

**Hendricks County Solid Waste Management District**

**December 16, 2008**

The Hendricks County Solid Waste Management District met at 7:00 p.m. on December 16, 2008 at the Plainfield Recreation and Aquatic Center.

President Hursel Disney opened the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken and members in attendance were:

Hursel Disney	Phyllis Palmer	William Guarnery
Eric Wathen	Nancy Johnson	David Whicker
Ed Gaddie	Beverley Austin	

Others in attendance were:

Mr.& Mrs. Lenn Detwiler	Mr. Dan Devlin
Mr.& Mrs. Eric Siefertman	Mrs. Katie Archer
Mr.& Mrs. Allan Knoll	Mr. Tom Featheringill
Mr.& Mrs. Lewis Sullivan	Ms. Lisa Disbrow
Mr. Barry Ledbetter	Mr. Calvin Davidson
Mr.& Mrs. Jeff Healy	Mr.& Mrs. Doug Morris
Mrs. Pat Gaddie	Mr. Fred Palmer
Mr. Harold Austin	Ms. Nancy Ahrbecker

**Approval of Agenda**

Mr. Whicker moved to approve the Agenda as presented. Mr. Wathen seconded the motion and the motion passed 8-0-0.

**Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Guarnery moved to approve the minutes for the November 18, 2008 meeting as presented. Mrs. Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved 8-0-0.

### **Outreach Coordinator's Report**

Mrs. Sieferman began her report by sharing that all of the participants involved in the Big GREEN Give indicated the event was a success and wanted to return next year. Some of them were also willing to serve on a committee to help organize it in the future. She said the District would like to plan to hold it again next year.

### **Youth Educator's Report**

Mrs. Archer started her report by bringing the Board's attention to a handout she provided which highlighted the number of students that received youth education programs presented by the District in 2008. She explained that fewer students were seen last winter and spring as Mrs. Sieferman was splitting her time between adult and youth outreach and as Mrs. Archer was being hired and trained. She did remind the Board that she was able to present programs during June and July at some daycares and summer camps; something new for the District. She noted that the District was able to reach 9,704 children in 2008; more students than received programs in 2007. She concluded by highlighting the fact that over 1,900 more students received programs during the fall of 2008 than during the fall of 2007.

### **Director's Report**

Mr. Detwiler began with a presentation that reviewed the past year and laid out some of the District's future plans. He opened by stating the amount of revenue generated by the District's Yard Waste Recycling Centers exceeded all previous years. He also noted that the amount of recyclables collected at the District's Recycling Drop-off Centers continued to climb in 2008 despite the increasing availability of alternative recycling programs in the community. He noted that the increase indicates more households are recycling than ever before. He reported that participation in the Tox-Away Days grew in 2008 as well. He indicated that he believes growth will continue in 2009. He said the two Pharmaceutical Collections held in 2008 were a success, with nearly 100 gallons of unwanted medicines collected and safely disposed of. He also

highlighted the fact that six local schools were awarded grants to begin or expand recycling programs. In addition, over \$33,000 was awarded to local organizations through the District's Community Grants Program.

Next, Mr. Detwiler reminded the Board that the District's "Guide to Being Green" was updated in the spring. The updated guide was inserted in the Hendricks County Flyer and distributed throughout the county. He also reported that the District's website had been extensively overhauled making it much more user-friendly. The website was re-launched in September.

Mr. Detwiler then highlighted changes in personnel by noting that Katie Archer was brought on as the District's Youth Education Coordinator in March, three new Yard Waste Recycling Attendants were hired over the course of the season and Patty Knoll became the District's Administrative Assistant in September.

Many Outreach activities were provided, including the Be Green! Fest, the Halloween Costume Exchange and the Big GREEN Give.

Regarding the future, Mr. Detwiler said plans were to improve the Yard Waste Recycling Centers and relocate the District's office to a much needed larger space. He said several ideas for future Outreach were: a Reuse-A-Shoe Program, Hendricks County Earth Day Festival, a quarterly newsletter, sharps collection program, and a renewed focus to provide more presentations to local civic organizations.

## **Financial Report**

### **Financial Facts Summary**

Mr. Detwiler opened his remarks on the Financial Facts Summary by noting that a \$100,000 CD was purchased on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. He added that a CD held by the Hendricks County Special Projects Fund matured the day after Thanksgiving and was reinvested on December 2<sup>nd</sup> as well. He noted that the addition of both investments would be reflected on the Financial Fact Summary for December. He then highlighted the fact that the District's total expenditures for 2008 would come in within the budgeted amount for the year.

### Income Chart

Next, Mr. Detwiler reported that the Final Disposal Fee Income for the month of November was less than years prior; not an unexpected result of the slow economy. He did reiterate that the amount of Yard Waste Recycling Center Income for 2008 was the most the District had realized so far.

### Budget Transfer Request

Mr. Detwiler then presented a budget transfer request that would increase the amount of money in the Health Insurance line item by \$250.00 to cover the additional expense of insuring another employee. The transfer would reduce the amount of money in Marketing and Promotion line item by \$250.00. Mrs. Johnson moved to accept the request, and Mr. Wathen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0-0.

### Claims Register

Next, Mr. Detwiler presented the Register of Claims as of December 16, 2008 in the amount of \$139,530.73. He pointed out that the largest expenditure on the register was the CD purchased from Huntington Bank for \$100,000. After a brief discussion, Mrs. Johnson moved to accept the claims as presented. Mr. Wathen seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved 8-0-0.

Mr. Detwiler then requested permission to pay any remaining December claims as he works to close out the year. Mr. Guarnerly moved to accept the request, and Mr. Gaddie seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved 8-0-0.

Mr. Detwiler also noted that Board members and Citizens' Advisory Committee members could submit mileage reimbursement requests for miles driven attending meetings. Mrs. Palmer asked to have the Mileage Reimbursement form provided for 2009.

## **New Business**

As Mr. Disney would be retiring from the Board, Mr. Detwiler warmly thanked Mr. Disney for his service on behalf of the District and presented Mr. Disney with an award produced from recycled glass and engraved with the following words:

### **HURSEL C. DISNEY**

**This award recognizes your many  
years of remarkable service  
and outstanding commitment  
to the success of the  
Hendricks County  
Solid Waste Management District**

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Mr. Disney thanked Mr. Detwiler for his remarks and for the award. He went on to say that in his opinion, Hendricks County had some of the finest people serving as officials that could be found anywhere in government service.

## **Adjournment**

Mrs. Palmer moved to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. Mr. Wathen seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved 8-0-0.

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Hursel C. Disney, President