

DEL NORTE SOLID WASTE TASK FORCE

Minutes

Thursday, January 10, 2013

Temporary Venue change: Lighthouse Inn, 681 Hwy 101, Crescent City, CA

Present: Mary Wilson, Chair
Karen Sanders
Wes Nunn
Pat Black
Andrew Larson
Ralph Dickey
Richard Miles
Brad Cass
Joel Wallen
Absent: Ray Martell
Dave Mason

Also Present: Kevin Hendrick, DNSWMA Director
Tedd Ward, DNSWMA Program Manager
Roger Gitlin, Del Norte County Supervisor

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Chair Wilson called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM with all parties present as indicated above.
2. Discussion and possible action regarding LTF meeting minutes of 12-6-12. Karen Sanders moved to approve and Pat Black seconded the motion. The minutes were approved on a unanimous voice vote.
3. Public comments. The Chair called for public comments at 5:34 PM. Hearing none, the Chair moved onto other topics.
4. Presentation by Kevin Hendrick, Director of Solid Waste Authority, regarding duties and responsibilities of Director's position. Director Hendrick verbally responded to the questions e-mailed from Chair Wilson. Discussion followed.

Dave Mason arrived at 5:41 PM

Supervisor Roger Gitlin addressed the Task Force.

5. Discussion and possible action regarding setting the 2013 agendas for the Del Norte Solid Waste Task Force. Chair Wilson said the DNSWTF will review the most recent annual report in preparation for the required five year review.

Pat Black is interested in promoting and expanding reducing, reusing, and recycling. Richard Miles wants more emphasis on community education and outreach, and suggested that Rays and Shop Smart be given a green ribbon award for eliminating plastic bags in their stores. Andy Larson suggested that the Task Force members could help with outreach and possibly fundraising. Dave Mason suggested that there is definitely a need for education on how cheap disposal costs are compared to illegal dumping. Joel Wallen suggested that the task force could help get the word out on the websites for Recology, the Authority, and the Task Force. Richard Miles is interested in asking the Authority if the Task Force should investigate the potential for privatization, though he said he did not think it would be a good idea. Supervisor Gitlin suggested that the three or four selected goals be more focused. Wes Nunn suggested that the Task Force ask the Authority to review and approve the goals.

Roger Gitlin left at 6:55 PM

Mary Wilson suggested vouchers for disposal on properties that were dumped on. Director Hendrick explained that on a limited, informal basis, the Director does approve such cleanup expenses already. Discussion followed.

6. Discussion and possible action involving LTF completion of recommendations to City of Crescent City and Del Norte County on DNSWMA Ordinances 2008-01, 02, and 03. Dave Mason said that because the County Ordinance reference State Title 14, in his opinion, there is not need for further definitions, as they are already in the State Code, for storage and adequate service. The State Code regarding collections and making sure that materials get to the right place (affirmative responsibility) is less clear. Discussion followed.

Ralph Dickie moved and Wes Nunn seconded that the Task Force recommend that City Council and County Board of Supervisors direct the City and County Code Enforcement Officers to meet to discuss the Authority's ordinances and their respective City and County nuisance ordinances to identify the 'good' and 'bad' elements of these ordinances as they relate to solid waste and recycling, and that the Task Force receive the results of this meeting. Discussion followed. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

7. Chair Wilson adjourned the motion at 7:39 PM

Respectfully submitted

Tedd Ward, Program Manager
Del Norte Solid Waste Management Authority