

Lewis County Solid Waste Advisory Committee – Minutes

Wednesday, November 10, 2021 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 1:02 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL:** *Members in attendance.*

Member Name	Representation	Attendance	Non- Member Name	Representation
Terry Harris	SWAC Chairman	P	Olivia Carros	Department of Ecology (Zoom)
Bob Taylor	SWAC Co-Chairman	P	Bill Teitzel	LC Public Health & Social Serv (Zoom)
Jason Adams	WSU Extension/ Agriculture	P (Zoom)	Rocky Lyon	LCSW Utility, Manager
Don Bradshaw	Citizen/Winlock	UA	Teri Lopez	LCSW Utility, Admin Assistant
Peppy Elizaga	Business/Hampton Lumber	P (Zoom)		
Eddie Lewis	Waste Management Industry	P (Zoom)		
Jerry Lord	Chehalis Councilperson	UA		
Tom Rupert	Waste Management Industry	P		
Max Vogt	Centralia Mayor	UA		
Samantha Winkle	Waste Management Industry	P (Zoom)		
Attendance recorded for members. P=Present; EA=Excused Absence; UA=Unexcused Absence				

3. **VERIFICATION OF QUORUM:** A quorum was present with seven (7) of the ten members in attendance.
4. **PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:** October 13, 2021 meeting minutes approved by motion. Motioned by Bob Taylor and seconded by Tom Rupert. Motion Carried.
5. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None
6. **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
071421-A	<i>Review Proposed Revisions to the Solid Waste Code</i>	<i>Code Enforcement</i>	<i>Rocky provided an update on 11/10/2021. Bill Teitzel, Rocky Lyon, Melanie Case and Eric Eisenberg had a phone meeting on 11/08/2021 to discuss the specific changes to be made to portion of the code pertaining to Solid Waste.</i>
081121-A	<i>Lewis County Comprehensive Solid and Hazardous Waste Management Plan</i>	<i>Solid Waste Staff</i>	<i>Rocky gave a detailed update on 11/10/2021. Melanie Case will continue to dedicate her time to getting this completed by year end.</i>
090821-A	<i>Proposed Rate Increases</i>	<i>Solid Waste Staff</i>	<i>Notice of Public Hearing held on 10/25/2021. Resolution for rate increases approved. Increases to take effect 02/01/2022. Rocky provided an update 11/10/2021.</i>

B. Reports/Updates:

- SWAC – Terry Harris, Chair – No new information.
- LeMay/Waste Connections – Tom Rupert, District Manager – No new information.
- Department of Ecology – Olivia Carros – No new information.
- Code Enforcement – Bill Teitzel
 - Stericycle has submitted a modification to the Solid Waste Permit for their Morton facility to keep in line with Department of Ecology requirements.
 - Rodent complaints have been received from the Windsor part of Centralia indicating the problem is where trash is loaded onto railcars for transport. Bill does not believe the problem is related but wanted to inform the group of the complaints received.
- Lewis County Solid Waste – Utility Staff – Rocky Lyon, SW Manager
 - Rocky Lyon, SW Manager (on behalf of Melanie Case, SW Recycling Coordinator) gave an update on the Recycling Events held this calendar year in place of the voucher program. The presented slide show is being made a part of these minutes.
 - Community Litter Program Report – In September, the Litter program coordinator cleaned up 12 illegal dumpsites with 4,300 pounds of garbage, 1 appliance, 1 refrigerated appliance and 23 tires removed. New clean-up sites: Centralia Alpha Rd at milepost 11.5, Buckthorn Rd at milepost 1.5 and Blanchard Rd at milepost .5. Twelve volunteers spent 36 hours picking up 19 bags of litter.
 - Transfer Station Tonnages – Total tonnage for September was 8,956, which was 15% higher than the previous year. Customer count for September was 13,794, which is 4% higher than the previous year.
 - Rate Increases – steps to take
 - Notification letters sent to Waste Connections and Community Waste and Recycling
 - Updating brochures, signage, flyers and webpage
 - Preparing radio ads and newspaper publications

7. **NEXT MEETING AGENDA ITEMS:** None suggested

8. **NEXT MEETING:** December 8, 2021, from 1:00 – 3:00pm

9. **ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 1:50pm

Respectfully submitted,

Teri Lopez,
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Lewis County Solid Waste