

Mason County SWAC Meeting Minutes (Final)

May 16, 2018

1. **ROLL CALL:** The meeting was called to order by Bart Stepp at 10:00 a.m. Other attendees were Cheryl Williams, Delroy Cox, Rik Fredrickson, Steve Gilmore, Eric Nelson and Dan Teuteberg.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** No members of the general public were present, therefore no comments.
3. **MEETING MINUTES:** There was a quorum of SWAC members and the April 18, 2018 meeting minutes were approved as written.
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Bart requested an 8th item be added to discuss membership. The agenda was approved as amended.
5. **BUSINESS AGENDA:**

5.1 Review Action Items :

Action Item Number	Task Description	Responsible Person	Comments/Resolution
090116-A	Review and update all facility Operating Plans after the CSWMP is revised	Zach	Revised plans were submitted to Environmental Health for their review; need final approval of CSWMP to close (3/21) Open
031517-A	Section 8.2- Inter Local Agreement	Bart	Bart has sent several e-mails to the City and talked to PWD Craig Gregory on phone. Unknown when City will look at CSWMP (Public Works) (7/10) Open
111517-A COMPLETE	Revise Solid Waste web page	Zach	Zach has provided changes to IT Dept. He will make a "final sweep" to ensure changes have been made. (5/16) Closed
111517-B	North Mason E-waste recycling	Zach	Mason County does not have facilities to meet Ecology Standards. Must use facilities in Port Orchard or Bremerton. Information on web page: still looking into alternatives (3/21) Open
032117-A COMPLETE	Changes to 3/21 CSWMP draft	Bart	Need for changes/clarifications identified during review of 3/21 draft ; Section 5.2 below (5/16) Closed

- 5.2 **Implement surcharges for recyclable materials at facilities:** Due to lower prices for recycled material and China discontinuing export of commingled recyclables from the United States. These issues are having a devastating impact on recycled commodities. Mason County Garbage Company requested a surcharge from the county to cover the increased costs of providing the County's Drop Box Recycling program, (Blue Box). After evaluating the increased cost to provide the service the BOCC referred the issue to SWAC

for a recommendation. The committee discussed several alternatives' before recommending the county pay the surcharge for a short term until a solution can be agreed upon. If the surcharge is not approved the committee recommend keeping the blue box program intact but dispose of mixed waste paper at the transfer station till the end of the year or until a solution is reached. The China ban on recycle material is not only affecting the Blue Box recycling program it's impacting the City of Shelton and rural Mason County collections of recyclables as well.

- 5.3 **Curbside Recycling Code Discussion:** After a lengthy discussion it was concluded the Recycling Code was an important part of recycling. Residential recycling is available to all subscribers, about 80% of residential garbage customers recycle at the curb. The cost of recycling is spread over entire residential customer base for efficiency and encourage waste reduction.
6. **Eells Hill Improvement Project Update:** Construction to start 6/29/2018.
7. **Next Meeting Agenda Items:** There were no additional items at this time.
8. **Membership:** Bart related Erik, Rik and Delroy's terms were up and need to resubmit if they wanted to continue on as a SWAC Member. To provide support of completion of the CSWMP Delroy and Rik requested to continue membership through the end of the year. Bart was going to ask the BOCC about the extensions.
9. **Next meeting:** June 20, 10 AM – 12PM, if there are no agenda items for the next meeting Bart will cancel the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 11:05 AM.

Submitted by: Delroy Cox 6/25/2018