

SOLID WASTE SUBCOMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
July 18, 2006

Attendees: Donna Shehane  
Craig Bayston  
Mel Blanchette  
Jim Tripp  
Rich Howell

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm by Mr. Bayston. One member of the public was present at the meeting. Mr. Bayston called for public comment, but none was given.

The draft version of the May 2006 meeting minutes were handed out and reviewed. Mr. Bayston requested a correction be made to the scheduled time of 10:00 am for the July 18, 2006 meeting. The time should have read 2:00 pm. A motion was made and seconded to approve the May 2006 meeting minutes with that correction.

The Solid Waste Management Plan was briefly discussed. Donna Shehane stated that special legal counsel was still advising to hold off a month or so longer before presenting the Plan to the full Regional Planning Commission, as various legal cases are still pending.

Donna Shehane explained that the 2005 Hauling Surveys to calculate the 2005 Kankakee County recycling rates have been evaluated and the rates submitted to the Illinois EPA. She handed out the data on the rates, which included a 7.2% residential rate, a 2.1% commercial rate, a 28% industrial rate, a construction/demolition debris rate of 84% and an overall rate of 31%. She stated that suspension letters had been sent to three haulers operating in the County, because they had not responded to warning notices for submission of 2005 tonnage data. Mr. Rich Howell asked if the affected towns had been notified of this and she replied, "No." Mr. Howell and the other members of the sub-committee stated that Donna should contact the mayors/administrators of the towns so they would be aware of this. Donna Shehane then stated that the next step will be identifying all County mobile home parks, apartments, etc. so that a recycling program is available to the citizens, pursuant to the Ordinance. She was grateful she found a report entitled, "Kankakee County Housing & Manufactured Home Report" which lists all of the mobile home parks as of 1997.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> edition of the Kankakee County Waste & Recycling pages was handed out and reviewed by the sub-committee members. I mentioned that I had summarized the Solid Waste and Recycling Ordinance in the Waste Pages, as well as the open burning ordinance changes. Mr. Howell asked if the County were doing anything to assist the homeowners who lived within 1000' of a municipality and therefore could not burn their landscape wastes. Donna stated that the County does not have money to assist them in this way and that if the township would franchise a waste hauler to pick up landscape

wastes or garbage, this might be one possible way for the citizens to get assistance. Donna needs to present the idea to Bourbonnais Township.

The waste tire collection event was held at Kankakee Community College on June 9 and June 10, 2006. About 244 tons of waste tires were collected, in comparison to 342 tons last year.

A shoe collection is still planned for America Recycles Day 2006 and letters to all the schools will be sent out shortly asking for their participation.

An interesting proposal was received from United Recycling Industries with respect to an electronics collection program, and a copy of the proposal was distributed to all members. Donna Shehane is going to tour the URI site on August 2 and meet with URI representatives to get more details.

Mr. Howell asked for an update on several sites in the County that are under Illinois EPA enforcement.

The meeting adjourned at 2:50 pm. The next meeting of the Solid Waste Subcommittee is scheduled for September 19, 2006 at 2 pm.