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Meeting Minutes - Approved COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT

Monday, March 15, 2010

4:30 PM

210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., Room 108
City-County Building.
Meets the 3rd Monday of the month.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 8 -

Laura E. Hewitt; William C. Sonzogni; Lori O. Grant; Roger T. Bannerman;
Reginald N. Weide; Keith W. Pierce; James P. Bennett and Dan Melton

Absent: 1 -

Larry Palm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Hewitt, seconded by Sonzogni, to Approve the Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

1. [17797](#) 2009 Clean Sweep Annual Report

Dave Radisewitz, Hazardous Waste Coordinator for Public Health, was present to give an overview of the annual Clean Sweep Report, available online here: http://danedocs.countyofdane.com/webdocs/pdf/cleansweep/2009_Annual_Report.pdf

Dave noted that the total waste received dropped by 13% in 2009 from 2008, possibly due to an announcement made by the Governor earlier in the year that there would not be funds for Clean Sweep. There was an increase in people using the Product Exchange program from the previous year.

Committee Members asked about what proportion of hazardous materials are brought to the facility as opposed to being dumped in the trash or flushed. There is no easy way to find the answer to that. The Dane County Clean Sweep facility is open for more hours than any other in the state. The plan is to expand the dates it is open with a new, indoor facility. He also noted that the materials they receive vary widely. If it has been made, it has been dropped off at the site.

2. [17804](#) Discuss and Take Action on Proposed Road Salt Use Press Release

Committee Members discussed the draft road salt use press release. Chair Grant agreed to edit the draft and bring it back to the April meeting for final review and approval.

Discussion included whether it would be better to wait until fall, but it was decided that it would be timely to release it around the same time that the Mayor's office re-releases the City's snow removal policy, later in the spring.

3. [17368](#) 2009 Parks Division Pesticide Report

A motion was made by Hewitt, seconded by Sonzogni, to Accept the report, and suggest to the Park Commission that it be referred to the Board of Public Health for their consideration. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

Public Comment by Maria Powell, 1311 Lakeview Ave, included support for the City's efforts to document pesticide application. She lives next to property owned and maintained by Dane County and said she has been able to find no evidence that Dane County tracks their pesticide application. Bill Sonzogni agreed to bring the issue to the Board of Health for further discussion.

REPORTS

4. [08477](#) REPORT FROM BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Laura's term is done in April. She plans to attend the April COE, which will be her final meeting. She noted that the City is planning to install stormwater treatment devices downtown to capture trash and sediment and there are several proposed projects underway to improve city beaches.

5. [08478](#) REPORT FROM WATER UTILITY BOARD:

It has not yet been determined where or if a new well will be installed within the city.

6. [08479](#) REPORT FROM SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

None

7. [14746](#) REPORT FROM BOARD OF HEALTH FOR MADISON AND DANE COUNTY:

None

8. [13375](#) STAFF REPORT

Commissioner Weide's term ends in April, though he is likely to renew for 2 years.

May is typically the month to have annual election of officers.

George Dreckman, Recycling Coordinator, sent an email that there is a plastic bag drop off container at the Municipal Building now.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Bannerman, seconded by Hewitt, to Adjourn . The motion passed by voice vote/other.