



Call to Order

Called to order by Joe Zimmerman at 6:06 p.m.

Attendance

SWAC Members Present:	Joe Zimmerman, Kyle Potter, Derek Ranta, Gabe Fauvelle, Candace Hanks, and Corey Troiani.
SWAC Members Absent:	Jason Presser, Kim Harless, Mike Mulligan, and Reuben Greer
Clark County Staff:	Kimberly Walker-Norton, Joelle Loescher, Sarah Keirns, Jess Fischberg, Tina Kendall, Amber McKnight, Pete Dubois, Amanda Zodrow, Tatum Flowers, Gerry Preston, Jeff Harbison, Hannah Pludow, Jamiee Searcy
Other Present:	Sammy Salgado (WC), Julie Gilbertson (COV), Christina Kullberg (ECY)

Approval of Minutes

	August 1, 2024, Meeting Minutes • Motion to approve – Kyle Potter • Seconded – Candace Hanks • Approved
Welcome new board member	• Introduction by Candace Hanks and Cory Troiani • Discussed the orientation packet and a January in-person orientation. • The board asked to have a refresher class on the purpose and expectations of SWAC members.

Program Updates

Finance	• Solid Waste Fund overview. • Discussed the grants section and other revenue sources. • The Clark County Solid Waste team will continue to expand the financial update with each SWAC meeting.
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Solid Waste Enforcement - Kimberly Walker-Norton	• Hannah Pludow and Jamiee Searcy are taking over the role of the Solid Waste Enforcement previously held by Melissa Sutton. • Q5 progress report was submitted. • Discussed the vape coalition to ban flavored nicotine vapes and the WA State Liquor and Cannabis board's petition to revise the admin rule for banning vape devices with lithium batteries
Solid Waste Operations - Joelle Loescher	• Executed the new CRC contract in September. • Working with the FCS group to work through a few financial projects. • Finalizing the 2025 work plan next month. • Training on the CRC contract for the February SWAC meeting. • Scope of work for the county waste characterization study sent to RSWSSC. We anticipate the contract to be in place and begin the work next year. • Scope of work for the North County Transfer Station Siting Study is being worked on. We will have another update for SWAC at the February meeting.
Solid Waste Education and Outreach - Sarah Keirns	• Discussed ○ Education and outreach material around food waste prevention and holidays. ○ Specific information about properly disposing of common holiday items like Christmas lights and wrapping paper. ○ CR workshop training series in session • Send SWAC the Ridwell information for disposing of campaign signs.
City of Vancouver - Julie Gilbertson	Litter Stewards (AmeriCorps) • Litter Stewards – volunteer training program info: www.cityofvancouver.us/government/departments/parks-recreation-and-cultural-services/volunteer-programs/litter-stewards/ • Upcoming Training: Tuesday, Nov. 26 5:30-6:30 pm at Vancouver Community Library 2024 City Neighborhood Cleanup season wrapped up • Cleanups are a benefit provided to active City of Vancouver neighborhood associations to aid neighborhoods and Vancouver's bulky item (garbage), scrap metal, and yard debris disposal on a scheduled Saturday March – late Oct/early Nov. • Staff have begun planning for 2025, and continue to promote year-round benefits

	Fall Leaves Coupons - Coupons are available for all residents of Vancouver and Clark Count on both paper and digital. 2024 City Neighborhood Cleanup - Update on the Saturday Cleanup Events. Staff have begun planning for 2025. Solid Waste development reviews - Update on development projects. - Staff is preparing to review the development code as part of the Comprehensive Plan update, work to start in 2025. 2025 Solid Waste Rates 2025 Rates Adopted: New rates eff. Jan 1, 2025. Vancouver's garbage rates will increase by 2.3-3.1%, and recycling/organics rates will increase by 2.3%. Rates were impacted by a 2.58% by CPI/fuel index and a 4.6% increase in disposal tip fee. A pass-through County recycling processing surcharge will adjust slightly in 2025 to: \$1.42/Single Family household/mo and Multifamily: \$0.66/unit/mo.
Waste Connections - Derek Ranta	- Finishing rates for the 2025 increase between 1-5 %. - The hauling side moved into the new building, adding about 40,000 office and shop space. - Maintaining a robust winter weather program to make sure customers are serviced and drivers are safe. Working with the county to communicate clearly with customers. - The transfer station tonnage is slowing down for the year. - New CRC contract, excited to have a new and relevant contract. - Bike build with Waste Connections – They are building a little over 700 bikes this year.
New Business	
Presentation by Waste Connections – Curbside Recycling	- Sort it out activity. - Discussion on where material goes within the state, country, etc. - Material guidelines.
Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan (CSWMP)	- CSWMP Drafts given to the two new SWAC members. - Discussed public comments and who gave them. - We are adding more content to the CSWMP. The updated plan will be brought to the February SWAC meeting.

CRC Contract	CRC consultant Parametrix is attending the February SWAC meeting to give an overview of the contract and answer questions.
Other Business	
Tour Requests 2025	Discussion about annual tours for the SWAC members. Dirt Hugger tours are typically done in late spring.
Bylaw review 2025	- Kyle Potter and Jason Presser to form a subcommittee and present potential changes at the February meeting. - Officer term in relation to a member term. - Consider adding a position for each city/town in Clark County.
Interest in the new meeting	Discussed alternate meeting space. The board decided to wait for the February meeting and talk to Jason Presser about his vision for a different meeting space.
Next Meeting	
February 6, 2024	
Adjournment	
Adjourned by Joe Zimmerman at 8:09 p.m.	