MINUTES OF THE GREENSBORO SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMISSION JANUARY 24, 2017

Members Present

Staff Present
Chris Marriott

Mark Taylor, Chair

Nancy Lindemeyer

Brenton Boyce Kay Brandon

Tony Davies

Bob Davis

The Solid Waste Management Commission met on Tuesday, January 24, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. in the Field Operations Training Room. Mary Louise Smith and Godfrey Uzochukwu were excused from the meeting.

Mark Taylor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Approval of minutes of October 25, 2016 meeting

The minutes were approved by acclamation.

WasteZero Presentation: Textile Recycling Programs

Cal Cunningham, Vice President & General Counsel for WasteZero, gave a presentation on behalf of Simple Recycling's Textile Diversion program, a free curbside textile collection program.

Old Business

a. Staff Updates

Chris Marriott stated that staff is very pleased with Custom Ecology Inc. and their hauling of the City's MSW. He stated that staff visited the Great Oak Landfill where Greensboro's MSW will be taken beginning Monday, January 30. The city will save money on both hauling and disposal costs.

There is no change in the Landfill Gas to Energy Project - White Street Renewables are still waiting on Duke Power to issue a power purchase agreement.

Based on comments received, the Yard Waste Automated Cart Impact Study RFP is being revised, and, once finalized, is set to be fast tracked.

Work continues on the Cone Boulevard Extension Project. In response to a question from Kay Brandon, Chris Marriott stated that the beautification work on the project will be done after the project is complete.

b. Other old Business

In regards to having NC A&T students work on the Landfill Feasibility Study, Mark Taylor stated that it would be August before this effort could begin. The item will appear on the February meeting agenda, so Uzo can provide an update on student assistance. Chris Marriott stated that he was unable to find other cities that had done this type of thing.

New Business

a. Discussion Regarding WasteZero Presentation

Chris Marriott asked for discussion regarding the Simple Recycling textile program. Commission members agreed that the program should be given further consideration and directed Chris to move forward with staff review, and examine Raleigh's RFP.

b. 2016 Annual Report

Mark Taylor stated that he will summarize the Commission's accomplishments in the 2016 Annual Report and distribute for comment.

c. 2017 Work Plan

Mark asked Commission members to be prepared to discuss the 2017 Work Plan at the February meeting.

d. Other new business

Chris Marriott stated that the city received a partial proposal from Golden Renewable Energy Consultants regarding a pyrolysis process for making diesel fuel from plastics. Review is ongoing and will be put through the vendor review process as adopted by the Solid Waste Management Commission.

Comments from Commissioners, Staff, Council Representatives

There were no comments.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 5:01 p.m. The next scheduled Commission meeting is Tuesday, February 28, 2016 at 3 p.m. at the Field Operations Training Room, 401 Patton Avenue.

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Respectfully submitted, Mark Taylor, Chair