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MEETING MINUTES

TXSWANA Board of Directors Meeting

Friday, November 19, 2010 10:30 am CST

San Antonio, Tool Yard NE Service Center

Present: Brenda Haney, David McCary, Lonnie Banks, Hector Chavez, Bill Hindman, Holly Holder, Vance Kemler, Richard McHale, Lawrence Mikolajczyk, Ron Smith, Paul Gosselink,

Phone: Michael Rice, Ellen Smyth, James Ballowe, David Ivory, Mary Nix, Bengy Williams,

Absent: Pete Caler, Harry Hayes

Guests: David Hudson, VA Stevens, Mike Carlton, Risa Fisher

Call to Order: President, Brenda Haney called the meeting to order at 10:38 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Review of the minutes for the October 20, 2010, board meeting occurred. Several corrections noted and will be completed by Ellen. Motion was made by Bill Hindman to accept the minutes with corrections, 2nd by Holly Holder. Motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Ellen Smyth presented the current financial reports for the month of October 2010. The October 2010 report reflects:

- \$45,361.70 checking
- \$5,220.72 savings
- \$10,000 SWANA
- \$30,000 SWANA

Motion was made by Bill Hindman to accept the financial reports as presented; 2nd by David McCary. Motion passed.

CHAPTER BUSINESS

2011 ANNUAL CONFERENCE: Brenda Haney assigned chairs to programs for the 2011 Annual Conference. The dates of the Conference are April 17-20, 2011, so mark your calendars now. Assignments are as follows:

- Bill Hindman, Chair Technical Program
- Ron Smith, Chair Golf Program
- Brenda Haney, Chair Technical Tours & Key Note Speakers
- Vance Kemler, Chair Exhibitors Programs
- Brenda Haney, Chair Sponsorships with Harry Hayes, David McCary
- Lonnie Banks' Assistant Samia – Registration Programs

The technical tours are lined up. The theme will focus on sustainability; The City of Irving will present the largest net zero school in the state and one of the largest in the nation. Also a net zero library will be coming on line. The Irving Convention Center will be LEED Certified facility and will have a behind the scene tour. Ron reported on the Golf Tournament. River Chase is a nice golf course that may be our point of destination.

2011 ROAD-E-O:

Ron Smith reported on the 2011 Road-e-o progress. They are working to secure several hotels and Michael Vaughn will assist him in coordinating Road-e-o activities for May 13-14 dates.

LEGISLATIVE / REGULATORY:

David Hudson with Owens Corning presented legislative updates. David introduced VA Stevens with Strategic Materials. Strategic Materials is a diversified processor of glass, plastic and aluminum. She is based out of Houston with another 40 locations across America and Canada. They presented a more modernized version of the container deposit legislation. Key benefits will be to help reduce litter and trash in streams and water ways. Reduce the need for storm water drainage and increase revenue for the solid waste industry through curbside programs. They estimate the job impact for Texas to increase 12K to 13K new jobs. We also look at it as a greening up of the recycled materials.

David Hudson went on to discuss how the proposed program will work. They would be asking for a container deposit on beverages. They would provide exemptions on milk and fruit juice that are 100% fruit juice with no sugar. The deposit would be issued at the distributor level, which would offer a "closed loop deposit system". The manufacturer or distribution company will include a deposit directly to the Texas Comptroller's Office (example: 5 cents deposit for bottles less than 24 oz and 10 cents deposit for bottles greater than 24 oz). Distributors in Texas will pay the deposit. The deposit will be outside the tax calculation. They are not proposing a landfill ban on these bottles. Michigan has a similar program in place. Redemption centers will take the materials at the end of the process.

Paul Gosselink briefly discussed Owens Corning proposed bill and recommended that David Hudson provide a written follow up to the Board's questions.

LEGISLATIVE / REGULATORY CONTINUED:

Paul reported on Licensing Rule and that the rule will be passed as proposed with some additions as the Board had requested. One rule will be added that will give specialty certifications for medical waste and composting. There will be "A" and "B" Course Certifications. There will be a special training on medical waste and composting.

Paul presented the SB 184 book on the bill. SB 184 requires TCEQ to develop and present a report to the legislature by December 31, 2010, that outlines strategies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by businesses and consumers of Texas, over the lifetime of the strategy, will result in no financial cost to businesses and consumers of the state. This bill calls on the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to identify cost-effective ways to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Commonly known as the "no regrets" approach, this bill seeks to realize the economic benefits. Paul will send out the five-page report on SB 184.

Paul has been working with Mike Carleton regarding the Strawman Rule that Vance and Lonnie had taken the lead on. This is the non-wind renewable energy rule that has been under ongoing consideration and revision at the PUC. The rule went through the public comment period and work session and it stalled. It will come out of the stall on December 16, 2010 with a somewhat revised rule. The current proposed rule is 500 mega watts of non-wind renewable energy will be mandated on a percentage allocation to the facility to create electricity according to the load share ratios with a five

year phased in period. The proposed rule of 500 mega watts of non-wind renewable energy could be 1,500 mega watts. At 1,500 mega watts it could possibly create more incentive, so people will buy. The rule shifts to the legislature.

Mike Carleton provided a power point presentation outlining the Strawman Rule and where TXSWANA lands should the mega watts requirements increase. The question discussed was should your city support establishing a renewable portfolio standard. Texas cities should consider a resolution showing a support of renewable portfolio standard of 1,500 mega watts or better. TXSWANA supports the establishment of a renewable portfolio standard.

NEWSLETTER / WEBSITE:

Michael Rice reported that the newsletter went out in October with the next newsletter expected to come out in January. January's newsletter will included a call for papers for the upcoming conference.

REGIONAL MEETINGS:

No regional meetings have been set up.

I.B. REPORT:

Nothing to report

OTHER BUSINESS:

SWANA National will be conducting their annual Senior Executive Seminar in Austin at the Hilton Hotel on January 26-28, 2011 if you would like to attend.

Please be advised that TCEQ will conduct an audit of daily cover for fifteen (15) landfills in the DFW Area.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Revenue increase for the newsletter – Harry Hayes will work with Michael Rice
- National fee increase to be confirmed by Ellen Smyth
- Paul will contact DA Stevens to create questions and answers to the proposed bill for a modernized version of the container deposit legislation
- Paul will send out pages on Senate Bill 184 to board members.
- Paul will craft resolution in support of establishing a non-wind renewable portfolio standard.
- SWANA Chapter newsletter board will craft a paragraph on what our chapter is working on; what successful items completed; and what new and different concepts are being developed; and what our chapter is doing to retain and increase current membership.

NEXT MEETING: The next TXSWANA Board of Directors Meeting will be in Austin on January 21, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. at Paul Gosselink's office. The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.