

# WASTE FACILITIES MONITORING COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, February 4, 2010 APPROVED 5/6/10

Chairman Wolff called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. Brionne Bischke, Mr. Stan Bugnacki (6:20 p.m.), Mr. Steven Carlson, Mr. Don Counter and

Mr. Marvin Wolff.

Mr. Mike Hackney and Mr. Dan Otzelberger representing Waste Management.

ABSENT: Mrs. Karen Fiedler (excused), Mr. Nick loder (excused), Mr. Roland Kieffer

It was noted that the meeting was posted in accordance with the open meeting law.

GUESTS: Chester Mantey, Ms. Anna Krajcik, Mr. J. W. Spear, Sr. and Mr. Jo Spear Jr. of J Spear

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#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November 5, 2009

Mr. Don Counter moved to approve the minutes of the November 5, 2009 meeting. Mr. Brionne Bischke seconded. Upon a voice vote, the motion to approve the minutes carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mr. Chester Mantey (23702 7 Mile Road, Muskego WI) addressed the committee members on the amount of roadside litter along Highways 36 and 45 and 8 Mile Road. He has talked to Mike Hackney and he does know the landfill has some individuals picking up trash, but is not enough. According to Mike, this is being done only in the spring and the fall. Mr. Mantey stated this is not going to take care of the problem. A comprehensive plan with enough people to do the job is needed. He acknowledged that it was more than just Waste Management itself. It's also the other commercial and municipal entities that are offloading at the landfills. He noted that the State of Wisconsin recently received an increase in dumping fees and the communities are paying a price for the landfills being in the area and the landfills receive money also. He would like to see the landfills set aside a percentage and put it towards clean-up crews from spring until winter. Mr. Counter commented that between Highway 36 and Highway 100, it looks terrible. He further mentioned that there is a container company in the area that also contributes to the litter. Also, there is an understanding with the other landfill on the litter issue. Chairman Wolff offered to meet with Mike Hackney and the manager of Veolia to work out an agreement regarding this problem. Mr. Counter would also like to have them meet with the municipalities to address the problem as he could not totally fault the landfills. Chairman Wolff will talk with the officials of the City of Franklin and City of Muskego and also look at the container operation on Highway 36. In regard to the residents using the landfill site and litter dropping from their vehicles, Chairman Wolff will talk with the Chief of Police to see about enforcement for the debris coming off those trailers. Mr. Mantey added that litter is not being picked up by the landfill crew on the median because of the safety concerns. It was discussed to have Racine County and Milwaukee County take care of cleaning the medians. Chairman Wolff is hopeful to have a plan in place by the committee's next meeting in May.

PERSONAL APPEARANCE: Mr. Jo Spear, Jr. introduced Anna Krajcik to the members. She has been trained and is now performing the audits of both landfill sites. He will still be attending committee meetings and if members have any questions, he can be contacted as well as Anna. Chairman Wolff welcomed Anna aboard. Mr. Spear, Jr. turned in the year-end report on the auditing of the landfills. He presented in memorandum form a summary of the company's involvement with the landfill with the year's audits. He stated that the landfill site had made improvements in regard to litter, to odor and to cover. In 2009, there were only two action items which was on the cover and a failure to perform random load inspections. He said that the cover issue seems to be dependant on whether or not Mike or Dan are on site. Changes have been made on staff operating equipment so the quality of the site has been improved over the last year.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Financial report on the committee funds was distributed to the members. Chairman Wolff had contacted Greg Wnuk on the issue relative to the March 31, 2009 interest. This was for the deficit as there was not enough money in the fund and a service charge was assessed. Committee members would like it to be reflective as a service charge. Since the last meeting, payments from the fund were made for attendance, secretarial, office supplies, and well testing services. The fund balance as of December 15, 2009 was \$5,856.41. Mr. Bischke moved to accept the financial report as presented. Mr. Counter seconded. Upon a voice vote, the motion carried.

#### **BUSINESS**

# 2010 Well Monitoring Mailing

Committee members reviewed the documents for the 2010 well monitoring mailing. In the letter, reference to Northern Lakes as the laboratory will be deleted and replaced with reference only to an independent laboratory retained by the committee. Mr. Jo Spear, Jr. stated that they were most satisfied with the quality of work done by the Davies Laboratory in 2009. Mr. Otzelberger of Waste Management also expressed his satisfaction with that laboratory. The mailing is slated to go out the middle of March with returns by mid-April. Mr. Bischke inquired on who paid for the funding of the well monitoring. Mr. Hackney stated that Waste Management pays for the well monitoring; however, the cost of the mailing is out of the committee's fund.

#### Emerald Ash Borer

Mr. Otzelberger reported on his findings regarding the Emerald Ash Borer. He sought by emailing the marketing groups information on Waste Management's programs on this issue. Outside of Minnesota, Illinois and Michigan, he did not receive a lot of feedback. He shared what documented information he received with Chairman Wolff as this is an item of interest to Chairman Wolff as a member of the Franklin committee on the Emerald Ash Borer. He found out that it is a big issue in Michigan and they have a lengthy preparedness plan. As it relates to Waste Management operations, it seems like if they are processing material on the site and it may be sent off-site or outside the guarantined areas, then they sign a compliance agreement based on criteria that each state may have. It seemed to be indicative of operations where material is potentially leaving the site and going to a third party or guarantined areas. If material was not to leave those areas or remaining on site, there was not a lot of information to be gathered in those situations. Chairman Wolff shared that the State of Wisconsin is changing the rules and one is the mulch. They are really coming down on the mulch and he did know that Waste Management was sending their mulch off site. They are finding out that the Emerald Ash Borer is being transported in pallets. His committee has located a couple of sites in Franklin and Oak Creek that were trucking companies and are finding infestations around those sites. He said it originally came from Michigan on a pallet. Once a tree has died and they debark it, there is nothing in the tree in the wood itself to transport as it only stays in the bark in the feeder layer; it does not bore into the ash tree itself. They have also determined that it originally came from Asia on a pallet. Further, he added that it has been found that after the wood is tub ground, you can spray it. There are certain chemicals out that will kill the larvae or the adult after it is tub ground. Mr. Counter questioned if the landfill could turn away accepting the material if

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they didn't want to get involved especially with the State's guidelines on how to handle the material? Chairman Wolff said they can turn it away, they don't have to accept it. He also shared that there is a chemical spray as mentioned by a gentleman who owns a landscape company and supplied Mr. Wolff's committee with chemical company reports that showed a process called "Head to Toe" which is sprayed on the tree from head height to ground level. It is not extremely hazardous; coveralls, foot protection, gloves and face protection is all that is needed. The chemical can be put in a regular hand sprayer. As more research is done by universities, there will be more products coming on the market that will work.

#### Odor Issues

Mr. Otzelberger reported that it has been quiet. Only one odor report received in December and this was shared with the committee members via email. They have been doing a good job of use of cover and gas emissions. Mr. Jo Spear, Jr. added there was only four odor complaints throughout the year.

## WM Reports

Mr. Otzelberger shared a correspondence log with the committee. He highlighted the October 2004 request for zoning for special use, WDNR compliance inspection reports, plan modification, waste water discharge permit, air monitoring reports, and feasibility report determination on the expansion. With the feasibility report approval, they will now be able to move forward to the next step on the expansion.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Mr. Jo Spear, Jr. requested an update on certified operators/managers for 2010 and that suggested dates be provided for their audits as they would like a manager on site for the audits. Mr. Hackney and Mr. Otzelberger will provide dates when one or the other will be on site so that an audit can be done and their certification is good through 2011.

## **Next Meeting Date**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 6, 6:00 p.m. at the landfill site.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

At 6:50 p.m., Mr. Bischke moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Counter. Upon a voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

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Stella Dunahee, CPS, Recording Secretary