

SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP
Meeting Minutes
September 13, 2010

The audio file for this committee can be found at: <http://www.cvaa.org/minutes.htm>

1. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTION

The meeting of the AB 939 Solid Waste & Recycling Technical Working Group (TWG) was called to order by Chair Frankie Riddle at 3:04 p.m. on September 13, 2010.

Roll call was taken and it was determined that a quorum was present.

Member Jurisdictions Present

Jim Rodkey
Deanna Pressgrove
Susan Weisbart
Sara Toyoda
Bret Plumlee
Diane Christiansen
Frankie Riddle
Gary Calhoun

Agency

City of Blythe
City of Cathedral City
City of Indian Wells
City of Indio
City of La Quinta
Riverside County Waste Management Dept.
City of Palm Desert
City of Palm Springs

Others Present

Debbie Morris
Anastacia Studer

HF&H
Riverside County Dept. of Environmental Health

CVAG Staff

Katie Barrows
Linda Rogers
Jacob Alvarez

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Frankie led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. FINALIZATION OF AGENDA & ADDITIONS AND REVISIONS

No additions or revisions.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

5. COMMITTEE MEMBER & DIRECTOR

None.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

7. ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR FOR FY 2010/2011

Katie Barrows opened up nominations for Chair. Frankie Riddle was re-nominated and nominations were closed.

It was moved by Susan Weisbart and seconded by Deanna Pressgrove to re-nominate Frankie Riddle as Chair for FY 2010/2011. The motion carried.

Chair Frankie Riddle opened up nominations for Vice Chair. Deanna Pressgrove volunteered to serve as Vice Chair and nominations were closed.

It was moved by Susan Weisbart and seconded by Jim Rodkey to nominate Deanna Pressgrove as Vice Chair for FY 2010/2011. The motion carried.

8. USED OIL PROGRAM UPDATE

Debbie Morris with HF&H addressed the Used Oil Program strategy and budget and discussed the alternatives brought before the Used Oil Subcommittee for the upcoming year. Further discussion ensued.

- CalRecycle has switched from an advance payment of used oil funds to an oil payment reimbursement program.
- Summary of budget cycles and 15th cycle reduction
- Amount for this year is still being determined – haven't absolutely determined new amount yet.
- Discussion of Oil Payment Program:
 - a. CVAG should be getting approximately \$81,000 through oil payment program
 - b. Funds remaining under from 15th cycle \$32,000
 - c. Have about \$113,000 to spend for this year
 - d. Under new program money has to be spent in 24 months (no longer 3 cycles open at the same time)
 - e. Remaining approximately \$13,000
- Used Oil Subcommittee discussion and other alternatives
 - a. regarding the Regional Program and the City of Indio choosing not to participate
 - b. Potential for Palm Desert to participate in the Regional Program
- Additional alternatives
 - a. Encourage the use of re-refined oil which is now available on the market
 - b. Offer coupons to dealers or to lube shops that are certified centers
 - c. Work with Auto Zone, Kragen
 - d. Satisfy requirements with CalRecycle regarding \$5 off for a free filter
 - e. Debbie Morris will determine if some of the suggested alternatives are "doable" under requirements of CalRecycle
 - f. Debbie Morris will discuss what other cities are doing and discuss at the next meeting; i.e., City of Rancho Palos Verdes.
 - g. Debbie will also look into all options for advertising and budget
 - h. A schedule of event dates and locations will be put together by Debbie; discussion of 7 events

9. PRESENTATION ON MANDATORY COMMERCIAL RECYCLING REGULATION UPDATE

Debbie Morris updated the TWG with a presentation on the Mandatory Commercial Recycling Regulation. HF&H was retained by CalRecycle to do a cost analysis to haul, process and market the varying amounts of the commercial recycling to be gathered under the Commercial Recycling Regulation. Debbie Morris covered the following points in her presentation and provided handouts to the committee:

- Background of AB 32, reducing GHG emissions, and 68% of waste disposed by commercial sector
- Regulatory Requirements: businesses and multi-family properties and requirements for local governments
- Thresholds by businesses or multi-family and jurisdictions
- Enforcement by local jurisdictions;
- Education and outreach
- Reporting Requirements: Jurisdictions via AB 939 Annual Reports
- Exemptions; Infrastructure; AB 737
- Next Steps: stakeholder workshop on 9/21/10; web address for more information at: calrecycle.ca.gov/Climate/Recycling

10. COORDINATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF WASTE TIRE RECYCLING EVENT PROGRAM

Jacob Alvarez reported on approved funding through CalRecycle for a Waste Tire Recycling Grant Program. The Program will provide for 11 events throughout the Coachella Valley from October 2010 to May of 2011. Staff thanked Frankie Riddle, Deanna Pressgrove and Mayor Pro Tem Ben Godfrey for participating in the interview selection panel. Consultants under consideration were HF&H and KJServices Environmental Consulting. KJServices was recommended for this program. The term of the contract with KJ Services will be for one year from September 30, 2010 to September 30, 2011.

Discussion ensued regarding the formation of a Waste Tire Subcommittee and for volunteers interested in participating on the subcommittee. Committee members Jim Rodkey, Bret Plumlee, Deanna Pressgrove, Sara Toyoda and Frankie Riddle volunteered to participate on the subcommittee. Staff indicated that a follow-up contact would be made with the City of Coachella asking for their participation since one of the waste tire events would be held in Coachella.

Katie Barrows thanked Chair Frankie Riddle for playing a significant role in helping with the grant application process.

11. GREEN WASTE SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

No report at this time.

12. LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

- Mandatory Commercial Recycling as presented under No. 9.
- Deanna Pressgrove inquired about legislation regarding plastic bags. Jacob Alvarez informed the TWG that the legislation did not pass.

13. CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval

13A Approve Minutes of the May 10, 2010 and July 12, 2010 Solid Waste & Recycling Technical Working Group.

IT WAS MOVED BY BRET PLUMLEE AND SECONDED BY GARY CALHOUN TO APPROVE THE MAY 10TH AND JULY 12 MINUTES. THE MOTION PASSED WITH ABSTENTIONS FROM:

- i) **CITY OF INDIO ABSTAINED ON THE MAY 10TH MINUTES;**
- ii) **THE CITIES OF BLYTHE, CATHEDRAL CITY, INDIO AND PALM DESERT ABSTAINED ON THE JULY 12TH MINUTES.**

14. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The next meeting date of the Solid Waste & Recycling Technical Working Group will be November 8, 2010.
- Diane Christiansen indicated that on Sept. 25th the DEA and County of Riverside will be doing a state wide pharmaceutical collection program. There will be localized collection spots sponsored by law enforcement agencies. Diane Christiansen will e-mail the committee with the collection locations.

15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Rogers

Program Assistant II