

MINUTES

Solid Waste Policy Committee and
Technical Advisory Council Joint meeting
Wednesday, September 5, 2018

Clark County Combined Health District
529 E. Home Road, Springfield, Ohio

SWPC members present

Charles Patterson
Tim McDaniel
Len Hartoog
David Estrop
Melanie Wilt

TAC members present:

Sandy Henry
Anne Kaup-Fett
Connie Strobbe
Larry Ricketts

Solid Waste District staff present:

Chuck Bauer
Bonnie Martens

Guests:

Jim Skora
David Vince

I. Welcome and Introductions.

II. **Call to order:** Mr. Patterson called the meeting to order at 3:42 p.m. followed by introductions.

III. Approval of minutes:

SWPC 18-6 Approval of July 18, 2018 minutes

D. Estrop motioned to approve July 18, 2018 minutes. T. McDaniel seconded. Motion carried.

IV. Solid Waste District Projects

A. Solid Waste Plan Update

At 3:30 C. Patterson read aloud the Public Hearing Statement provided by GT Environmental according to the Ohio Revised Code. After hearing comments from David Vince, the public meeting was suspended to start the SWPC and TAC meeting. No one else arrived to add comments during the Public Hearing time frame. At 4:02 p.m. the hearing was re-opened to vote on closing the Public Hearing. Before leaving the meeting, Mr. Vince commented on transfer stations, adding more drop-off locations and about the problems with driving a second truck along his routes for recycling. He was worried about one hauler system.

SWPC 18-7 Approval to close the Public Hearing

L. Hartoog motioned to approve the closing of the Public Hearing. D. Estrop seconded. Motion carried.

J. Skora let the board know we are ahead of schedule on updating the Plan. He briefly went over the schedule leading up to turning in the Plan to the Ohio EPA. There will be a 90-day ratification period from September 18 to December 16, 2018 to get at least 75% approval with yes votes from the County Commissioners, the City of Springfield, and yes votes from enough townships and villages to make up the 75%. If a vote is not turned in, it is considered a "no" vote. The Public comment period from Aug. 6th through Sept. 4, 2018 is over and no written comments were turned in. The one public comment questioned whether the Plan was headed toward one hauler. While the plan strives for contracted service with curbside recycling, it does not mention specifically going to a one hauler system and the Plan will not be changed.

SWPC 18-8 Adopt the Plan

D. Estrop motioned to adopt the Updated Plan. L. Hartoog seconded. Motion carried. The resolution was signed by the SWPC members present.

M. Wilt asked about how the other County Commissioners will be informed about the plan. C. Bauer explained a representative from the District will go to the different political entities to explain the plan during the 90-day ratification if requested. J. Skora let the board know that if the Plan is adopted, no more changes can be made. C. Patterson mentioned that the Plan was written in such a way that implementation of a project would not happen in the next five years, but the planning could start during that time. At the January 2019 meeting, the board will certify the ratification results. L. Hartoog asked what the procedure was if we don't get 75% of yes votes. J. Skora explained that the approved Plan has to be given to the Ohio EPA by October 19, 2019 or the OEPA would take over writing the Plan.

J. Skora mentioned that we are on schedule to have the final plan by mid-April 2018.

B. Drop-off Locations update

The South Charleston recycling drop-off will no longer be located at Sunrise Cooperative while a new site is being selected. We were asked to leave Sunrise as they are expanding their business. Talks are currently happening with Yamada, also in South Charleston to re-locate the drop-off site on their property. The Solid Waste District (SWD) did not receive the grant to purchase a new truck for collecting cardboard at drop-off locations. C. Patterson asked if we could apply again next year and were there options for looking at more fuel efficient truck. The SWD is considering having Rumpke service the farther two sites (South Charleston and South Vienna) to pick up cardboard. We have gone from 3 sites to 6 in the last year causing a strain on the one driver from the SWD to service these locations. Even with the additional pick-ups from Rumpke, we should still be able to stay under the \$50,000 contract to avoid having to put a bid out for recycling services. C. Patterson asked how that would affect the revenue if some cardboard collection went to Rumpke. C. Bauer said the cardboard market fluctuates and we will earn less if some goes to Rumpke. Recycling is still more expensive than taking all items to a landfill, but we want cardboard for the PRIDE inmates to bail. A future site may be located in Bethel Township. North Hampton expressed interest in having a drop-off site located in their town. The SWD is looking at ways to decrease contamination at drop-off sites. L. Hartoog asked if there were signs letting people know what is recyclable. Each bin does have a sign on the side. C. Bauer let the board know that Rumpke has added a 5% increase for upcoming contract year which is the first increase in 3 years.

C. District Staff Update

The SWD conducted interviews for S. Schlather's replacement Friday, August 31, 2018. We verbally offered the position to Sam Perin, who has worked in Brown Co. as an Educator for the Solid Waste District in that county as well as in a non-profit recycling center in that same county. C. Bauer gave a brief description of Mr. Perin from his resume and interview. L. Hartoog asked how the position was announced. C. Bauer said through the county website, social media, and professional/educational organizations in Ohio.

V. Other

C. Patterson asked if there were any questions about the plan or calendar. None were brought up.

VI. Adjournment: 4:28 p.m.

*** The 2019 meetings will be January 16, April 17, July 17, October 16.**

Submitted by Bonnie Martens, Program Manager

Charles Patterson, Chair