

Louisville/Jefferson County Waste Management District

Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

May 16, 2018

Louisville Metro Solid Waste Management-Large Conference Room
600 Meriwether Avenue

Welcome and call to order

Meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Bruce Burrow. Committee members in attendance were Bryan Slade, Darrell Shelton, Greg Zahradnik, Kedrick Stanfield, Kim Martinez, Marie Burnett, Matt Smith, Pat Stallard, Sandra Leonard, Sarah Lynn Cunningham and Tim Darst. Staff in attendance were Keith Hackett, Karen Maynard, Robert Lush and Amy Axsom.

March 21st, 2018 meeting minutes were accepted by acclamation.

109 Board Meeting: Report emphasis placed on ban of imported recycling. Board looking for input from private sector. Ralph Avenue Beneficial Reuse facility permits were discussed.

New Business

1. **State Recycling Industry Discussion:** WestRock representative Kim Martinez gave input on the issue including how it may be a couple of years before an improvement will be seen, and how do we handle that locally. Reducing, Reusing and Recycling needs to be pushed. She also let the committee know that QRS had been bought by WestRock Recycling. They plan to merge their local offices into one at the location on Industrial Boulevard. QRS will still have their St. Louis office. The domestic mills are being affected due to not being able to ship to China so they are being overrun with material. Brian Slade had material for the members. Marie Burnett will see if she can get someone from Waste Management to come in to discuss the challenges of the recycling market, with the committee. Discussion took place regarding research to be done by the committee on this industry issue. Consensus was to check in to getting an intern to do the research.
2. **Discussion on how to present findings to board:** Committee members asked Chairman Burrow to find out from the board what the priorities of the committee are.

Public Input (items not on agenda):

1. Jack Will, JC League of Cities, suggested contacting GLI on using an intern, since they are already using one.
2. Greg Zahradnik asked what the value of going to single stream was. Response was the capitol costs from an operation standpoint is what was considered when converting to single stream.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 5:33 p.m.