

Minutes

AB 939 LOCAL TASK FORCE REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, October 8, 2020

Public Zoom Video Meeting and Call-in Option

I. Welcome & Introductions

Meeting called to order at 1:32 pm.

Liz Bortolotto – Education/Legislation, Greg Carr – 1st district, Joey Hejnowicz – City of Santa Rosa, Leslie Lukacs – ZWS Executive Director, Xinci Tan – ZWS, Sloane Pagal – ZWS, Will Bakx – Representing Ag sector, Stu Clark – 4th District, Jennifer Lyle – LEA County of Sonoma, Celia Furber – Solid Waste Industry, John Bergeron – resynergy (public), Chris Brokate – Clean River Alliance, Kristyn Byrne – 3rd District, Terry Taylor – Windsor, Trish Pisenti – County of Sonoma

II. Approval of draft minutes from September 10 Special meeting

- Terry Taylor arrived late and will be added to special meeting minutes
- Next regular meeting date to be corrected to October 8
- Stu moved to approved, Greg seconded, all in favor

III. Selection of LTF Interim Chair

- Need a chair for last two meetings for 2020
- Greg asked Liz if she would
- Greg moved to approve Liz as the interim chair, Will seconded
- Passes unanimously

IV. Selection of LTF Interim Secretary

- Sloane volunteered
- Liz motioned for Sloane to be LTF note taker for the next two meetings, Will seconded
- Passes unanimously

V. Update and Vote on 5-year CoIWMP Review

- Greg has small addition – “LTF recommended and ZWS approved” wherever language currently says “LTF recommended”
- Liz and Stu said the document accurately reflected changes requested by the LTF
- Greg motioned to approve document with amendments mentioned, Stu Seconded
- Passes unanimously

VI. Discussion and Update to LTF membership

- All in attendance at this meeting confirmed continuing membership

VII. Discussion and Update of Clean River Alliance Issues

- Chris Brokate spoke about:
 - **Mowing trash and creating microplastics in our waterways** (CalTrans, City of SR, The County of Sonoma)
 - Johannes Hoevertsz presented an Adopt-a-Highway program to the Board of Supervisors
 - River Rd. and Hwy 116 to Jenner, road sections have been mowed and there was no trash mitigation there whatsoever; Guerneville Rd. is problematic, Santa Rosa Creek needs attention
 - Virtually no storm drain trash mitigation and no trash cleanup ahead of the mowing; COVID has derailed any trash mitigation that was happening
 - Trash program on main stem of the river with homeless folks cleaning up to 2000-3000 pounds of trash weekly
 - **Tarp law not being enforced at the Transfer Stations**
 - **Contingency plan needed for material management when homeless are asked to vacate an area**

VIII. Legislative Committee Report

- Liz gave the update that AB 793 passed and was signed into law by Governor Newsom. This will require companies that produce single-use beverages will be required to use a minimum of 15% post-consumer recycled content by 2022, 25% by 2025, and 50% by 2030.
- SB 54 / AB 1080 did not pass, but it might come back in the next legislative session
- Will Bakx said that CAW is working with BPI on a new bill focused on labeling in California which will require that by a certain year, 25% of facilities will be required to accept compostable plastics, which would increase after a period of time. Under this proposed legislation, CalRecycle will determine which facilities are required to accept the material. This labeling bill requires compostable products to be PFAS free, and as of January 1, 2020 all BPI certified compostable products must be PFAS free.

IX. Public Comments

None

X. Member Announcements

- Zero Waste Sonoma is forming a reuse coalition with the first meeting expected in November
- Dan Noble – Bioresources Conference coming up – state and federal regulators, SB 1383, air toxics regulations on compost. Mid-November. Free two-day conference. Will send event details to Leslie, who will distribute
- Leslie is speaking at a webinar on compostable plastics on Tuesday

XI. Next Regular Meeting Date – December 10, 2020

XII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:44 pm