

Meeting Minutes
Ramsey County Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC)
April 18, 2017
5:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Program Information:

Ramsey County Master Planning updates: www.ramseyrecycles.com/masterplan

Meeting location:

Ramsey County Environmental Health, 2785 White Bear Avenue, Suite 350, Maplewood, MN 55109

Members Present:

Jon Ekeroth, Romack Franklin, Sabine Fritz, Paul Gardner, Laura Horner, Chris Hove, Chuck Joswaik, Kim Labo, Caroline McFadden, Lori Olinger, Erin Pavilca, Tim Pratt, Peder Sandhei, Paul Slattery, Chris Swanson, Todd Tanner, Andre Xiong, Elizabeth Zelanga

Ramsey County Environmental Health Staff:

Kate Bartelt, Rae Eden Frank, Kim Lazarski, Zack Hansen, Mary Elizabeth Berglund

Other Ramsey County Staff:

Jessica Paquin, Anna Buckley, Liz Dillon

Members Absent:

Anne Hunt, Julie Ketchum, Ryan O’Gara, Regina Rippel, Robert Stewart, Mark Stoltman, George Walter

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm.

Agenda item:	Speaker/Discussion:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome • Purpose and expectations of the Committee • Introductions 	<p>Rae Eden Frank welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guidelines for group communication 	<p>Mary Elizabeth Berglund introduced the guidelines for group communication. The guidelines are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Everyone gets to have a say • Every point of view is okay • We will not be making decisions, we are not seeking consensus, we are seeking input! • Questions are welcome • Define acronyms • One speaker at a time so we can keep a record of what is said

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Orientation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Solid Waste System – what is it? 	<p>Zack Hansen gave a presentation and handout of the Ramsey County Solid Waste System. The Master Plan can be found at: www.ramseyrecycles.com/masterplan</p> <p>Questions asked by members after Hansen’s presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 75% recycling rate, is it possible to achieve? • What is the variety if solid waste taxing systems between counties?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ MPCA’s Policy Plan guidance ○ Solid Waste Master Planning Process ○ Timeline ○ Current county policy direction on waste and resource management ○ Three focus areas ○ Equity and environmental justice 	<p>Kate Bartelt gave a presentation and handout of Master Plan specifics, timeline and areas of focus for this next 6-year planning process.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surveys/Engagement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Questions? 	<p>R. Frank discussed the surveys that will be sent out to members both before and after the meetings. We would like to get your understanding of the topic before we meet and then follow up to see if your opinion or understanding changed after the presentation and discussion.</p> <p>Links to a Survey Monkey will be sent 1 week prior to the scheduled meeting.</p> <p>R. Frank discuss the Compensation Request Procedure for SWAC members. Each member may be paid \$5.00 per meeting & will need to fill out a Ramsey County Claim form and a W-9 to get paid. Forms can be left in person or emailed to: rachel.frank@co.ramsey.mn.us</p>

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Minutes taken by: Kim Lazarski

Up-coming meetings:

May 2, 2017 - 5:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Meeting topic: Food Waste Reduction & Organics

May 16, 2017 - 5:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Meeting topic: Reduction & Reuse

May 30, 2017 - 5:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Meeting topic: Construction & Demolition

Location: Ramsey County Environmental Health, 2785 White Bear Avenue, Suite 350, Maplewood, MN 55109

Dinner will be provided.

{Minutes of the April 18, 2017 Solid Waste Advisory Committee will be approved at the May 2, 2017 meeting}