

**Hendricks County Solid Waste Management District
December 15, 2015**

The Hendricks County Solid Waste Management District met at 7:00 p.m. on December 15, 2015, at the Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds & Conference Complex at 1900 E. Main Street, Danville.

Secretary-Treasurer Marcia Lynch opened the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken and members in attendance were:

Caleb Brown	Dennis Dawes
Ed Gaddie	Bob Gentry
Marcia Lynch	Phyllis Palmer
Matt Whetstone	

Board members not present were Beverley Austin and Eric Wathen.

Others in attendance were:

Mr. Charles Bartley	Mr. & Mrs. Dan Bridget
Ms. Rachel Buckman	Mr. & Mrs. Lenn Detwiler
Mrs. Pat Gaddie	Mr. Mike Graham
Mr. & Mrs. William Guarnery	Ms. Julie Haan
Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Healy	Mr. & Mrs. Allan Knoll
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Marion	Mr. Lewis Mathis
Mr. Doug Morris	Mr. Fred Palmer
Mr. & Mrs. Jim Parker	Mr. & Mrs. Eric Sieferman

Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Palmer moved to approve the minutes from the October 27, 2015, Board Meeting as presented. Mr. Gentry seconded the motion. The motion passed, 7-0-0.

Director's Report

Year End Presentation

Mr. Detwiler opened with a presentation highlighting the District's accomplishments in 2015.

- The District's Yard Waste Recycling Centers helped 4,645 visitors for the year, slightly more than in 2014, with the Brownsburg location having its best year to date.
- The Recycling Drop-off Centers collected 1,321,400 pounds of recyclables through November. W Enterprises began servicing the Centers in late November and added an additional bin to the busiest Center in Lizton.
- A total of 4,049 residents attended the District's five Tox-Away Day events in 2015, almost 700 more than in 2014. Over 163,561 pounds of Household Hazardous Waste was collected, with a total of 359,012 pounds of material collected through the events.
- The District's Youth Education Program presented programs to over 10,500 students, ranging in age from Pre-K to 8th grade.
- District staff regularly connected to over 1,500 people with the bi-monthly e-newsletter, an increase of 320 since 2014. The District's website was accessed over 26,700 times in 2015 by 19,941 unique users.

- Staff used social media, Facebook and a new platform called Nextdoor, to connect with county residents.
- The District funded seven of eight grant requests for the year totaling nearly \$20,000 in grant funding.
- Mr. Detwiler shared that in 2016, staff would continue to focus on what has been working with regard to programs, outreach and services. He added that the pending building project, Sharps Exchange Program and update to the Recycling Guide would also be focuses for the new year.

ACH Payments to W Enterprise

Mr. Detwiler then asked the Board for approval to explore the option of making automatic checking payments to the new provider for the Recycling Drop-Off Centers, W Enterprises. Mr. Brown moved to approve that request, and Mr. Dawes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0.

Legislative Update

Mr. Detwiler reported that the Environmental Affairs Committee recently undertook a review of Indiana's solid waste management district as is required by statute every five years. The review went well, with the committee members indicating that they appreciate the work the districts do in the state.

Mr. Detwiler went on to inform the Board that a new piece of legislation would likely be introduced in January that would allow counties to choose whether or not to maintain a solid waste management district. Mr. Detwiler explained that he would be sure to keep the Board apprised of the situation as it unfolded.

Financial Report

Financial Facts Summary Dated October 31st, 2015

Mr. Detwiler presented the Financial Facts Summary for October 31, 2015. There were no questions or comments.

General Fund 2015 Income Chart

Mr. Detwiler presented the General Fund 2015 Income Chart as of the end of November. There were no questions or comments.

Register of Claims-Hendricks County Special Projects Fund

Mr. Detwiler then asked the Board for formal approval of the claims register reflecting two payments from the Hendricks County Special Projects Fund in the total amount of \$286,000. Mr. Detwiler pointed out the Board had previously approved the expenditures, but that the register of claims had not been available for approval at that time. Mr. Dawes moved to approve the register and Mrs. Palmer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0.

Register of Claims --General Fund

Mr. Detwiler then presented the General Fund Register of Claims dated November 24, 2015, in the amount of \$42,275.94. Mr. Dawes moved to approve the request. Mr. Gaddie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0.

New Business

Hendricks County Special Projects Fund Request- Clean up of Crum Property

Mr. Detwiler then informed the Board of a request from the County Commissioners to have the Hendricks County Special Projects Fund pay the costs of cleaning up a nuisance property and bring it into compliance with the County Zoning Ordinance. It was noted during the discussion that the same property was court ordered to be cleaned in 2007 and the cost of that cleanup effort was also paid by the Hendricks County Special Projects Fund in an amount of \$23,100. The owner has declared bankruptcy, and there is little chance of reimbursement. The lowest estimate for the cost of the current cleanup was \$13,960. After discussion, Mrs. Palmer moved to approve payment for the cost of the cleanup from the Special Projects Fund. Mr. Gentry seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0.

2016 Board Meeting Dates

Mr. Detwiler then asked the Board Members if they would like to continue to meet once a quarter in 2016 as they did in 2015. After discussion, Mr. Whetstone moved to continue to hold the Board Meetings on the fourth Tuesday of the first month of each quarter at 7am in the Commissioners' Meeting Room at the Hendricks County Government Center. The dates of those meetings would be January 26, April 26, July 26, and October 25, with the understanding that special meetings could be called as needed. Mrs. Palmer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0.

2015 Environmental Education Award- Cara Marion, Maple Elementary School

Mrs. Siefertman then presented Mrs. Cara Marion, a teacher from Maple Elementary School in Avon, with the 2015 Environmental Education Award in recognition of her consistent and outstanding efforts to teach her classes the importance of recycling and reusing in the school and home setting.

Award for Ed Gaddie

Mrs. Lynch then presented Mr. Gaddie, who would not be returning to the Board in 2016, with an award produced from recycled glass and warmly thanked him for his years of service to the District as an active member of the Board of Directors.

Board of Directors' Comments, Concerns & Questions

Mrs. Lynch wished all a Merry Christmas, and thanked everyone for the well wishes after her recent surgery.

Mrs. Palmer also wished everyone a Merry Christmas, and stated how thankful she was that Mr. Detwiler was the District's Director and said she was grateful for all of the District's staff members.

Mr. Gentry and Mr. Brown added their wishes for a Merry Christmas to all attending.

Mr. Gaddie introduced Mr. Dan Bridget who will be representing the Town of Plainfield on the Board of Directors in 2016.

Announcements/Adjournment

Mrs. Palmer moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 p.m., with Mr. Gentry seconding the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0.

Marcia Lynch, Secretary-Treasurer