

**GENESEE COUNTY SOLID WASTE  
MANAGEMENT PLANNING COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
JANUARY 19, 2012**

The Genesee County Solid Waste Management Planning Commission met at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 19, 2012, in the Conference Room of the Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission (GCMPC), 1101 Beach Street, Room 223, Flint, Michigan.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Paul Brake, City of Grand Blanc, City Manager  
Mike Csapo, RRASSOC, General Manager  
Fred Domine, Montrose Township, Clerk  
Rebecca Fedewa, Flint River Watershed Coalition  
Jason Gagne, Republic Waste Services - Hauling  
Dan Gudgel, Bren Run Landfill  
Julie Hinterman, GCMPC  
Jacky King, Harvesting Earth Educational Farm  
John Morrissey, Great Lakes Recycling  
Bernie Scibienski, Landaal Packaging Systems  
Bob Thornton, Citizen's Landfill

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Amy Freeman-Rosa, Enviroworld  
Patrick Gleason, Genesee County Commissioner  
Holly Lubowicki, Keep Genesee County Beautiful

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Derek Bradshaw, GCMPC  
Peggy Cole, GCMPC  
Ann Marie Kerby, GCMPC  
Nate Scramlin, GCMPC

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Bradshaw, acting as Chairperson of this meeting, called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. He added one item to the agenda: new item #IV Literature Review and Comment. This item is informational only.

**I. INTRODUCTIONS**

Introductions were done at this time. Members were present and absent as aforementioned.

**II. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one spoke at this time.

**III. MINUTES OF DECEMBER 14, 2011**

Mr. Bradshaw asked for any additions or corrections to the minutes of the December 15, 2011, regular meeting. There were no additions or corrections. Mr. Bradshaw asked for a motion concerning the minutes.

Action Taken: Motion by Mr. Morrissey, supported by Ms. Hinterman, to approve the minutes of the December 15, 2011 meeting, as written.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**IV. ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**Nominations for the Office of Chairperson:**

Recommendation of Election Subcommittee – Paul Brake. Mr. Bradshaw asked if there were any other nominations, three times. There were no other nominations. Nominations were closed. Mr. Brake was elected Chairperson by a unanimous vote.

**Nominations for the Office of Vice-Chairperson:**

Recommendation of Election Subcommittee – Bob Thornton. Mr. Bradshaw asked if there were any other nominations, three times. There were no other nominations. Nominations were closed. Mr. Thornton was elected Vice-Chairperson by a unanimous vote.

At this time, Mr. Bradshaw turned the meeting over to the newly elected Chairperson, Paul Brake.

**V. COMMITTEE BYLAWS**

Mr. Scramlin noted the one change that was made since the last meeting, which dealt with what constitutes a quorum. He said it had been decided that the members present, at any given meeting, constitutes a quorum and a majority of that quorum would be necessary to carry a motion. Discussion ensued.

Action Taken: Motion by Mr. Gudgel, supported by Mr. King, to approve the Committee Bylaws, as presented.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**VI. GENESEE COUNTY SOLID WASTE PUBLIC NEEDS ASSESSMENT**

Mr. Scramlin reviewed the Public Needs Assessment. He added that there will be incentives to fill out the needs assessment on Survey Monkey. Survey Monkey has been used successfully by staff and is an excellent tool. Mr. Bradshaw noted that staff will also be targeting the media on several fronts. Whatever changes are made today will be final, as this assessment needs to be disbursed quickly. Ms. Fedewa volunteered to help with distribution, if needed. There was discussion regarding the wording regarding cardboard. Ms. Hinterman suggested differentiating between plastic grocery bags and plastic. Discussion ensued.

Action Taken: Motion by Mr. Thornton, supported by Mr. Gagne, to approve the Genesee County Solid Waste Public Needs Assessment, as amended.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**VII. LITERATURE REVIEW AND COMMENT**

Mr. Scramlin noted that the literature had been distributed at the meeting prior to this one and staff is looking for any comments. The literature includes plans from other areas for BMPs (Best Management Practices). He stated that if there are other plans we should look at, let it be known as soon as possible. Mr. Scibienski stated that UpJohn has a dashboard program we could check out and perhaps combine all four (4) counties into one region. Consolidating has been looked at and dropped, but it will come up again. Discussion ensued.

**VIII. COUNTY OVERVIEW AND DATA COLLECTION**

Ms. Kerby summarized what will be on this report. Staff is requesting that the committee provide feedback on the plans for this particular report prior to the next meeting.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

Chairperson Brake adjourned the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Peggy Cole, Secretary