



## NORTHERN VIRGINIA WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD

### Summary Minutes

December 2, 2011

#### Members Present:

Alton Weaver, City of Alexandria  
Erik Grabowsky, Arlington County  
Joyce Doughty, Fairfax County  
Pamela Gratton, Fairfax County  
Kate Vasquez, Fairfax County  
Kathy Allan, City of Falls Church  
Hershel Kirk, Town of Herndon  
Thomas Mason, Town of Leesburg  
Jane Tatum, Loudoun County  
John Snarr, MWCOG  
Thomas Smith, Prince William County

Scott MacDonald, Prince William County

#### Staff Present:

Debbie Spiliotopoulos, NVRC  
Linda Summerall, NVRC

#### Invited Guests:

Normand Goulet, NVRC  
Sue Rowland, Legislative Consultant

**CALL TO ORDER** Chairman Tom Mason called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

**LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES** Sue Rowland reported the Legislative Committee met earlier in the week

The Governor's Commission on Government Reform and Restructuring recommends elimination of the Virginia Litter Control and Recycling Advisory Board (among others). The board's responsibilities would go to DEQ. Ms. Rowland commented that elimination will not save money since the board's members are not compensated. The Legislative Committee if the industry supports this elimination.

Jane Tatum said that every state dollar spent on this function generates ten dollars. This is a successful program. Will there be a change to the fund? If the board is eliminated there is no advocate for the fund.

Ms. Rowland suggested the Northern Virginia Waste Management Board send its concern to the Task Force and the Northern Virginia Delegation.

It was noted that the board review of applications saves the state money. It was suggested tying this into the Chesapeake Bay regulations to clean up litter in the Bay or tie it into the new stormwater regulations.

The members agreed unanimously to ask NVRC's Legislative Committee to support the board.

Ms. Rowland reported the Governor's budget will be released December 19.

NVRC's 2012 legislative platform's position on solid waste has not changed.

The General Assembly session starts January 11, 2012.

**MS4 PERMITS AND CHESAPEAKE BAY** Debbie Spiliotopoulos introduced Normand Goulet, Senior Environmental Planner with NVRC, who works primarily on the Occoquan Watershed and Chesapeake Bay programs.

The MS4 permit is a county permit and the chief elected official is responsible for it. Mr. Goulet reported the EPA is looking at tie-ins to the permit. There are two types of permits: Phase I is an individual jurisdiction permit, Phase II is a general permit. In Virginia the Phase I permits are being administratively continued.

The MS4 permit program is being proposed to move from DCR to DEQ which would result in it becoming a regulatory program. Mr. Goulet called the MS4 permits EPA's

“hammer” for urban stormwater.

**KNOW TOXICS  
CAMPAIGN**

Ms. Spiliotopoulos said local waste managers should have received a letter for staff training on Know Toxics universal waste. Loudoun, Prince William and Falls Church have stated their intent to participate; Arlington and Fairfax County are still considering participation. She is working with the consultant to hold the workshop in February. NVRC will contract with the consultant and invoice the jurisdictions that participate.

The website is receiving 500 page views/month, and 300 individuals visit the website per month.

Ms. Spiliotopoulos will work with private industry groups on CE credits for universal waste training.

**WASTE REPORT  
STATUS**

The draft report was emailed earlier in the month. Edits are needed by December 6. Ms. Spiliotopoulos will make the changes and email the revised report to the members by December 14 for final approval.

**HAULER FORMS  
WORKGROUP**

Scott MacDonald, Prince William County, reported that all jurisdictions would use the forms, resulting in standardization of information collected. The paper reporting form is ready; the electronic version is still under development..

**APPRECIATION OF  
KATHY ALLAN**

Mr. Mason presented Kathy Allan, 2011 chairman, with a framed certificate of appreciation.

**MINUTES**

Tom Smith, Prince William County, moved approval of the minutes of the September meeting. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

**LOCAL UPDATES/  
NEW BUSINESS**

During this session, notes are not taken.

**ADJOURNMENT**