

Summary of Meeting
Howard County Recycling Committee
Keller Bldg. Conference Room, 600 W. Morrison, Fayette, MO
“Open Meeting”
Thursday, February 25, 2010 3:00 p.m.

Attendees:

Pat Cunningham, New Franklin
Kelley Hill, Fayette (for Robin Overstreet, Fayette)
Cindy Jolly, Mid-MO Solid Waste Management District (MMSWMD)
R. G. Kirby, Central Methodist University
Howard McMillan, Howard County Commission
Debra Miller, Endless Options
Mark Stone, Central Methodist University
Jamie Wilhoit, Endless Options

Pat Cunningham welcomed attendees and opened the meeting with introductions. She asked for approval of agenda and received unanimous approval of agenda.

Debra Miller and Mark Stone provided an update on the Recyclemania contest at Central Methodist University. Only 10 pounds of cans have been collected to date; however, a campaign push for the final four weeks of the contest is underway.

Debra Miller and Cindy Jolly are planning special event recycling for the Howard County Fair scheduled for the first week of July 2010 and for Santa Fe Trail Days scheduled for September 19/20, 2010 in New Franklin. Ms. Jolly will reserve recycling receptacles from the City of Columbia to be placed at these events; Ms. Miller will arrange for the collection of recyclable materials. Contact with the planning committees for these events need to be made.

Ms. Jolly advised a one-day household hazardous waste collection event for Howard County has been added to the MMSWMD FY 2011 budget. This budget will be presented to the MMSWMD Council on May 12, 2010 for adoption. If approved, she will work with Commissioner McMillan to finalize details/location for the event. Both the City of Fulton and Cole County/City of Jefferson applied for grant funding for HHW facilities and received MMSWMD Executive Board approval. These facilities will serve as a model for future facilities as well as the City of Mexico. The Howard County HHW facility is being discussed in conjunction with the Howard County Recycling Center.

Locations, funding, and potential partnerships for acquiring a location/facility for the proposed Howard County Recycle Center were discussed. Ms. Jolly advised that the MMSWMD Executive Board had approved funding for recycling containers to be placed in New Franklin, Fayette and Glasgow. This application was sent to MDNR for the final step in the approval process. If approved, projected project start date is April 1st.

Mr. Kirby discussed current recycling efforts at Central Methodist and challenges for their program, specifically contamination, littering and dumping issues near the containers. Paper bins are always full; Boonslick Industries recently added a larger bin. There is a need for education on campus as well as public education for current/future recycling opportunities in Howard County. Education is the key for recycling success.

Partnerships between the county, cities, campuses, businesses and Endless Options are a consideration, especially for the Recycling Center and HHW facility.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 25, 2010, at 3:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 4:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Jolly
MMSWMD Manager