Mono County Solid Waste Task Force

Meeting of October 3, 2019
11:00a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Town/County Conference Room
Minaret Mall, Mammoth Lakes

MINUTES

1. Call to order.
   Meeting called to order at 11:06 a.m.

In attendance:
Justin Nalder – Mono County
Dan Holler – Town of Mammoth Lakes
Michelle Hayes - MMSA
Kevin Brown – D&S Waste
Roger Brown – Mammoth Disposal
John Pedersen – MCWD
Sandra DiDomizio – Green Fox Events & Guest Services

Guests:
Jill Kearney – Mono County Environmental Health Pam
Steve Barwick - Mono County
Jason Van Buron - Public
Sue VanDelinder – Mammoth Disposal
Pam Bold – High Sierra Energy Foundation / Green Business Program
Mike Melkonian – Inyo Mono Tree Pro
Karen McCoy – LADWP

2. Public Comment on items not on the agenda.
   Justin – Road improvement made along Benton Crossing Rd out through Pitt Road.

3. Approval of Minutes from July 31, 2019 meeting.
   Motion: Dan Second: Roger (7-0-0).

4. Update on comprehensive solid waste services RFP.
   Justin – Close to distribution, pending direction from new CAO and Board.

5. Update from Town of Mammoth Lakes on biomass feasibility study and long-haul transfer station development with Mammoth Disposal.
   Dan – Currently looking at technology that can receive biomass and sludge while producing biochar and power. Power will be phased in at a later time due to lack of transmission lines. Other items that may be acceptable as feedstock include treated wood depending on Air Resources Board Permitting. Cardboard and paper would be
diverted to this system. Estimated time of completion coincides with Benton Crossing Landfill. The project is tied to the Franchise Agreement with Mammoth Disposal. Mammoth Disposal recently purchased a Maintenance Facility that they were formerly leasing. Two more parcels will possibly be purchased in the Sierra Business Park for additional storage.

6. Update on organics/wood diversion.
   Justin - Contract for organic/wood chipping services under way with Terra Firma Organics. Only material that is received at County waste sites will be processed. Chips are available free to the public.

7. Consideration for existing task force seat held by SCP
   Dan – Seat should be available for an At-Large Member.
   Sandra – Need for a green business push.
   Susan – Working on a Sustainability Coordinator to be housed in Mammoth.
   Justin – N&R Publication under way for recycling outreach and education. Looking for partners and key places for distribution of 8 page newsprint.
   Roger – New trucks have recycling pickup capability with split body design.
   Pam – Working on single use water bottle ban initiative with Mammoth Lakes Tourism. Tin water bottles and watering stations may be available.

8. Recommendations for open Task Force seats. None
   • Representative from Construction Industry
   • Representative from Lodging Industry

9. Adjourn to November 21, 2019 meeting.
   Meeting adjournment at 12:15 p.m.