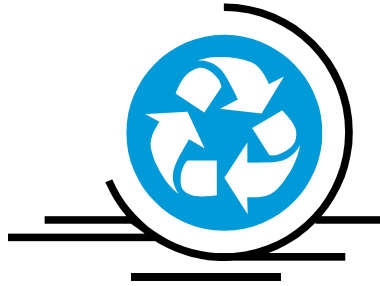


Washtenaw County Consortium for Solid Waste Management



Meeting Agenda Thursday, July 28, 2005

Tour of the Mallett's Creek Library at 4:30 p.m.
3090 East Eisenhower Parkway, Ann Arbor

Meeting begins at 5:30 p.m.
Meeting Room B

-Map following agenda-

Due to site restrictions there will be no refreshments served, other than bottled water



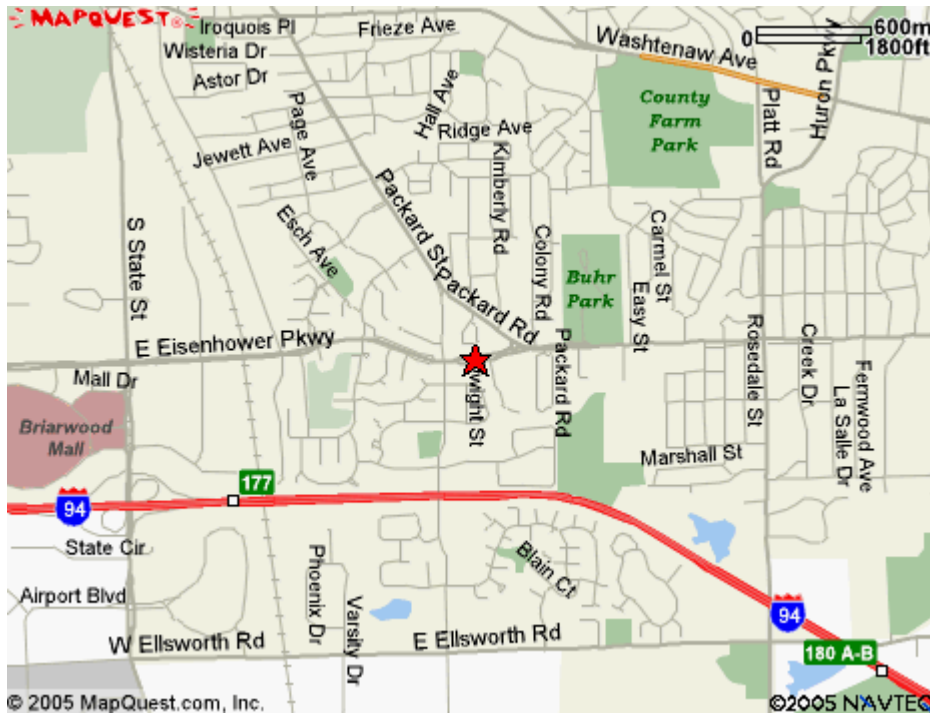
1. Call to Order and Introductions
2. Approval of Agenda for July 28th
3. Approval of Minutes from June 23rd
4. Best Practices Update
5. State/Legislative Updates
6. Local Community Updates
7. Adjourn



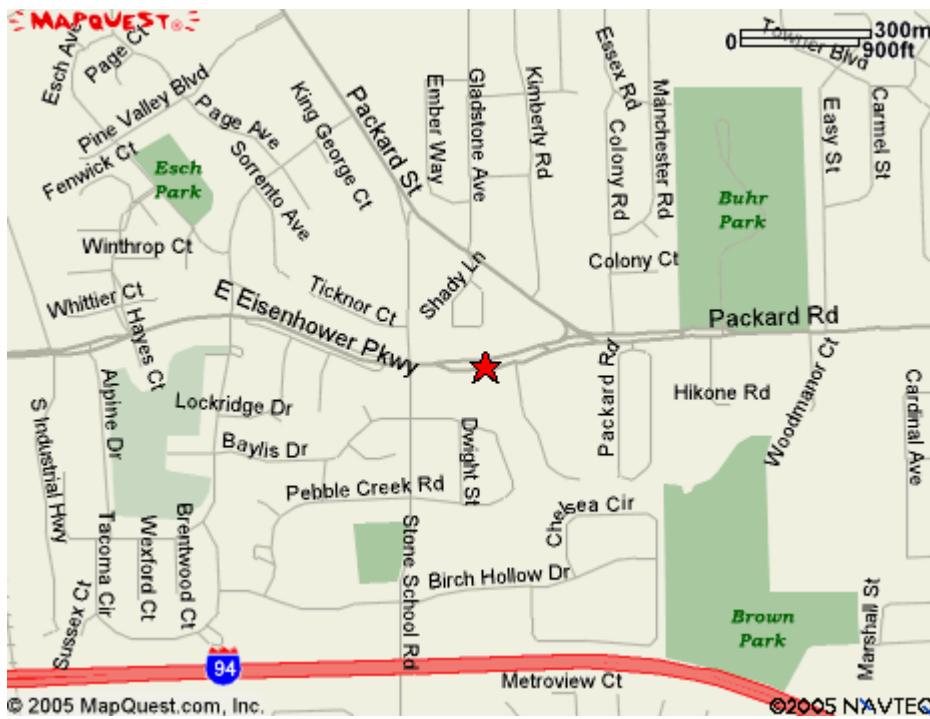
Township Representatives- If you are unable to join us, please designate a representative to attend in your place. Thank you!

Map to Mallett's Creek Library at 3090 East Eisenhower Parkway, Ann Arbor.

Zoomed Out:



Zoomed In:



From Ypsilanti

Take I-94 to Ann Arbor
Get off at the State St. exit- #177
Turn Rt. onto State St.
Turn Rt. onto E. Eisenhower Pkwy – go about 1 mile.
End at 3090 East Eisenhower Pkwy

From West of Ann Arbor:

Take I-94 E to Ann Arbor
Get off at the State St. exit-#177
Turn Left onto S. State St.
Turn Rt. onto East Eisenhower Pkwy – go about 1 mile.
End at 3090 East Eisenhower Pkwy.

From Saline

Go NE on W. Michigan Ave.
Turn left onto State Rd.
Turn Rt. onto East Eisenhower Pkwy – go about 1 mile.
End at 3090 East Eisenhower Pkwy.

From Milan

Take US-23 N to Ann Arbor
Merge onto I-94 W via exit 35 to Chicago
Take the State St exit- #177
Turn Rt. onto S. State St.
Turn Rt. onto East Eisenhower Pkwy – go about 1 mile.
End at 3090 East Eisenhower Pkwy.

WCCSWM Meeting Minutes

June 23, 2005- Dana Building, U of M

Members Present

Tracy Artley	U of M
Michael-David Bendor	Superior Twp
George Danneffel	City of Saline
	St. Joe's
Pierre Gonyon	Hospital
Jeff Krcmarik	Washtenaw Co.
Corinne Sikorski	Sylvan Twp
Chris Simmons	City of Ypsilanti
Richard Stefani	Manchester Twp
Nancy Stone	City of Ann Arbor

Others

Darcy Dinse	Washtenaw Co.
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1. Call to Order

Simmons called meeting to order at 5:25 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda for June 23.

Simmons asked to add discussion about the Solid Waste Surcharge after approval of May 26th minutes. Agenda approved as corrected.

3. Approval of Minutes from May 26.

The consortium discussed the July meeting and decided on a one-hour tour of Mallet's Creek Library as opposed to a $\frac{1}{2}$ hour. Also, the date for the meeting is July 28th, not July 29th as written. Minutes approved as corrected.

4. Solid Waste Surcharge

Simmons updated the consortium on how the Solid Waste Disposal Surcharge legislation is not moving through the legislature. He has contacted Mike Garfield and the League of Conservation voters and they are in the very preliminary stages of trying to get it onto the 2006 ballot as a proposal. The question is if the Consortium is behind supporting a ballot proposal concerning the solid waste disposal surcharge. Simmons would like approval from the consortium to represent himself as the Consortium Chair when he is talking with the League of Conservation Voters, Michigan Environmental Council and the Ecology Center. The Consortium's role in this legislation is not yet defined, Simmons is simply talking with different groups about the feasibility of getting the issue on the ballot as a proposal. Bendor would like to call the legislation something other than a surcharge, such as Defense of MI. Gonyon would like to see the most recent draft of the legislation from May of 2005. This draft is included at the end of these minutes. Sikorski added that she would need to know how much money was being talked about for the surcharge before she could bring the proposal back to her municipality. And also she would like to see language added that encourages recycling. Stone added that if there is a state-wide surcharge, landfill host

communities would lose landfill fees, for example Onyx would no longer be giving Salem the same amount of money. It was noted that the surcharge issue was controversial at the Michigan Recycling Conference because it raises trash costs for cities and businesses in-state. The idea though, is that money is put back into state communities through recycling efforts. This issue will continue to be discussed under the State/Legislative Agenda topic in future meetings.

5. Local Community Updates

- Washtenaw County: Krcmarik explained that the County did not receive the \$24,000 grant for chemistry chemical recovery. No municipalities received the grants, only schools. There were approximately 12 grants awarded.
- Krcmarik also went to Dudley Spade's program under the Dome. Pam Burns has a $\frac{1}{2}$ hour T.V. talk show. Jeff discussed regional household hazardous waste, especially between Lenawee and Washtenaw Counties.
- He also gave a presentation at the Midwest Regional Recyclers Convention in Chicago. It was interesting to note that Minneapolis pays \$30 a ton for garbage disposal.
- City of Ann Arbor: Stone mentioned that Ann Arbor Cable TV will allow all county residents to use studios and tape shows for a fee, starting July 1. You need to attend specific workshops to be allowed to use facilities, and the workshops cover a variety of topics, such as producing shows and using sound equipment.
- The idea was discussed of having a future WCCSWM meeting at the Ann Arbor Cable TV studios.
- St. Joe's : Gonyon announced that the new Material Recovery Bldg is open. There are 3600 sq.ft. of area to manage solid waste. The robotic devices are running and in January the system is scheduled to be completely finished, but in Sept. for the meeting we will still be able to view how the system works.
- Gonyon has been working with Trinity Intl., taking three trips to Chile. He administered reports and included comprehensive environmental impact proponents. The reports have received good reviews and they could be used as a blueprint for the Minister of Health and the Chilean Health System.
- Ypsilanti Co-op: Sikorski invited the consortium to the Ypsilanti Co-op to view the new solar panels in October. The meeting was tentatively scheduled for the Milan Prison, so Dinse will contact Mike Ogozaly to see about rescheduling.
- Clean-up Days: The status report on the summer Clean-up Days was requested, but is not yet available. The county will send out that information as soon as it is received.

6. Adjourn

- Simmons adjourned the meeting at 6:20pm.

Future Meeting Updates

July 28th	Malletts Creek Library (3090 East Eisenhower Prky, Ann Arbor) 4:30pm tour, 5:30pm meeting
August 25	Ford Lake Park- educational component is in the works, possibly an environmental economic development speaker will be present.
Sept 22	St. Joe's Hospital-tour new Waste Mngmnt facility. Executive Committee meeting to follow WCCSWM meeting.
Oct 27	Ypsilanti Food Co-op-view new solar panels, meeting to follow.

WCCSWM Executive Committee Minutes

June 23, 2005- Dana Building, U of M

Executive Committee Members Present

Tracy Artley	U of M
Michael-David Bendor	Superior Twp
Pierre Gonyon	St. Joe's
Jeff Krcmarik	Washtenaw County
Chris Simmons	City of Ypsilanti

Others Present

Darcy Dinse	Washtenaw County
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1. Simmons Called Meeting to Order at 6:30 pm.
2. **Best Practices Document-** WCCSWM Mini-CD Initiative Outline follows these minutes.
 - Debra Power at Moore Power Marketing is making a proposal on creating a CD the size and shape of a business card that the Best Practices would be contained on. The first Best Practices Document to be made would be for residential use. Although there are many features that could be included, the low-hanging fruit would be of top priority. These items would include: composting, waste reduction, recycling and compiling the Trash to Treasures guide.
 - The second Best Practices Document, made after the first was completed, would include larger, regional issues such as sustainability, energy efficiency, green building, and comprehensive planning.
 - The group will also complete a Best Practices CD for businesses looking at 6 step guides addressing auto maintenance, retail, restaurants, etc.
 - The Best Practices Document will be included in future meeting agendas
3. **Waste Knot Partner Benefits**
 - As a perk of being a Waste Knot partner, could WCCSWM proactively try to match grants with different businesses? We could make partners aware of grant funding that is available. Could we work on this with another department, such as Economic Development Council? Bendor suggested hiring an intern to research money available. WCCSWM would provide a leadership focus on monies available.
 - Bendor suggested trying to help local businesses get started who are interested in waste reduction and reuse economies by finding grant funding opportunities.
4. **Educational Component of Meetings and Year-end Report**
 - Ideas for WCCSWM meeting speakers include Susan Pollay and someone to discuss grant funding
 - It was suggested that the Executive Committee draft a year-end report annually on WCCSWM's achievements and provide it to members and potential members.
5. The Next Executive Committee Meeting will be held after Sept. 22's meeting at St. Joe's Hospital.
6. Simmons Adjourned Meeting at 7:45.

WCCSWM MINI-CD INITIATIVE

Purpose- Provide an easier source of information by using mini-CDs for those without high speed internet access. CD's include the ability to reproduce documents for distribution or use. The information on the CD will be created in html format making it user-friendly. The CD may also be distributed at public events if feasible.

Initial - Provide assistance for local units of government and homeowners regarding waste reduction, recycling, and environmental protection practices for homeowners.

Includes- Printable documents for distribution, composting, 3 t's guide, hhw, burning ordinances, community profiles, illegal dumping, drop off station, WWRA, radon, West Nile Virus, Drain Commissioner's homeowners BMP's for surface water protection, Waste Knot information, list of service providers for solid waste, hauling, neighborhood senior services, BMP's for medications, and infected trees (ash borer).

Topics for future mini-cds include- Sustainable development, procurement policies, funding options, energy efficiency, planning, business best practices.

Solid Waste Legislative Update - Complete text of bills can be viewed at <http://www.legislature.mi.gov>

House Bill No. 4759

May 10, 2005

House Bill No. 4759 sets up a Recycling Market Development Fund within the State Treasury. Monies in the fund come from assets from any source for deposit into the development fund. It appears to be the legislation addressing money flow from revenue generated from surcharges. Monies are to be distributed to communities that have recycling programs in place as of September 30, 2005. The legislation also sets up a reporting requirement for the recipient counties. After the balance in the fund exceeds 53,000,000 monies will be distributed down to the counties to offset the cost of the reporting requirement, municipalities on a per capita basis (those with recycling programs), \$2,000,000 to the State Recycling Dept which would be created to provide technical assistance, fund full-time positions, distributed in grants to expand market development.

Every community that develops their own solid waste mgt. plan would receive some monies. There are no monies, which I can tell in the language, for communities without recycling programs to start programs. The definition of recycling program does include the presence of a contractor that provides recycling services. There are also nuances regarding the population densities and drop-off locations, types of materials accepted etc.

Senate Bill No. 256

February, 24, 2005

Senate Bill No. 256 states that starting Jan. 1, 2006, a recycling and waste diversion surcharge of \$6.00 will be assessed on each ton of solid waste that is disposed of in a landfill or municipal solid waste incinerator. Not less than 40% of the money generated shall be distributed on a per

capita basis to cities, villages, and townships for recycling and other environmental protection or natural resource conservation programs. Not less than 40% of the money shall be distributed to cities, villages, and twps on a per capita basis for any purpose determined by the respective municipalities to promote the public health, safety, or welfare of its citizens. Not less than 10 % of the money shall be distributed on a per capita basis to cities, villages and twps that conduct recycling programs , for use in expanding or enhancing those programs. There are rules for what constitutes a recycling program. Not less than 5% of the money shall be distributed to counties for use in the preparation of updates and amendments to county solid waste management plans. Not more than 5% of the money shall be used by the department for the administration of , and the conduct of inspections.

June 30, 2005

Senate Bill 676: Establish a recycling advisory council. Bill outlines representatives from different areas to be apart of the council. Council will study and make recommendations to the legislature on the effectiveness of the state's current recycling program and what opportunities exist to improve recycling in the state, the current amount of public and private funding for recycling by local government and nonprofit organizations and the relationship of the current funding levels to the efficiency and effectiveness of the recycling program, and other important tasks.

Senate Bill 677: Establish office for statewide recycling coordinator in the DEQ Dept.. The coordinator will be appointed by the DEQ Director. Recycling coordinator will work with the recycling advisory council to establish method for regular review of local recycling programs, gather information about recycling processes, markets, rates, submit recommendations and perform other duties.

Senate Bill 678: Provide for recycling education programs. The community pollution prevention fund is created within the state treasury and the DEQ will expend \$1,000,000 from the fund to develop and implement a program for statewide education of citizens regarding recycling of waste material, and to fund the Recycling Advisory Council.

Senate Bill 679: Provide funding for recycling programs. Beginning the 2005 tax year, an individual may designate on his or her annual return that a contribution of \$2.00 or more of the refund be credited to the Recycling Works Fund in the DEQ.

Senate Bill 680: Create the “recycling works” fund in the State Treasury.

Senate Bill 681: A Driver Education course will provide information regarding the importance of recycling and opportunities to support statewide recycling efforts. The standards for the program will be made by the recycling coordinator and recycling advisory council.