register of Claims—General Fund and Special Projects Fund

Mr. Detwiler presented the Register of Claims dated February 26, 2013 and March 26, 2013 and the Special Projects Fund Register of Claims dated March 26, 2013. Mr. Anderson moved to approve the General Fund Register of Claims dated February 26, 2013, in the amount of \$40,760.68 and the General Fund Register of Claims dated March 26, 2013, in the amount of \$502,123.22. Mr. Gentry seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0. Mr. Anderson then moved to approve the Special Projects Fund Register of Claims dated March 26, 2013, in the amount of \$12,850.00. Mr. Gentry seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0.

CAC Report

Mr. Guarnerly reported that the Citizen's Advisory Committee gave their approval for the following grant requests:

- Avon Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) - \$942 to purchase mulch, rain barrels and rain diverters for a community garden.
- Avon Outdoor Learning Center - \$1,000 to purchase composters and recycling containers for their facility.
- St. Mark's Episcopal Church and Community Outreach Center - \$2,200 for recycled material picnic tables, edging, weed barrier and mulch for an outdoor area.
- Town of Brownsburg - \$730 for recycled paper placemats with recycling information printed on them.
- Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6128 - \$1,000 to purchase recycling containers to help with aluminum can collections.

Mr. Guarnerly said he was interested in meeting with Mr. Detwiler to discuss the possibility of changing the guidelines for the District's Community Grants Program.

Mr. Whetstone moved to approve the recommendations of the CAC for the Spring 2013 Grants. Mr. Gentry seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0.

Board of Director's Comments

Mrs. Austin welcomed the new Board member, Matt Whetstone.

Adjournment

Mrs. Palmer moved for adjournment and Mr. Gentry seconded the motion. Mrs. Austin adjourned the meeting at 7:51 a.m.

Beverley Austin, President