



MINUTES OF APRIL 18, 2007

The Sonoma County Waste Management Agency met on April 18, 2007, at the City of Santa Rosa Utilities Department's Subregional Water Reclamation System Laguna Plant, 4300 Llano Road, Santa Rosa, California.

PRESENT:

City of Santa Rosa	Dell Tredinnick, Chair
City of Cotati	Marsha Sue Lustig
City of Cloverdale	Steve Holsinger
City of Healdsburg	Marjie Pettus
City of Petaluma	Vince Marengo
City of Rohnert Park	Tim Smith, Vice Chair
City of Sebastopol	Dave Brennan
City of Sonoma	Steve Barbose
County of Sonoma	Dave Knight
Town of Windsor	Christa Johnson

STAFF PRESENT:

Director	Ken Wells
Counsel	Janet Coleson
Staff	Charlotte Fisher
	Patrick Carter

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
Vice Chair, Tim Smith, called the meeting to order at 9:05 am.
- 2. ATTACHMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE**
Tim Smith, Vice Chair, called attention to the Director's Agenda Notes.
- 3. ON FILE WITH CLERK**
Tim Smith, Vice Chair, noted the resolutions from the March meeting on file with the clerk.
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**
There were no public comments.

CONSENT

- 5.1 Minutes of March 21, 2007**
- 5.2 Resolution for HHW Coordination Grant**
- 5.3 Resolution for HHW Infrastructure Grant**

Ken Wells, Executive Director, noted that revised versions of the two resolutions for the CIWMB grant applications have been provided to each Board member today to replace the Resolutions sent via email to the Agency Board members. **The consent calendar was approved.**

Dell Tredinnick, Chair, arrived and relieved Tim Smith at 9:10 a.m. (cf)

PLANNING

8.1 Recommendations form LTF for CoIWMP Amendment

Ken Wells explained that the County's solid waste is currently hauled to out-of-County landfills, which is inconsistent with the Countywide Integrated Waste Management Plan's (CoIWMPs) Siting Element. Last year the AB939 Local Task Force was requested to develop revised language for the CoIWMP to correct this situation. At the February 2007 AB939 LTF meeting recommended changes to Chapter 2 (Goals, Objectives, and Policies) and Chapter 6 (Siting Element) of the CoIWMP were approved for presentation to the SCWMA. The proposed changes to the CoIWMP were presented to the SCWMA at its March 2007 meeting, where staff was directed to return with a detailed explanation of the changes. The recommended revisions have been numbered and keyed on an accompanying table with an explanation of each of the changes. The Board reviewed each page of the proposed revised chapters and, by consensus, directed staff to make specific changes. In addition, as the information was not immediately available, staff was asked to return with the projected capacity of the out-of-county landfills listed in Section 6.2 and to determine what the regulations require for Section 6.8.4, Revenue Sources.

During public comments on this item, Doug Bosco suggested that the goal of reducing greenhouse gases be added to the goals of the CoIWMP, which was agreed to by the Board.

The revisions to the CoIWMP will be presented for further review and consideration by the Board at the next regularly scheduled Agency Board of Directors' meeting.

ADMINISTRATION

7.1 Further Consideration of FY 07-08 Draft Budget

Based on direction from the Board at the March meeting, Ken Wells presented a FY 07-08 Draft Budget that included a transfer of \$300,000 from the Contingency Reserve Fund to the HHW Operating Reserve Fund in three annual \$100,000 installments (Scenario 1). In addition to this option, staff presented two other draft budget options (Scenarios 2 and 3) for consideration. In Scenario 2, the transfer of \$300,000 from the Contingency Reserve Fund to the HHW Operating Reserve Fund was done in one \$300,000 transfer in FY 07-08. In Scenario 3, in addition to a transfer of \$300,000 from the Contingency Reserve Fund to the HHW Operating Reserve Fund in FY 07-08, the HHW program expansion was extended by one year. After discussion, **Tim Smith, Rohnert Park, moved to approve Scenario 3, which sets the surcharge tipping fee increase at \$.90 per ton, to be used to develop the final budget for FY 07-08. Vince Marengo, Petaluma, seconded the motion.**

During discussion of the motion, Dave Knight, County of Sonoma, raised the issue of the reserve policy restrictions with respect to the budget process and the necessity of finding other revenue sources. This discussion lead to an amended motion. **Tim Smith amended the previous motion to raise the surcharge tipping fee to \$1.00 per ton. Vince Marengo, Petaluma, seconded the amended motion.**

Dave Brennan, Sebastopol, expressed his concern about the size of the increase and the rapidly increasing cost of the Household Hazardous Waste program. He felt that options for increasing revenues from the HHW program should be explored rather than continuing to increase the surcharge tipping fee. He indicated that he could only support a \$0.90 increase. **Tim Smith amended the motion a second time to set the surcharge tipping fee increase at \$.90 per ton for the FY 07-08 Budget. Vince Marengo, Petaluma, seconded the amended motion.**

The motion passed with a unanimous vote. Staff was directed to return to the June meeting with a final budget to be presented for approval.

Vince Marengo, Petaluma, made a motion to direct the Executive Director to prepare an amendment to the agreement with the City of Petaluma for Agency services. This agreement is an integral part of the budget. **Tim Smith, Rohnert Park, seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.** It was agreed that the schedule for amending the agreement will be to present it first at the May 16, 2007 Agency Board meeting and then to the Petaluma City Council for their approval on May 21, 2007.

8. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

There were no Board comments.

9. STAFF COMMENTS

Ken Wells presented Dave Knight, County of Sonoma, a certificate recognizing his ten years of participation on the Board. Dave will be retiring from County service in May.

Ken stated the Recycling Guides for 2007 were available with a box at each Boardmember's place for distribution at each of their city halls.

Patrick Carter reminded the Boardmembers to respond to the email from the Department of Conservation that would fund the beverage container recycling program for each of their cities.

Pam Davis, North Bay Corporation, was asked to give a brief description of the "Go Green" program that she has been instrumental in unveiling.

10. ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Charlotte Fisher