

Present: Janet O'Connor, Rik Fredrickson, Larry Edralin, Scott Wilson, Jason Dose, Sheena Kaas, Mike Drumright, Sunny Richwald, Frank Willman, Ty Batchelor

Minutes from October approved

Updates: The *Squaxin Tribe* has hired a Solid Waste and Recycling Manager, Sheena Kaas. She will be officially joining the Committee in January. *Ecology* recommended a presentation on Product Stewardship. Terri Thomas from Thurston County is on the Northwest Council. This demonstrates a critical strategy for waste, recovery, and recycling, which shifts the responsibility of handling to the front of the system (manufacturing and distribution) from the end of the line (government agencies and disposal). This will be a future meeting topic. *Glass recycling*, a much discussed topic, may have a problem. While various strategies have been explored, the current system manages glass by crushing it and using it for aggregate. The local business providing this service may discontinue accepting glass, which would put many jurisdictions in a bind. This will be a future topic as well. The new *Habitat for Humanity* store in Belfair is doing very well. *Mr. Fredrickson sent a letter* of congratulations to Commissioner-elect Jerry Lingle, inviting him to join the SWAC and learn more about the local system.

Plan review for both the Solid Waste proposed chapter amendment and the Hazardous Waste Chapter are still in the public comment period and will be until February of 2011.

Waste alternatives and recovery: A presentation from Frank Willman of Waste Management illustrated the many potential and current technologies and strategies. This detailed overview included:

- recovering landfill gas for fuel (in the northwest, other parts of the US, and abroad)
- Organics diversion for composting, energy recovery and in combination with biosolids for anaerobic digestion
- Vitrification of glass
- Waste to energy (disposal to electricity)
- Waste Management is a world leader in alternative energy
- Hazardous chemical recovery
- Wind energy
- Acid fermentation for gasoline production
- Solar powered compactors

Agenda topics for 2011 include waste characterization, commingled collection, glass options and potential site tours.

The next meeting will be January 13, 2011 at 6 PM in Building One

