

**Spokane County
Solid Waste Advisory Committee**

**Minutes
January 15, 2020**

Members Present

Josh Kerns, Spokane County
Philip Small, Ag Interest
Shaun Culler, City of Millwood
Kim Kreber, CAL District #1
Bruce Williams for Mike LaScuola, Health District
Tonilee Hanson, Public Interest
Suzanne Tresko, CAL #3

Members Absent

Andy Hoye, CAL District #2
Rebecca Johnson, City of Spangle
Don Stevens, City of Deer Park
Kevin Anderson, City of Airway Hts
Matthew Pederson, Waste Industry
Erik Makinson, Recycling Industry

Vacant Positions

Business
City of Spokane

Approval of Minutes – November 13, 2019- Chair Suzanne Tresko

All members moved to approve minutes from the November meeting with the correction of removing Josh Kerns from the Members Present list.

Chair and Vice Chair Elections- Chair Suzanne Tresko

Suzanne Tresko was re-elected as the Chair and Shaun Culler has been elected to serve as Vice Chair for 2020.

Solid Waste Management Plan- Deb Geiger

Deb informed SWAC that Great West Engineering was selected as the contractor to facilitate the comp plan update. To use time wisely, a subcommittee was formed to assist in guiding the vision of the updated plan. The subcommittee was informed that an estimated 25 hours of time will be needed between now and May to meet certain milestones to complete the plan on time.

Other Business-Chair Suzanne Tesko

SWAC Bylaws: Suzanne stated in the past it has been mentioned a need to update the SWAC Bylaws. Currently, the quorum is written as 50 percent of the appointed members. The option was raised to change the bylaws to a set number of members rather than a percentage. Although member jurisdictions are encouraged to have an appointed member on the SWAC, it was noted that most of them do not currently have one, therefore, they would not be counted in the overall total. Suzanne requested that County staff reach out to the small cities and towns to see if they have a newly appointed member.

Also discussed was the option for members to send a proxy in their place if they are unable to attend and if the proxy would have the power to vote on motions. The consensus was yes, if an alternate is in attendance, their vote is counted.

Lastly, a motion was made and passed to amend the Bylaws to include phone and web conferencing as an option for members that cannot attend a meeting in person.

Legislative Update: Steve Wulf, Chair of WSRA committee shared information about bills that are moving in the house:

SB5323 Plastic bag ban-passed senate, moved on to the house
HB2360 Sharps product stewardship-puts responsibility back on manufactures
HB2496 Product stewardship for batteries
HB1632 Reduce pollution from single use food service wear
SB6213 Ban on polystyrene in food service by 2022-ok for raw meats until 2025
HB2565 Labeling of disposable wipe products (labeled as flushable, but they are not)

Vacant Business Position:

Deb stated the County received an application for the vacant business position and has sent it on to the Board of County Commissioners for review.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:10pm.