

MINUTES
RILEY COUNTY
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Thursday, May 7, 2009
7:00 P.M.

Riley County Office Building
2nd Floor Conference Room

Members Present: Steve DeHart, Steve Galitzer, Leon Hobson, Dennis Peterson, Jeff Walters, Monty Wedel, William Clark, and Fran Zerby

Others Present: Greg Wilson, Gary Rosewicz, and Lisa Ruthstrom

Members Absent: Karen McCulloh, Charly Pottorff, Paul Werle, Betty Book, Kelly Briggs, Jill Dalton, Richard Miller, Judy Willingham and John Woods.

Steve Galitzer, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

Sign-in, Introduction The sign-in sheet was completed.

Approve the minutes of the previous meeting The minutes of the previous meeting were presented with corrections being noted.

Dennis Peterson moved to approve the minutes with the amendments.

Monty Wedel seconded the motion.

The motion was carried 9-0.

2009 Solid Waste Management Plan Monty Wedel indicated that the submittal deadline for the review and revised draft of the Plan with the State is June 30, 2009. Before the plan can be submitted, the Board of County Commissioners needs to approve and accept the plan following a public hearing.

The committee resumed reviewing the 2009 Solid Waste Management Plan. Several changes were noted. Steve Galitzer will revise page 124, Animal Carcass. Monty Wedel will make all the other revisions to the plan.

Due to limited time, the committee will not meet again to review the plan prior to being presented to the Board of County Commissioners.

Steve Galitzer moved to approve the 2009 Solid Waste Management Plan.

Dennis Peterson seconded the motion.

The motion was carried 9-0.

Monty Wedel will notify the committee when the Board of County Commissioner hearing will be. He will email the final plan to the committee members. Bill Clark indicated he would like a hard copy.

Yard Waste Howard Wilson and Greg Wilson spoke with the committee about keeping yard waste out of the landfill. Greg Wilson toured a private owned facility in Harrisonville, Missouri. Harrisonville has mandatory requirements that yard waste is kept separate from other waste and is a separate pick up. This facility has a separate charge for this service and does the composting. Howie's Recycling has indicated that tonnage is up about a third during summer months due to grass clippings, etc. They are interested in Riley County adopting and enforcing these guidelines.

Gary Rosewicz indicated that space is limited. At this time there is no charge to bring in composting material but there is a charge to take it out.

Monty Wedel suggested studying other places that have implemented this policy. The Board of County Commissioners would have to adopt a resolution to make this mandatory.

Steve Galtizer will get with Richard Nelson to see if there is someone at KSU that would be able to do a waste characterization study to determine the amount of yard waste still in the waste stream that could be recovered.

Monty Wedel suggested that the committee meet again later in the year to address this new topic. Steve Galitzer suggested perhaps a more regular schedule. It was agreed the committee would meet each quarter, provided there were issues to discuss, with the next meeting being on August 20, 2009.

Meeting was adjourned.