

**NORTHERN VIRGINIA WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD**  
**Summary Minutes**

September 5, 2014

**Members Present:**

Kate Glass, Loudoun County  
John Snarr, MWCOG  
Pamela Gratton, Fairfax County  
Scott MacDonald, Prince William County  
Thomas Mason, Town of Leesburg  
Alton R. Weaver, City of Alexandria  
Mike Clem, city of Alexandria  
Thomas Smith, Prince William County

**Staff Present:**

Debbie Spiliotopoulos, NVRC

**Invited Guests:**

Marlene Reddoor, EPA Headquarters  
Richard Doucette, Virginia DEQ  
Corey Miles, NVRC  
Mary Van Dyke, NVRC  
EJ Scott, Virginia Waste Management Board  
Sue Rowland, SRC Consultants

**CALL TO ORDER** Tom Smith, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. Introductions were made around the table.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Tom Smith moved approval of the minutes as amended of the March 14, 2014, meeting. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

**I - LANDSCAPE BMP TRAINING** Corey Miles, Coastal Program Manager, will provide an update on NVRC's landscaper BMP training, which is an opportunity for board members/DEQ to present on proper management of yard waste directly to approximately 48 landscaping companies who've registered. The training will be held on October 8, 2014 at the Falls Church Community Center.

**ACTIONS:**

The Waste Board will develop a handout, and a member will have a half hour opportunity to present.

Pamela Gratton of Fairfax and Kate Glass of Loudoun will work with DEQ and NVRC staff to develop the handout and highlights to address. Please contact NVRC if your jurisdiction has updated requirements, or if you'd like to participate in this effort. NVRC will send Fairfax, others, highlights with background information.

**II – VIRGINIA WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD** E.J. Scott, Northern Virginia resident and Virginia Waste Board Chair, gave an overview the Virginia Waste Management Board, DEQ priorities, and opportunities for the NVWMB to work together.

Tom Smith, Prince William County, discussed the benefits of providing a combined recycling and waste management reports to offer the full waste management picture. Given the hierarchy of recycling over solid waste disposal, the board discussed the value of combining the annual recycling and waste generation reports. Given the challenge facing DEQ with differing data sources for the report, the Board recommended a call with Steve Coe, DEQ staff in charge of the reports, prior to any formal recommendation to the waste board. E.J. Scott requested that she be included in this discussion as well.

Members also wanted assurance that the coal ash requirements won't affect incinerator ash, which is still covered by RCRA Subtitle D (at this point, coal ash is exempt from regulation, requiring special evaluation).

DEQ indicated that the tire fund is still in place, and should remain in the coming year.

**ACTIONS:** The group recommended that NVRC host a call with interested board members and Steve Coe on the feasibility of combining the waste and recycling reports.

### III – WASTE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

Sue Rowland, SRC Consulting, led a discussion of policy/legislative issues facing Northern Virginia Waste Managers this year.

#### *Construction, Demolition and Debris:*

With no CDD debris facilities in the coming years, Pamela Gratton, Fairfax, indicated that she's received a request to recommend legislative authority/policy that encourages CDD recovery rather than construction. The County is looking for innovative examples from other jurisdictions, such as monetary incentives, bans, etc. Is there a need for enabling legislation related to this? Arlington and other jurisdictions have used permitting and construction community to encourage recovery and recycling. Without the extension of the Lorton landfill, it will close in 2018 further reducing CDD handling facilities in the region.

#### *Cathode Ray Tubes (CRTs)*

A major recycler in the region, Creative Recycling Solutions, recently shut down. This company was certified and managed a number of contracts. The issue of abandoned CRTs from closed companies, and the lack of lead glass smelters (only one operating, in India) has led to a rising number of abandoned concentrations of CRTs all over the country. Given the limited effectiveness of the computer take back program in Virginia, and nationwide issues, the Waste Board looks to DEQ on their recommendations. In addition, EPA Headquarters indicated they'd find a staff to provide an overview of the issue from the national perspective as well, perhaps in an upcoming waste board meeting. Scott MacDonald, Prince William County, made the observation that "CRTs are the new Tires" and that the state has a system for managing difficult to recycling/dispose of items.

#### *MS4 and Litter*

Litter and Dumpster Placement, in light of upcoming MS4 requirements, there may be a request for Fairfax to develop bmp or requirements for dumpster placement to minimize overflow/blow off litter entering storm drains. In addition, there is an ongoing dialogue on street sweeping and leaf collection impacts to MS4 stormwater requirements.

#### **ACTIONS:**

Jurisdictions should share CDD recycling sample legislation and approaches with Fairfax County.

Reach out to recommended EPA and DEQ staff to speak on the issue of abandoned CRTs.

Sue Rowland will track these issues. Fairfax will share with jurisdictions as these potential policies/recommendations develop.

Invite Norm Goulet, other MS4 experts present at future Waste Board meeting.

### IV – CDD LANDFILL AND RECYCLING DISCUSSION

Tom Smith led a discussion of CDD landfill and recycling, current status and capacity of regional facilities. This is an important element, as waste plans are due in the coming year, and CDD is an element included in assessment.

DEQ will work with NVRC to develop an updated list of regional facilities, including the status and capacity of operating CDD facilities in the region and MD.

Most plans will likely be minor modifications. Change in status, such as landfill gas changes might require more effort.

**ACTION:** NVRC will work with DEQ to update state capacities and permitting status in preparation for local solid waste management plan updates. Please contact NVRC with any additional information that localities would like to include.

Note: NVRC could support local efforts in developing/writing plan amendments.

- V – DEQ UPDATES                    Richard Doucette, VA DEQ gave DEQ update, with discussion of solid waste plan updates and DEQ expectations, local needs. At this point, though the Governor has requested cuts, DEQ is not planning to cut staff.
- DEQ will hold an upcoming meeting November 3&4, 2014 at the Omni Hotel in Charlottesville. An announcement / invitation will be distributed soon. The Virginia Recycling Association's meeting will be held in conjunction with the DEQ meeting.
- ACTION: Discussion Item
- VI- KNOW TOXICS UPDATES                    Debbie Spilitoupoulous gave updates. Next subcommittee meeting to be held Friday, September 26, 2014. Plan and schedule training, training location, upgrades to program and website. DEQ will offer training in waste oil/used oil to add CEU credits to the existing program. The board discussed finding a way to cover the costs of staff time in running the training program.
- ACTION: subcommittee call Friday, September 26, 2014. Looking for spring 2015 training host location.
- VII – 2014 ANNUAL REPORT                    Tom Smith, Chair, delivered Summary of 2014 activities, expenditures.
- ACTION: Report Adopted by board, Tom Mason of Leesburg moved to adopt, Alton Weaver of Alexandria Seconded, motion passed.
- VIII – 2016 WASTE PROGRAM BUDGET                    Work program, budget for 2016. Discussion focused on budget, options for moving program funds depending on need. NVRC noted that the funding was flexible, as long as it was the same line item, but all could be moved as needed. The board requested a financial update mid-year.
- ACTION: Budget adopted, with request for mid-year financial update if possible. Moved by Tom Mason, approved by Pamela Gratton of Fairfax, voted to adopt.
- IX – APPRECIATION OF MONICA BOEHRINGER, 2014 CHAIR                    Tom Smith, Chair and the program members agreed to delay formal appreciation of Monica Boehringer to the December 2014 meeting.
- X – LOCAL UPDATES AND NEW BUSINESS                    Introduced by Tom Smith, Chair. No new updates at this time
- XI - ADJOURN                    The meeting was adjourned at 11.50 AM
- The next meeting will be December 5, 9.30 – noon, in the new location as NVRC are moving to the adjacent building, 3040 Williams Drive (Second Floor), Fairfax.