

Miami County Solid Waste District
Minutes for the June 18, 2007 Meeting

Attendance: Greg Deeds, Craig Boyer, Shirley Mull, Lance Gallahan, Gary Hawley, Dale Wortinger, David Grund, John Haines, Samantha Ward. Absent: Jim Walker.

At 8:08 A.M. the meeting was called to order by Greg Deeds.

The minutes of the May 21, 2007 meeting were read. Lance Gallahan motioned to approve the minutes as is; Shirley Mull seconded, motion passed.

The June 2007 financial statement was presented. Chesapeake Electronics had a count of 34 televisions in the last pick up, charged to us at \$15.00 each. R&B Contractor did not turn a bill in for the month, so their total was unavailable. Our office had to reimburse IDEM for a portion of our Household Hazardous Waste grant in the amount of \$1815.12. Included in the original grant was a purchase of equipment to lift 55 gallon barrels. We were able to lift the barrels using carts and the liftgate on PCI's truck, so the equipment was not purchased. The CD that came due was cashed in with no penalty. In order to have enough money in the account to cover expenses, we will have to cash in at least one CD and take the penalty. Lance Gallahan motioned to approve the financial statement, Shirley Mull seconded, motion passed.

John noted changes to the Household Hazardous Waste program in the handling of mercury. The state has changed the regulations, and all districts are supposed to take items containing mercury to the regional Mercury Hub. The hub for our county is located in Kokomo. The state has a grant that will cover 75% of the handling and disposal. The hub provides the packaging for transportation. We would need to drive to Kokomo, pick up packaging, pack the items, and then transport them back to Kokomo. John suggested a way to save some money on the HHW bill would be for us to collect car batteries all year and store them on a pallet in the building. Then, we could turn them in at Levin's and not have the disposal cost on our bill. The state grant we receive is a 50-50 match program.

The booth for the 4-H fair is larger this year. We have a new table cover that is very noticeable. This year we are focusing on plastic recycling. We will have a drawing for 2 hand chairs, a tote bag, teddy bear and birdfeeder all made from recycled plastic. There will be 2 suncatchers made from recycled glass. The Earthwise Company in Converse has made and donated a birdhouse for us to give away.

Ed Weidner d/b/a The Helping Hand presented a letter stating that he is in need of a larger truck to aid in picking up the materials at the county drop off sites more efficiently. He asked the board for a 3-5 year contract in order for him to be able to secure a loan to buy the larger truck. David Grund stated that in order to change the contract length, we would have to re-bid the contract and open the bidding up to the public. David Grund said the board could provide a letter to the bank stating Mr. Weidner is eligible to renew the contract yearly. Our office could write a letter of recommendation, explain why we can't give an extended contract, and include a copy of the minutes of the meeting. Craig Boyer motioned that our office write a letter of recommendation for Mr. Weidner, Shirley Mull seconded, motion passed.

Craig Boyer motioned to adjourn 8:37 AM, Shirley Mull seconded, motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,