

**Louisville/Jefferson County Waste Management District**  
**109 Board Meeting Minutes – December 18, 2017**

**Location: 600 Meriwether Avenue, Louisville, KY 40217**

Acting Chairperson Mary Rose Evans called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. Members in attendance: Debbie Thompson, Venu Vanaparthi and Rudy Davidson. Chairman Bob Schindler arrived at 5:45 p.m. and proceeded chairing the meeting. Bob Lee arrived at 6 p.m.

**Approval of November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017 meeting minutes:** Motion was made by Venu Vanaparthi, seconded by Debbie Thompson. Motion carried.

**Staff Report - Pete Flood reviewed:**

Highlights (*included in packet*) are listed below:

- 1) **Budget Report:** Year to date and month of November LeAP Activity Report from Budget office for all of waste district included in packet. Details current balances and past month expenses. Receipts are ahead of schedule and expenses are right on track for the first half of the year. Motion was made by Debbie Thompson, seconded by Venu Vanaparthi to accept budget as presented. Motion carried.
- 2) **Enforcement:** update on 2931 Garland Avenue. Property is two lots about 5 acres total. Organic waste has been dumped over the last few years. Several fires have taken place at the location from the tree debris. Property Owner has been under citation since 2015 for operating an unlicensed offsite waste facility which is at \$350 per day, and currently looking at options to gain compliance on the property. Cameras were placed on the property to find out who was illegally dumping. One individual was caught, vehicle impounded and issued a citation for \$3,500. Property has now been secured. Owner states he has no interest in the property and will consider transferring the deed over to the city. Illegal Open Dump Grant has been requested to assist in the clean-up costs and it would take place in three phases. First phase is estimated at \$411,000. Total of 3 year project.
- 3) **Education:** update on the following education activities currently working on.
  - (a) **Website Launch:** It is now up and running. Some parts still need to be added. Basics are on there now such as meeting schedule, approved minutes, board members names/pictures, info about the five year plan, license requirements/info, etc.
  - (b) **Food Packaging Institute (FPI) Agreement:** 2 year agreement that is similar to a grant that will increase awareness and understanding for recycling items such as pizza boxes, leftovers from restaurants, frozen foods, etc. It gave us the ability to do a digital advertisement campaign and press conference. Working with Harold Adams, Public Works Communications, on the comments coming into the website about the program and recycling web page. Page view has increased 125%.
- 4) **Recycling Centers/Special Events:**
  - (a) **Whipps Mill Road:** This location isn't getting enough traffic due to being only six miles

away from the Hubbards lane location, therefore it will be transitioned from a staffed center to an unstaffed center. The current staff for the center will be reassigned, to Hazbin when it goes to five days per week. .

**(b) Household Hazardous Materials Drop Off:** Metro Call has gotten numerous complaints about the center not being open more days and the location is bad for some. The current center is only open 2 days a week. The plan is to relocate it to a more accessible location but we can't do this yet. . The current contractor (Veolia) will continue packaging and hauling but role will diminish over time. Whipps Mill current staff will be trained and utilized to run the Household Hazardous Materials center 5 days a week.

### Action Items

- 1. Consideration/Vote on proposed 2018-2022 Five Year Solid Waste Management Plan:** Two written comments came in for the public hearing. These comments are included in the packet. First comment stated they thought methane capture was a good idea. Question raised on who actually is capturing that right now. Response: Waste Management of KY is the only place it is captured and they are currently in the process of installing all the equipment. That gas will in affect fuel 21,000 homes per year. Chairman Schindler asked Pete Flood to arrange a presentation for the board members as soon as it's in full operation. Second comment stated there needed to be more emphasis on recycling of office paper. Everything now is single stream. Included in the plan, Section A; 12b, was a plan to get back to recycling office paper separately. Motion was made to accept the plan, as amended, by Rudy Davidson and seconded by Mary Rose Evans. The motion carried. Motion was made by Debbie Thompson and seconded by Venu Vanaparthly to formally adopt the resolution adopting the plan. The motion carried and resolution signed by the chair. Officially adopted.
- 2. Approval for purchase of surveillance cameras:** Request to order ten (10) real and (10) dummy cameras for illegal dumping activity. Cost is \$16,000. These are the same kind we already have. They take pictures on real time and can see image within minutes once a motion is in front of them. They are very effective in catching illegal dumpers. Director Vanessa Burns noted the dumping problem is all over Jefferson County, not just the USD. Motion requested to approve \$18,000 in case any thing goes up. Motion made by Bob Lee. Seconded by Venu Vanaparthly. Motion carried.
- 3. Approval to support Cleanliness Pilot Program in Shelby Park/Smoketown Neighborhood:** Cleanliness scores aren't good for this area. Scoring done on a street level by the team and it was coordinated with their neighborhood association. Area consists of roughly 5,000 houses. Educational assistance to residents to help understand how they can prevent the littering. New 30 to 40 gallon litter baskets will be purchased for the area as well. Along with the additional cans, once a week pickups will be tried out to see if it cuts down on the litter instead of the three times per year. The request is for an amount up to \$48,000. There will not be any cost to the district for continuing operational expenses.  
Bob Lee of Eco Tech currently picks up the bulky items one item per week or 1 per month, contract dependent. The curbside crews pick it up on their regular route, as they are picking up trash, in the same truck. He is asking for more clarification on the total costs if you are making it a separate route, and using another truck and another crew, how are there no more

costs than the \$48,000 involved because that will be costly. Chairman Schindler clarified in this pilot area, instead of the 3 times per year scenario; they are getting pickup once a week so it is just aligned different. Redistribute the times picked up is still using the same cost as currently that area for the 3 times per year. Pete Flood noted by doing this pilot, it could show costs would decrease from current pickup. All costs would be tracked.

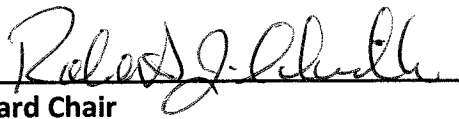
Rudy Davidson agreed with Pete Flood on when you increase the number of pickups, you are increasing the generation of waste, even bulk waste. The pilot needs to get started but discussion and vote will be tabled until next meeting so further information can be provided to the board members.


**Next Regular Scheduled Meeting** (*second Tuesday of every other month*): **January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018, 5:30 p.m.**

\*Pete Flood included the draft By-Laws for discussion but there wasn't enough time to review so he asked the board members to review them for approval at next month's meeting.

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:30 p.m.**

**Minutes approved by Board**

  
Board Chair

  
Date