

## Chisago County Solid Waste Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes: June 11, 2015

Members Attending: Mike Robinson, Janelle Troupe, Lisa Thibodeau, Rick Prah, Ralph Carlson, Dave Hoefler, Terry Flor, Peder Sandhei, (MPCA), Kristy Dreckman, Daryl Hoekstra, (Mille Lacs County), Dale Bergfalk, Dave Wiggins, Kelly Schroeder.

- I. Lisa Thibodeau called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.
- II. Minutes from the previous meeting held on 12/12/14 were handed out.
- III. Unfinished Business:
  - a. None

IV. New Business:

- a. MPCA: Peder Sandhei – Update on State Hauler Reporting Requirements

In 2009 a statute was passed by the Solid Waste Management Coordinating Board, (SWMCB), for the burden of reporting (?) numbers to be lessened for counties. Peder provided copies of the language of the statute amendment. In the past, MPCA has gathered its reporting information from facilities, but realized there was quite a bit of error between total amounts collected by facilities and what the counties were reporting. Counties need to standardize the information required by haulers, and haulers need to be able to report the same information at both the state and county level. With the ReTrac System, haulers can report their numbers at the state level and the pertinent information will be passed along to counties.

Requirement: businesses collecting municipal solid waste, (MSW), and/or recyclable materials, (both curbside and other), will need to report to the state. By July 1, 2016, MPCA will have a uniform reporting system developed for this purpose, both a short and long format. The short form is in place now. Short form minimum requirements are: County of origin, destination facility, commercial/residential mix, MSW tons, organics tons, and recycling tons collected over the course of the calendar year. Source-separated organic and yard waste will also need to be reported. Recycling does not need to be broken down by streams. It is not likely that Chisago County will require the numbers to be broken down by city, but they will have to be broken down by commercial/residential streams. Peder will provide numbers based on a 4-person household for use in breakdown – he believes it to be just over 2000 lbs/year but will verify this. He will also provide a list of currently permitted facilities within the county. (A Permit-By-Rule is needed if you collect/sort items.) ReTrac training will be provided and a tutorial will be available. This reporting requirement begins the first of next year, (2016), for 2015 data, and will be reported by calendar year. MPCA will be flexible with first year of reporting. Peder will send the short form out so the haulers can see what will be required. Meetings will take place for those interested in participating in the development of the long form.

- b. ECSWC: Janelle Troupe, Director – Update

July 1 of this year, rates at landfill will go up 1.4% to \$57.57.

Regarding Sharps – it is illegal for a hauler to transport hazardous medical waste from a business. Only residential sharps are allowed.

Expansion of the next phase is being completed at the landfill, potentially opening that phase in August. The landfill permit is good for 10 years, but they will run out of certificate of need by next year. A land application of hog waste/food waste resulted in a large fly problem in Isanti County. They are not sure what entity is responsible for the situation.

- c. County Update: 2016 License Insurance Requirements – the state auditor is asking for more information from haulers. A form was handed out and will need to be submitted with permit applications.
- d. Other: The E-waste program year ends on June 30, 2015. The environment bill has not yet been passed, and the state environmental agencies will run out of funding on June 30<sup>th</sup> if a bill has not passed by then. A special session is not scheduled yet.

5R, (an E-Waste recycler in Wisconsin), is no longer in business.

V. Next Meeting Date: December 10, 2015, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m., Chisago County Household Hazardous Waste Facility

VI. Adjourned at 2:53 p.m.