

Lewis County Solid Waste Advisory Committee – Minutes

Wednesday, October 12, 2022 at 1:00pm

Location: Lewis County Public Services, Large Conference room, 2025 NE Kresky Ave, Chehalis
In-Person Meeting with ZOOM option.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Call to order by Terry Harris at 1:01pm.
2. **ROLL CALL:** *Members in attendance.*

Member Name	Representation	Attendance	Non- Member Name	Representation
Terry Harris	SWAC Chair	P	Laura Busby (Zoom)	Department of Ecology
Peppy Elizaga	SWAC Vice-Chair	EA	Josh Metcalf	LC Public Works Director
Jason Adams	WSU Extension/ Agriculture	P (Zoom)	Tina Hemphill	LC Public Works Deputy Director
Eddie Lewis	Waste Management Industry	UA	Brian Warren	LC Code Enforcement Manager
Tom Rupert	Waste Management Industry	P	Caroline Garibay-Zamudio	LC Code Enforcement Customer Serv.
Robert Spahr	Chehalis City Council	P	Rocky Lyon	LC Solid Waste Manager
Max Vogt	Centralia City Council	P (Zoom)	Melanie Case	LC Solid Waste Recycling Coordinator
Samantha Winkle	Waste Management Industry	P (Zoom)	Kristen Buckman	LC Solid Waste Office Manager
			Teri Lopez	LC Solid Waste Administrative Assist.
Attendance recorded for members.				
P=Present; EA=Excused Absence; UA=Unexcused Absence				

3. **VERIFICATION OF QUORUM:** A quorum was present with six (6) of the eight members in attendance. RCW 70A.205.110 requires a minimum of 9 members. The committee is aware of the membership requirements, and is working on member recruitment.
4. **PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:** August 10, 2022 meeting minutes approved by motion. Motioned by Tom Rupert and seconded by Robert Spahr. Motion Carried.
5. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.
6. **SWAC MEMBERS:**
 - Bob Spahr became an official member by Resolution on September 6, 2022.
 - Additional member(s) needed to reach the minimum requirement of nine.
7. **BUSINESS AGENDA:**
 - A. **Review Action Items:** Completed action items will remain on the table for the next month's meeting minutes before removal. Date in "Comments/Resolution" section indicates when last update occurred.

Action Item #	Task Description	Responsible Person	Comments/Resolution
081121-A	Lewis County Comprehensive Solid and Hazardous Waste Management Plan	Solid Waste Staff	Preparing an RFP to hire a consultant to finish the plan.

B. Reports/Updates:

- SWAC – Terry Harris, Chair – No new information.
- LeMay/Waste Connections – Tom Rupert, Waste Connections.
 - New composting facility in the permitting process.
- Department of Ecology – Laura Busby, Grants and Planning
 - Presented a power point. SWAC Hot Topics.
 - Emailed after meeting to SWAC Committee for future reference.
 - Presentation saved with meeting minutes and is available upon request.
- Code Enforcement – Brian Warren.
 - 250 open code violation cases of which 75% are solid waste related.
 - 2 main cases coming up for county court ordered abatement, Eckerson Rd and a Chehalis UGA property on Rosemary Dr.
 - Josh Metcalf asked if Brian plans to approach the board about moving money for abatement.
 - Rocky mentioned that Solid Waste Code updates are in the works. The updates were previously presented to Brian. Part of the funds SW pays to Code is for the updating and enforcing of the Solid Waste Code. Further discussions are needed.
- Lewis County Solid Waste – Utility Staff – Rocky Lyon, SW Manager
 - Community Litter Program Report – August.
 - Litter program coordinator cleaned up 13 illegal dumpsites removing 4,020 pounds of garbage, 41 tires and 2 refrigerators.
 - The contracted roadside litter crew spent 80 hours cleaning 56.5 miles removing 3,680 pounds of litter.
 - Volunteers in Centralia and throughout Lewis County spent 97.5 hours removing 93 bags of litter.
 - Transfer Station Tonnage – August.
 - Combined CTS and ELCTS monthly tonnage was 8,965.
 - YTD total tonnage was 70,441 which is 81% of estimated tonnage of 87,000.
 - Proposed Curbside Recycling Program in East Lewis County – update provided by Melanie Case.
 - Public Hearing scheduled for November 29, 2022.
 - Solid Waste 2023 Budget Presentation
 - Budget subcommittee members Terry Harris, Tom Rupert and Jason Adams met and reviewed the 2023 Solid Waste Budget on 09/29/22. Subcommittee gave their approval.
 - Rocky presented the budget which is saved with meeting minutes and is available upon request.

8. **NEXT MEETING AGENDA ITEMS:** 2023 Budget Presentation.

9. **NEXT MEETING:** December 14, 2022 from 1pm – 3pm

10. **ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 2:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Teri Lopez,
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