

SOLID WASTE SUBCOMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 2005

Attendees: Donna Shehane
Craig Bayston
Mel Blanchette
Ralph Paarlberg

Absent: Rich Howell
Jim Tripp

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm by Mr. Bayston. As there were no members of the public present at this meeting, no public comment was given. The minutes of the September 2005 meeting were approved with a passing motion. (The August 2005 meeting was cancelled).

Donna Shehane gave a brief summary of the Solid Waste Management Plan Update. She stated that a draft of the Plan Update is basically complete, but is still being reviewed by legal counsel before being disseminated to the public and the committee. She believes it will be ready for public dissemination in December.

The Kankakee County Solid Waste & Recycling Ordinance will be voted on by the PZA Committee on December 1, 2006.

Under "Old Business" a pilot recycling program for in-house collection of household batteries has been initiated.

Also under "Old Business" Donna Shehane stated both the "Country Table" catering business and "Martin Whalen Office Solutions" were presented with the Kankakee County Recycler of the Year Award for 2005. Both of these companies have committed themselves to recycling in their place of business. Both companies received a trophy made out of recycled glass, as well as a desk clock made out of recycled/reused bicycle parts. The Kankakee Daily Journal wrote an article about these recipients. In addition, a Resolution for a two-sided printing and copying policy will be presented for approval. The Treasurer and Finance Director were directed to keep track of cost savings realized due to the decreased purchase of paper this Ordinance should allow.

The 3rd Edition of the Kankakee County Waste & Recycling Pages, as well as a new solid-waste related brochure will be printed sometime in Spring 2006. Any ideas for articles are welcome.

Under "New Business", Ms. Shehane stated that Manteno High School has started a recycling program with Kankakee A&J Disposal. It is Ms. Shehane's intent to do an article on their progress and give them press in the next Waste Pages.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm. The next meeting of the Solid Waste Subcommittee is scheduled for December 20, 2005 at 10:00 am.