



# *Meeting Agenda*

**Thursday, March 27, 2008**

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Tour of  
North Hydro Park  
2599 Bridge Road, Ypsilanti  
5:00 pm

\*Note: Please park at the Hydro Park Entrance.\*

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WCCSWM Meeting  
North Hydro Park  
2599 Bridge Road, Ypsilanti  
5:30 pm

1. Call to Order and Introductions
  2. Approve Agenda for March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2008
  3. Approve Minutes from February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2008
  4. Green Info Guide (GIG) Update
  5. Legislative Updates
  6. Task force Updates
  7. Local Community Updates
  8. Adjourn
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## **WCCSM Meeting Summary**

Leopold Bros. Brewery  
569 S. Industrial, Ann Arbor  
Feb. 28, 2008, 5:30 -7:00 p.m.

### **Present:**

Carly Willis, Chris Simmons, Dan Moody, Sarah Archer, Michael-David BenDor, Pierce Gonyon, George Danneffel, Nancy Stone, Kendra Pyle, Alyson Richardson

### **1. Call to Order and Introductions**

### **2. Approved Agenda for Feb. 28, 2008**

- a. Approved as printed

### **3. Approve Agenda for Jan. 24, 2008**

- a. Approved – minor spelling error

### **4. Green Info Guide (GIG) update - Dan**

- a. 2000 GIGs ordered
- b. CDs version 2 but no date on it
- c. New tabs: Lake Management and Think Local, Act local
- d. City links updated
- e. will also be online -- County recycle page
- f. PR in paper
- g. Pierre: Can hits be counted? – Dan will look into this

### **5. Legislative Updates**

- a. From Feb. 22, 2008 – can keep up with them online
- b. Nancy: ideas about TV recycling
- c. Sarah: There was a community DEQ talk on banning CRT in landfills ~4 yrs. Ago, Counties put forward charge to state, DEQ had a report, Mike Garfield worked on it; Chris—work on in task force, CRT's have a lot of lead
- d. Dan: Free testing toys for lead event on March 8, Reps. Smith and Warren will be there, with Eco Center
- e. Nancy: Eco Center got a grant for a handheld diagnostic that checks for toxins, City sent over water to test
- f. Pierre: Direct measure instruments? Other organizations interested?
- g. Nancy suggested bringing someone in for demo to WCCSM meeting
- h. Chris: maybe can plug speaker in

### **6. Task Force Updates: E-waste**

- a. Chris is drafting an op-ed with Jeff
- b. A2 News has done a good job
- c. about 15-17% of people will be affected by digital switch if they use rabbit ears
- d. Michael: Need to send a clear message to public about right thing to with e-waste, why people should pay to recycle
- e. Dan: 3 county clean-up collections for this year, which includes e-waste

- f. Nancy: Prompted by TV zombies event in Feb to put info on website, put in spring newsletter, set up task meeting—sooner rather than later
- g. E-waste task force meeting, Wed. March 12, 8 a.m. Zeeb Rd. Big Boy
- h. Chris will call Mike Garfield, at least email group on it

## **7. Task Force: Medical Waste**

- a. Dan: County applied for a grant from the EPA/Great Lakes for \$30,000 seed money for pharmaceuticals take back program; county working with about 7-11 existing pharmacies thru. sharps program
- b. Dan: County will probably go through the money in about 3 months—seeking alternative funding, corporate sponsorship; don't know how much collect/month; April 22 kick-off
- c. Dan: RFP for blue three different sizes containers sent with grant
- d. Pierre: outpatient pharmacy managers interested in competitive advantage; benefit for consumers to take medicine back to where they bought it from; St. Joes might setup their own program
- e. Dan: email letters of support from retirement homes, hospitals, and pharmacies that want it
- f. Nancy: disposal of pharmaceutical waste, workshop on it \$75
- g. Carly: do pharmacies take medicines back now? She has been telling people to take medicines back to the pharmacies when they call
- h. Pierre: No, customers drive demand for pharmacies to take back
- i. Dan: will accept some at Zeeb Rd. location along with household hazardous waste—puts in incinerator, needs a very high temperature

## **8. Local Community Updates**

- a. Chris: Saturday March 8, Behind the drywall green building tour through RAA remodel; Meadowlark Builders renovate or build new houses that use 10% of current energy use
- b. Alison: U of M in 5<sup>th</sup> week of Recycle Mania; 400 schools participating, 10-week program, by % U of M is 26<sup>th</sup>, by total #'s is 4<sup>th</sup>
- c. Dan: May 7<sup>th</sup> county clean-up collection in Saline, May 3 in Chelsea, 3<sup>rd</sup> collection TBA
- d. Nancy explained green school legislation; bill to recognize green schools passed in 2006 but with no State infrastructure; set-up is up to counties; Washtenaw would like to roll green schools into the Waste Knot program; County has staff to reaccreditation each year
- e. Bids for 3-yr. contract on Zeeb Rd. for HHW program
- f. April 24 – Waste Knot ceremony at Webbers; county is going through inventory for updating files
  - i. Nancy: WCCSM has previously provided \$1000 funding for it
  - ii. Dan: Jeff is soliciting money and hopes not to have to ask WCCSM for it
- g. Chris: Pierre/Dan, try to schedule someone for talk on pharmaceutical waste next month?
- h. Chris: tour Ypsi dam next month, possible to include a guest about pharmaceutical waste; someone from Eco-Center to show diagnosis
- i. Nancy: rain garden tour in July at Gallup Park, next to meeting place
- j. Pierre: Glenn not coming to hear the talk on pharmaceutical waste, but get him on board
- k. Dan will try to get someone to demo the toy testing toxics “gun” for next meeting

- l. Pierre: state of WCCSWM's budget?; \$75 for newsletter?--they go out in May
- m. Treasurer's report on web—Chris
- n. Biggest expense has been Waste Knot ceremony—Chris
- o. Chris: Talk about pharmaceutical waste seed money

**9. Next meeting: Thursday, March 27, 5 p.m. for tour**

- a. Email Chris for details
- b. Carly—not a lot of parking

**10. Adjourned**

# WCCSWM Meeting Minutes

January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2008

Meeting Location: Washtenaw County Library Learning Resource Center (LLRC)

In Attendance:

Alison	Richardson
Carly	Willis
Chris	Simmons
Dan	Moody
George	Danneffel
Jeff	Krcmarik
Michael-David	BenDor
Nancy	Stone
Noelle	Bowman
Pierce	Gonyon
Tracy	Artley

Guest Speaker: Carrie Sheldon

Topic: Jail Energy Remodeling – Wood burning furnace

- Passes out “Legislative Update” handout to the group
- General overview: Idea to install wood-burning furnace did not pass
- Michael-David: Recommends WCCSWM to put together report on this. Various types of home heating options. On GIG? On County site?

## 1. Call to Order and Introductions (5:20).

## 2. Approve Agenda for January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2008

- Chris: Scratch Item #6 from Agenda.
- Will interrupt when Carrie arrives. Will do introductions when she arrives.

## 3. Approve Minutes from December 6th, 2007

- Approved as Printed.

#### 4. Green Info Guide Update

- Dan: GIG is Complete!! Spoke with Deb Power today. Will have a final draft this Friday. Hoping to order 2000 at \$.87/disk.
- Jeff: Will have press release announcing GIG arrival. Also, will distribute to libraries within Washtenaw County – Milan, Saline, Ypsi, Manchester, etc...
- Dan: Current version of GIG will be posted on website.
- Michael-David: check with Google to see if they are interested in partnership re. GIG.

#### 5. 2008 Meeting Location Determination

Below is the first version of the 2008 WCCSWM calendar. There will likely be updates to this.

<b>Month</b>	<b>Location</b>
January	LLRC
February	Leopold Bros.
March	Ypsilanti - working generator
April	Waste Knot Ceremony @ Webers Inn
May	CTN Cable Station
June	ReCellular
July	Gallup Park
August	Saline City
September	Arbor Hills Landfill Education Center
October	Ann Arbor Skyline High School
November	ARD - Corner Brewery?
December	Zeeb Road

- Other Ideas Mentioned: Community Garden, Saline; A3C; New Dexter Village; New WWRA Expansion
- Nancy recommends a speaker to come talk about fluorescent bulb disposal/recycling – “Environmental Recycling Company”

## ~~6. ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER~~

### 7. Legislative Updates

- Dan: Passes out MRC handout; Emphasizes Senate Bill 513
- Chris: Reminds everyone that these are always found online

### 8. Task force Updates

- Pharmaceutical Waste
  - i. Jeff: \$25000 Grant opportunity. Asking for letters of support proving support for program. Will send out letter to people asking for their support. Lots of ideas, but need money first. Looking for a sustainable funding source, and \$25K will provide funding for the year, but need to find funding for future as well. Hopefully we get enough + feedback that we will be able to get sponsorship. Due Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>, awarded notice April 17<sup>th</sup>.
  - ii. Dan: DEQ, SeaGrant will be hosting/having workshop April 2<sup>nd</sup>, Cleary Community College. Will be on the topic of Pharmaceutical take-back/disposal. Passes out flier. Jeff will be presenting there, telling about Sharps take-back program.
- E-waste
  - i.. Chris: Met in early January. Good taskforce brainstorming session. Reads news: Quote “....” Chris → “May not tax our resources the way we feared it would.”

- ii. Chris: Task force to meet again? When? – May meeting, and July meeting both relating to e-waste. Jeff to will get back to people regarding meeting time. Wednesday morning time works best for everyone.
- iii. Michael David: What to do with smaller items other than TVs? Tape players, CDs, etc...
- iv. Jeff: Objective is to educate people on change. Get information straight to the public!
- v. Dan: January 08 Nat Geographic on e-waste
- vi. Nancy: CTN. Where to look to see what type of TV you have. Especially helpful for older people.
- vii. Jeff: Grant for educating on Analog → Digital. Grant to start campaign on this.
- viii. Carly: Asks Jeff to send description for her to send out in newsletter. Will reach 15,000 people.

## 9. Local Community Updates

- Jeff: met with Dave Retell. Pledges \$2500 to sponsor waste knot event. Would like to NOT tap into WCCSWM funds this year.
- Jeff: Green School Program. Idea to make “GSP” members WasteKnot members as well.
- Nancy: focus group to look at where we go with recycling. Community without borders. Haulers, custodians to have waste-knot “training” “standards.” Recognize “Champions within the business.”
- Chris: Bill Bolen Resigned. Signed a 5-yr contract to manage River Walk area in Detroit City. Unsure if the job will be replaced internally.
- Dan: AER (Advanced Electronics Recycling) –Dan passes out flier. Small recycling company. Many regulatory problems currently.

- Nancy: Option of screened images on Recycling Carts. Would provide good recycling info visually. Showed Rough image to group.
- Nancy: DDA Grant to pilot big recycling containers in Main St area. Type that have different slots for papers, containers, trash. Will display art on them. City of Ann Arbor would collect.
- Carly: Holiday Inn (on 23, Plymouth Road) will officially start recycling in February! Waste Management as hauler.

**10. Adjourn (7:15 PM)**