

**NORTHERN VIRGINIA WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD**  
**Summary Minutes**  
March 5, 2010  
10:00 am

**Members Present:**

Kathy Allan, City of Falls Church  
Hershel Kirk, Town of Herndon  
Jane Tatum, Loudoun County  
John Snarr, MWCOG  
Scott MacDonald, Prince William County  
Sue Lhotka, City of Manassas  
Venishka Hurdle, Arlington County  
Jeff Smithberger, Fairfax County; NVWMB  
Chairman  
Kathryn Moore, City of Manassas Park  
Pamela Gratton, Fairfax County

**Staff Present:**

Debbie Spiliotopoulos, NVRC  
Linda Summerall, NVRC

**Invited Guests:**

Mike Fannon, CDM eCycling  
Kathryn Perszyk, DEQ  
Jennifer Cole, Clean Fairfax Council  
Greg Martin, Clean Energy, Inc.

**CALL TO ORDER** Chairman Jeff Smithberger called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

**INTRODUCTIONS** Meeting participants introduced themselves.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Ms. Spiliotopoulos said she will correct the minutes to correctly identify Mr. Smithberger. Ms. Tatum moved approval of the corrected minutes of the December 4, 2009, meeting. The motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

**LEGISLATIVE UPDATE** Ms. Spiliotopoulos provided the Legislative Update on behalf of Sue Rowland, NVRC's Legislative Liaison, who is monitoring the General Assembly session. A written synopsis of pertinent bills was distributed.

Addressing the \$2/ton fee, Mr. Smithberger said the legislation was essentially dead. Private industry is opposed; no one wants higher permit fees. The bill would have added approximately \$1 million throughout the state in additional fees. The General Assembly is trying to make DEQ more user-fee based.

A conference call with Sue Rowland is scheduled for March 10.

Mr. Snarr stated that legislation for a plastic bag fee is dead. Mr. Smithberger reported that Maryland is considering enacting this fee.

Mr. Smithberger added that it is not too early to start thinking about the 2011 legislative session.

**ELECTRONICS RECYCLING PRESENTATIONS** • CDM eCycling is an eleven-year-old company based in Baltimore that works with the private and municipal sectors. It partners with two nonprofits for the developmentally disabled: Emerge in Columbia, Maryland, and ServiceSource in Alexandria, Virginia.

The company tries to re-use as much of the equipment as possible. Equipment that cannot be re-used is manually dismantled and recycled: wires, metals, plastics, even the CRTs, although the market for CRTs is declining and will be phased out over the next seven to ten years. Most of the recycling is done outside the U.S.; steel is recycled domestically.

The company's recycling volume has increased each year; last year recovering 16 million pounds of electronics.

Additionally, the company does certified data destruction for both businesses and government agencies.

• Mr. McDonald made a presentation on Prince William County's RFP process for electronics recycling and distributed copies of the RFP's scope of work. Six responses

were received; four companies were interviewed, and the contract was awarded to a company in North Carolina. Mr. McDonald noted that in the future, he would give more points to companies incorporating re-use into their programs.

Prince William County opens its electronics drop-off facility one day/week to county agencies. The county is considering at electronics recycling for the business sector.

**STRATEGIC WORK PLAN 2010-2015** Mr. Smithberger noted two main points: (1) Northern Virginia does not want overlap of activities performed by MWCOG, and (2) Outreach to members who usually do not attend meetings.

Sue Lhotka, City of Manassas, voiced support for offering conference call in capability for waste board meetings, noting this will save gasoline. Mr. Smithberger said video conferencing should also be explored. NVRC will provide a call in service for the June 2010 meeting.

The work plan will remain open until March 12 so members can suggest changes.

**WASTE BOARD STAFF SITE/ KNOW TOXICS WEBSITE** • Information on the Waste Board is posted under "Programs & Projects" on NVRC's website, [www.novaregion.org](http://www.novaregion.org). The Waste Board staff page is password-accessible only. Jurisdictional information can be posted on or linked to from this site.

• Ms. Spiliotopoulos reported that the Know Toxics Committee met last week; Ms. Gratton and Mr. McDonald were in attendance. The majority of the meeting was devoted to discussion of website changes, the bulk of which will be improving and updating the private recycler resource webpage.

**LOCAL UPDATES** No minutes are kept of information exchanged among the board members.

**ADJOURNMENT** The meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.