# AGENDA WASTE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY BOARD JULY 20, 2004 – 11:30 AM ED WOODS TRAINING ROOM

- ? Call to Order 11:30 am
- ? Approval of June 15, 2004 Minutes
- ? County Staff Reports & Committee Reports
- ? Final Disposal Committee
- ? Foxhole Landfill
- ? Disposal Options
- ? Litter Committee
- ? Waste Reduction Committee

## ? Other Old Business

- -- Staff update on compost and mulch sales
- -- Progress report on consultant selection for Waste Characterization and Single Stream

Analysis

## ? Other New Business

-- Report of Ad Hoc Committee on proposed fund transfer to Capital Reserve

<u>Next Meeting:</u> <u>August 17, 2004</u> – Ed Woods Training Room Hal Marshall Services Center, 700 North Tryon Street

#### **MINUTES**

WASTE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY BOARD ED WOODS TRAINING ROOM (11:30 am) - HAL MARSHALL SERVICES CENTER

JUNE 15, 2004

# PRESENT:

Henry Allison, Tom Atwood, Ann Eichelberger, Christina Fisher, Lamar Gunter, Ann Kimbro, Elaine Powell, Ron Santini, Joe Spencer, Steve Thomas, Brenda Williams, Bob Williams

## STAFF:

Eddie Allen, Brenda Barger, Scott Brown, Diane Davis, Stewart Espey, Ann Gill, Bruce Gledhill, Jimmy Gordon, Joe Hack, Laurette Hall, Steve Hoffman, Audrey Mershon,

Michael Talbert

## **ABSENT:**

The regular meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Ann Kimbro. The May 18, 2004 meeting minutes were approved.

New members Brenda Williams and Ron Santini were introduced. Deb Carl submitted her resignation in May. Mike Fox and Danny Lovett are no longer members due to not meeting the BOCC's attendance policy.

#### FINAL DISPOSAL

Foxhole — The Foxhole Greenway paving project is nearly complete. The Greenway Project has two to three weeks before completion. Solid Waste is working with Park & Recreation and the Foxhole Advisory Council to plan a kickoff celebration. The permit modification application planning and submission for the Foxhole Landfill continues. The wetland permit will be submitted in the next thirty days. The Foxhole Advisory Council next meeting will be held in July.

## ? Member/staff report on July Foxhole Advisory Council meeting

Ritchie Landfill (Notice of Violation - NOV) – The Ritchie Landfill representative filed a counter claim against Mecklenburg County. However, the consent agreement for site documentation and facility closure plan is still in process. Mecklenburg County and counsel will review the required documents.

Hickory Grove Recycling Center Expansion – The Hickory Grove Recycling Center expansion is in the planning stages. A storm debris management area will be added to

the site for emergency situations. In the event that a major storm occurs the County will have immediate available space ready to receive debris.

Litter: A meeting will be held on Monday, June 21, 2004 for final certification of Keep Mecklenburg Beautiful. A public announcement will be held at the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center on July 13, 2004. Candidates running for office in the July 20th primary have been invited to sign a pledge committing to the removal of political signs from right-of-ways by July 30th. The political signs can be brought to the Hal Marshall Services Center Annex on College Street for recycling on July 30th. The media has been invited to attend both events. Keep Mecklenburg Beautiful affiliate will also propose July 13th Keep Mecklenburg Beautiful Day.

## **WASTE REDUCTION**

Residential: County staff reviewed its efforts to work with South Park POPS for event recycling. After several meetings and initial concurrence officials with South Park POPS event decided not to participate in recycling.

The Yiasou Greek Festival will be held in September and will have an event recycling program. The River Romp event has been cancelled.

The PLANT Program provided County Stormwater staff with native and invasive plant brochures for creek resident education.

Starbucks Coffee will be partnering with Mecklenburg County to promote composting. One compost display stand-alone site will be setup at Starbucks on East Boulevard. Mecklenburg County will maintain the site. Mecklenburg County has developed a poster promoting the PLANT workshops and composting at home. The posters will be distributed in July or August.

The PLANT workshop had sixty-five in attendance for the fourth quarter. The vermicomposting class is being held at CMS. Nine events with seven hundred and seventy-one in attendance. CMS Teacher Training was held for thirty-four teachers.

#### Commercial:

The Business Recognition Awards Luncheon held at Maggiano's Restaurant had one hundred participants. Two County Commissioners attended and representatives from the Manager's Office and LUESA were also present. Mecklenburg County thanks the WMAB members that were in attendance for their volunteer efforts.

The Waste Characterization and Waste Stream Analysis project for FY2004-05 RFP has been issued. Proposals will be accepted until July 2nd. The necessary information will be provided to the WMAB committee members for review.

? Selection Committee to report progress at July meeting

Mecklenburg County reported data on enforcement for the commercial source separation ordinance for May. One hundred inspections were made. Thirteen businesses were non-complaint. First NOV (Notice of Violation) was issued in June to a local property management company. Solid Waste expressed that the County's initial implementation of the program was based on education and cooperation. The County has worked with the business receiving the NOV since January 2004 to seek compliance.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Mecklenburg County reported on the compost and mulch sales at Compost Central. The sales have increased by 5% since the last fiscal year. Mecklenburg County has met with New Solutions after they lost contracts with Home Depot and Lowe's to look into their marketing process. Regular progress meetings have occurred since that time.

As requested by WMAB member, Mecklenburg County distributed a solid waste ORG chart and contact information for Mecklenburg County solid waste staff. The information is also available on the County's website at <a href="https://www.wipeoutwaste.com">www.wipeoutwaste.com</a>.

The FY2005 solid waste budget as recommended by the WMAB will be voted on by the BOCC at their regular meeting. Budget approval in current form is anticipated. The BOCC approved the County's membership with the Product Stewardship Institute at their June 1, 2004 meeting as requested by the County's Environmental Leadership Teams.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Solid Waste will seek the transfer of monies to the Capital Reserve Account. Mecklenburg County staff will present to the BOCC on August 10, 2004. The County will need to review with the WMAB Budget Committee before the WMAB July meeting. County staff and the Ad Hoc Committee agreed to meet on July 13, 2004 at 12:00 noon to consider Capital Reserve budget.

## Committee Appointment:

Ron Santini appointed to the Final Disposal – Options Committee and Brenda Williams appointed to the Litter Committee. Henry Allison and Ann Eichelberger appointed to the Appeals Committee. Steve Thomas appointed to the Budget Committee.

Mecklenburg County will have a pilot program starting July 1, 2004 for Ozone Action Days. Ann Kimbro asked for a volunteer to attend the regular Environmental Coordinating Council meeting in her absence on June 23, 2004. No one was available at the meeting. Any member available should contact Ann. The WMAB member in attendance should report back to the WMAB meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

Presentation: Litter presentation given by County staff.

cc: Bobbie Shields, General Manager Cary Saul, Director of Land Use & Environmental Services Agency Bruce Gledhill, Solid Waste Director Wayman Pearson, City of Charlotte Solid Waste Services

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