

SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, September 15, 2022 10:00 AM

Central Texas Council of Governments (CTCOG) 2180 North Main Street Belton, TX 76513

Solid Waste Advisory Committee Voting Members Present

Chair Bill Parry — City of Gatesville
Vice Chair Duane Herrera — Bell County
Second Vice Chair Zoe Rascoe — Citizen Rep
Marcie Seele — City of Belton
Noel Watson — City of Copperas Cove
Mark Hyde — City of Harker Heights
Bill Gould — City of Killeen*

Justin Brantley – City of Temple
Commissioner Johnny Wagner – Hamilton County
Commissioner Henry Hubnik – Milam County
Scott Edmonson – San Saba County
Paul Daugereau – Industry Representative
John Trigg – Private Business Representative*

Additional Attendees

Brian O'Connor – City of Nolanville Kara Escajeda – City of Nolanville Rodney Craddick – City of Hamilton Ryan Polster – City of Hamilton Gary Smith – City of Troy Sarah Barber – Clean Earth* James McGill – CTCOG Connie Quinto – CTCOG Hope Geiger – CTCOG Anita Janke – CTCOG Dominic Elizondo – CTCOG Jeannie Skarosi – CTCOG Kolin Yancey – CTCOG

1. Call to Order: Bill Parry called the meeting to order at 10:01 am.

2. Public Comments: No comments were made by the public.

3. Staff Update: RSWMP Update; Other Updates; Air Quality.

James McGill provided the committee an update on the Regional Solid Waste Management Plan (RSWMP) approval process. Mr. McGill summarized the timeline of actions from the submittal of the RSWMP in November 2021 through TCEQ preliminary approval on March 29th, 2022. Mr. McGill explained that TCEQ recently notified all of the COGs that to officially adopt the new RSWMPs they have to change the Texas Administrative Code rules which can take up to 12 months. Mr. McGill noted that staff will continue to keep the SWAC updated on the approval process. Mr. McGill shared links to NCTCOG/HGAC's Trash Free Waters Project, the Texas Litter Database, and the RENEW program. Mr. McGill also informed SWAC of TCEQ's Take

^{*}Denotes online attendee

Care of Texas Video Contest for middle and high school students in Texas. Air Quality for the month of August was 70 ppb at the Temple station and 71 ppb at the Killeen station.

4. Action Item: Approval of the April 14, 2022 meeting minutes.

Paul Daugereau made a motion to approve the April 14, 2022 meeting minutes, seconded by Duane Herrera; the motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion Item: Regarding update on FY22 HHW Events.

James McGill provided an update on the survey results from the Milam County and Killeen HHW events. Duane Herrera updated the SWAC on the results of the Bell County Tire Event held at the end of April.

6. Discussion and Action Item: Regarding SWAC Chair election for FY23.

Chair Bill Parry explained that he is planning to retire as City Manager of Gatesville before the next SWAC meeting and will not be able to finish out his term as Chair. Mr. Parry stated that staff is recommending holding elections now for someone else to finish out his term and chair the FY23 SWAC meetings.

Zoe Rascoe suggested Justin Brantley to serve as SWAC Chair for FY23. Several SWAC members supported this suggestion, and no one objected to it.

Zoe Rascoe made a motion to nominate Justin Brantley as SWAC Chair for FY23; seconded by Mark Hyde; the motion passed unanimously.

7. Discussion and Action Item: Regarding Solid Waste accrued interest.

James McGill stated that CTCOG's implementation funds have earned interest over the course of the fiscal year and that the SWAC needs to decide how to use those funds. Mr. McGill and Bill Parry explained how the SWAC has historically utilized these funds by adding them into the pot of money for implementation events and projects. Mr. McGill noted that additional interest will likely accrue during the rest of the fiscal year and that staff is requesting this motion cover all interest earned during FY23 as well as the current leftover FY22 interest.

Commissioner Johnny Wagner made a motion to move all leftover FY22 earned interest and any accrued FY23 earned interest into the FY23 implementation budget, seconded by Duane Herrera; the motion passed unanimously.

8. Discussion and Action Item: Regarding Evaluating and Selecting HHW events for FY23.

Bill Parry summarized the HHW event selection process, who applied for funding in FY23, and how much funding is available for FY23 events. Gary Smith from Troy, Ryan Polster from Hamilton, Justin Brantley from Temple, Bill Gould from Killeen, and Duane Herrera from Bell County all provided comments on their applications and why they should be funded.

The SWAC discussed all of the applications and how to fund each amount. Various members asked Mr. Smith and Mr. Polster specific questions about their events and discussed how costs for events can be kept down. Mr. Herrera stated that in the future the SWAC will likely need to change how this process works and suggested that maybe the larger cities, Temple and Killeen alternate years. Mr. Parry and Zoe Rascoe suggested that future funding be heavily based on geography to spread access around. Kara Escajeda added that more tire events should be funded and less HHW events. At the end of discussion, the Committee decided to fund all events at a reduced amount as shown below. The group also selected dates for each event.

- City of Temple HHW Event \$12,000 (October 22, 2022)
- City of Hamilton HHW Event \$15,000 + all FY23 Earned Interest (February 25, 2023)
- Lampasas County HHW Event \$12,000 (March 18, 2023)
- Bell County Tire Event \$2,000 (April 14-15, 2023)
- City of Troy HHW Event \$12,000 (April 15, 2023)
- City of Killeen HHW Event \$12,000 (May 6, 2023)

Noel Watson made a motion to fund 6 FY23 HHW events in the amounts and dates listed above, seconded by Paul Daugereau; the motion passed unanimously.

9. Discussion Item: Regarding HHW Vendor contract renewal.

Bill Parry and James McGill provided a brief history of the current status of our HHW vendor contract and the discussion regarding that contract at the April SWAC meeting. Mr. McGill shared staff's desire for a new contract with Clean Earth that has updated item costs and is not associated with the former company Stericycle. Johnny Wagner and Justin Brantley agreed with staff's thoughts and requested a full itemized list of costs in the new contract. Mr. Parry requested that the auto renewal language be revised if possible.

10. Discussion Item: Regarding alternate use of Implementation funds for the FY24-25 biennium.

James McGill briefly explained how the CTCOG Solid Waste Grant budget is set up with Implementation and Coordination sides. Mr. McGill stated that the purpose of this item is for SWAC to discuss possible alternatives for how the Implementation funds can be used in future years. Mr. Parry clarified that expanding the list of options for Implementation funds does not require the SWAC to allocate funds in that matter, it only allows the option to spend funds in that matter if the group wishes.

11. Member Comments: No member comments.

12. Next Meeting: May 11, 2023

13. Adjourn: Meeting was adjourned at 11:34 a.m.

These meeting minutes were approved by the SWAC members at their meeting on February

ryan Nelson, CTCOG PR8 Director

Justin Brantley, SWAC Chair