

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD OF ALLEGANY COUNTY



DRAFT Meeting Minutes May 3, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.

Hybrid Meeting via Zoom and In-person

Members Present: John Kirby, Woody Getz, Juli McCoy, Carolyn Mathews, Andrew Cowan, Raquel Ketterman, Dusty Hilbert, John Schwalbe, Brynn Laird, Kristen Harper

Members Absent (without Alternate): Wally High, Frank Fox, Misty Joy

Next Meeting: June 7, 2023 at 3:00 p.m., Hybrid Meeting Via Zoom and Meet in Person in Potomac Room 230, County Office Building at 701 Kelly Road, Cumberland, MD

- The April 5th Minutes were approved with a motion from Carolyn and seconded by Raquel.
- The following additions were made to the Agenda for the May 3rd meeting:
 - Andrew requested that Mulch Site be added under new business.

Old Business

Cumberland Curbside Recycling Update:

- Raquel reported that Cumberland's co-mingled recycling is holding steady at 16 tons per month while mixed paper is continuing a slight decline at 5 tons per month. They are beginning to work on an RFP which should be advertised by mid- December.

Mountainview Landfill Update:

- John Schwalbe updated the board on the progress of permits for the expansion of the Landfill. Noble is currently working with the Mining Bureau to relinquish rights on the property. This will ~~simply~~simplify future permitting. They have submitted their surface water management plan. Their next step is to submit construction plans to MDE. John requested a task force meeting before our next regular meeting to review the plans.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event Update:

- Andrew shared that the city of Cumberland pledged \$5,000 towards the event and NEFCO also pledged \$1,000. Elizabeth Stahlman reached out to Andrew to pledge \$2,500 on behalf of the city of Frostburg. The Fairgrounds are reserved for October 7th. The new vendor MXI and YOP are also scheduled. Andrew will acquire a list of all acceptable materials to work with Kati Kenney to advertise the event. He will also verify YOP's payment options. The event will need 7 participants at a time to run. John will contact Patrick O'Brien for potential volunteers. Brynn made a motion to hold the

event from 9am to 2pm and charge residents \$3 per can to dispose of paint. The motion was seconded by Carolyn. The event will no longer be called Too Toxic To Trash.

Agricultural Tire Collection Update:

- An Intergovernmental Agreement is to be presented at the Board of County Commissioners on May 11th. MES has received a contract for SCZ Logistics for final review. The event will be held at Oldtown Garage first two weeks of June. Reimbursement was raised to \$78,000 allowing for up to 220 tons of tires in collection.

Penn-Mar Recycling Signage:

- Andrew sent a diagram to Raquel for possible placement of new sign. Raquel will forward Kenny Dawson's contact information for Andrew to follow up. Andrew is looking into moving the recycling information signs currently at Penn-Mar to the Kelly Road Recycling Site.

New Business

Education:

- Carolyn, along with Lee, Woody and Andrew attended Envirothon at Rocky Gap on April 26th. Carolyn proposed a contest to 6 teachers along with Eric VanSlyke. All of the County High Schools were represented along with Bishop Walsh. The contest would require students to create a video that demonstrates how to recycle in the County. Entries are to be submitted by October 31ST. The winning video will be used for the County's website. Andrew stated that the county website would need to be updated before using as reference. He is currently working on updates. He stated that by the start of the new school year the site would be fully updated. Frank Fox led a field trip from Mount Savage kindergartens on April 21st. Andrew and Brynn attended where 38 students toured Penn-Mar Recycling.

Atrazine:

- Andrew passed on a message from Lee regarding Atrazine. Lee stated the MDA's website contained locations where pesticides could be properly disposed of. Andrew spoke with MDA and they suggested holding onto the Atrazine for a local HHW. MDA does have a program but it is not currently active due to funding.

Mulch Yard

- The County was approached about potentially leasing the Mulch Site located at PPG Road. Andrew stated that no RFPs have been released. The County is still determining on how to approach the matter. The RFP will include that drop-off for residents is to remain free of charge. The matter of free mulch to residents is still undetermined along with hours of operation.

Committee Report:

- **No Reports.**

Task Force:

- **A task force meeting was set for June 7th at 2:15pm**

Meeting Adjourned at 4:04 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Andrew Cowan

Reviewed by John Kirby and Woody Getz