



Solid Waste Advisory Committee Meeting

** Zoom Meeting **

August 11, 2022, 1-3pm

Attending (bold, regular font is absent)

Troy Lautenbach, San Juan Transfer Station; Pete Moe, Orcas Recycling Services; **David Zapalac, Lopez Solid Waste Disposal District;** Logan Luft, **San Juan Sanitation;** Kathy Morris, **Orcas Resident Member;** Rick Winnings, San Juan Resident; **Rick Carr, Lopez Resident;** Jared Lovejoy, **Business at Large;** Steve Hushebeck, **Town of Friday Harbor;** Christine Minney, **Council Member;** Paul Andersson, **Agriculture Member;** Aaron Rock, **Business at Large;** Diana Wadley, **WA Dept of Ecology;** Katie Fleming, **San Juan County;** Kendra Smith, San Juan County; and six public attendees. **Recorder: Robin Alsdurf**

Action Minutes:

Topic	Key Discussion Points and Agreements	Actions and Next Steps
Call to Order	The meeting was called to order by acting chair Troy Lautenbach, at 1:03 pm. Introduction of all present members. May 12th SWAC meeting action minutes moved to a vote to approve by David Zapalac, seconded by Aaron Rock. Minutes voted to approve by all members present. New Solid Waste intern introduced: Ayla Ridwan. Compost survey introduced- 170 responses, positive discussion around survey.	Minutes approved
Routine	Grants update: Katie shared updates on the compost feasibility study, hoping to start work in Sept.; composting at the Fair with Skagit Soils; LSWFA contract for Remakery; Lopez Facility Master Plan- contract w/Wilson Engineering to expand; Recycling Improvement piece- campsites similar to Fair. State SWAC update: Troy touched on the Methane Bill; HB1799 doesn't have too many updates- details to be worked out how it will affect San Juan County. Transfer Station updates: OI- baler building approved; LI- looking into options for better traffic	All Informational

	management; SJI- increased signage, large volume of material lately because of Skagit's closure.	
Continuing Topics	Waste Tire Update: Grant round in Oct., still on the radar, collecting info/data. Fall GICU: Set for Sept. 24th, Brewery meeting tomorrow, all islands moving forward w/planning, the 24th is also Public Lands Day. HHW Event Summary: No totals from Clean Harbor yet, PaintCare has been operating year-round; LI-2/3rd of normal amounts, smooth event in spring. Recology Tour Debrief: Materials recycling in South Seattle- Christine: impressed, pleasant and informative, efficient on floor, shocked by contamination; Logan: surprised by contamination; Kathy: move towards sort separating; Troy: pilot study on single stream vs multi-stream; Katie: compost and glass, two things in our wheelhouse. SW Plan: Discussion of process: draft plan, prelim. out for public review, 120-day review by Ecology/45 days of Agricultural review, reflect and edit final draft, adopted locally then sent to Ecology; the approval can take 2 years. Town Plan is still in fold with County, they may need to update their own. Discussion of general first touch: all decided that education compliance is to be prioritized. Topics touched on include laws in current plan that may need to be updated, single-use plastics, getting information out to business owners, and the idea of starting a subcommittee. Chapter 3 on composting goals is well written, Paul said most of the content is still accurate and he's hoping for a light touch approach. Question was raised to contract a consultant, Diana said there is a list, but it gets pricey. Katie said she's willing to do the work, but a subcommittee is necessary.	Informational Subcommittee is established, Katie will work on mtg details.
New Topics	First two new topics were covered by Katie earlier in the meeting (serviceware law outreach and composting at the SJC Fair).	Informational – All;

	As far as new business: Paul started off a conversation about impact bio energy, anaerobic digestion and is interested in including this in future conversations; Kathy brought up questions of programs for waste disposal for low-income families- it was shared that each island has programs through the Family Resource Centers, County resources and Orcas Angels, but Logan believes the need is there and growing- Katie says it directly relates to the Health Dept; Troy recommends reaching out to Skagit to see what their protocol is for their program.	Katie will reach out to Kyle Dodd- to discuss next scheduled meeting.
Closing	Public Comments: Bill Appel shared ideas about composting- recommended treating it like a start-up; lithium battery plans, maybe have a drop at the Fair. Mike and Roxie Webb brought their concerns about the location of the Lopez Transfer Station. They own the surrounding property and pointed out that the fence doesn't keep the noise down, there is glass crushing all day long; they are concerned about the expansion and about water contamination.	
Adjournment	Meeting was adjourned at 2:55	Adjourned