

**MINUTES | November 13, 2014**

7:30 am • Leawood City Hall • 4800 Town Center Drive • Main Conference Room

**Members Present:** Debra Filla, Julie Cain, Martha Conradt, Mike Gillaspie, Gareth Matthews, Scott Pashia, Bob Pierson, Chris Schultz

**Staff Present:** Chris Claxton, Brian Anderson, Marica Putman

**Members Absent:** Alicia Jennings, Kevin Jeffries, Jim Potter

**Guests:** Chuck Sipple, Ward 3 Council Member; Craig Wood, Jo Co Solid Waste Mgt. Coordinator; Richard Cooper, Jr., The United Methodist Church of the Resurrection Director of Facilities & Construction Mgt.

- ✚ The SAB meeting came to order at 7:30 am. Guest introductions are made.
  - Scott Pashia made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Bob Pierson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
  - Chris Schultz made a motion to approve the October 9<sup>th</sup> minutes. Mike Gillaspie seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

#### ✚ **Master Calendar**

Members review and adjusted calendar events. Martha Conradt suggested listing events to be carried forward even if the actual date is unknown at that time.

#### ✚ **Recycling**

##### **Craig Wood, Jo Co Solid Waste Mgt. Coordinator**

- Guest Speaker Craig Wood zeros in on landfills with his presentation. Johnson County has the largest municipal solid waste modern landfill and the largest construction demolition landfill. He regulates all the landfills in Johnson County.
- A lined landfill is roughly \$1,000,000 an acre. This figure does not include equipment capital and personnel.
- Each county is responsible for planning all of their solid waste. Johnson County pays about \$30 per ton. The state requires a 10 year plan. Johnson County plans for a 20 year horizon. Johnson County Landfill is in name only as Johnson County does not own this landfill. All trash services are privately held with the exception of Olathe (also has a composting site).
- For the first time since 1971, the Johnson County Landfill faced a possibility of closing. The 2007 plan was initiated to watch and reduce what was going into the landfill.
- He explains the solid waste plan and process.
  - Approximately a year to examine
  - Hire specific nationally known consultants
  - View existing infrastructure: improve and maximize
  - Costs evaluation
  - Yearly aerial waste composition review: Generation and capacity; air space longevity is 2040
  - Info is submitted to the state for review and approval
- Many landfills closed to costs associated with Subtitle D compliance. He explains the infrastructure of the landfill from the slides.
- Food waste is 17% and growing, yard waste is 11%, and paper is 42%. Evaluation is next year. Reduce, reuse, recycle and now there's recover – waste to energy. Avoid the waste and have the disposable to be a residual amount.
- Missouri Organics does food composting on some level. He is hoping that other companies will join in food composting.

##### **Recycling Extravaganza – Bob Pierson**

- Extremely busy and well organized. No stats available yet. Bob Pierson was in charge of fluorescent bulbs.

#### ✚ **Conservation**

##### **Dick Cooper, The United Methodist Church of the Resurrection Director of Facilities & Construction Management**

- A staff member for 14 years, he implemented recycling programs, and worked with Craig Wood.
- The church produces 7,000-8,000 bulletins per week. Maybe in the future, the bulletins may go to a smart device. In the meantime, the church has an impressive recycling program.
- They have studied waste streams (cardboard/plastic) and were surprised at the amount collected. They now have cardboard recycling. They are reviewing ways to reduce their dependence on water bottles.
- Earth COR (Church of the Resurrection) was started about 10 years ago. It is a group of dedicated folks whose desire to help the church be a better steward and taking care of God's gifts.

- Note that the church is open 24/7. If it is closed it is due to maintenance. Energy conservation is very big for the church with a savings close to \$100,000 a year. They are trying to reduce energy consumption (gas and electric) and their carbon footprint. An example of this is that the church has heat recovery from their chillers, using waste heat from the chillers for heating needs in the complex. During the winter, the chillers are turned off to use the outside air temperature to supply cooling where needed, thus saving dollars. Unused rooms are turned to a lower temperature. They are exploring thermostat systems that have occupancy sensors. They are currently building a new building and implementing new technologies.
- The church has 68 acres and about 20 acres is prairie grass, which is very sustainable. They even have water retention areas.
- An environmental ethics class is offered by the church. This class focuses on daily decisions, impacts, and being better stewards.
- As for mass transportation, they are hoping that the JO will put a stop at the church. If not, they would like to improve transportation where possible.
- My Father's House is a furniture recycling ministry located off of Manchester. Recipients are screened to receive furniture. Furniture is cleaned, prepped, and refurnished. The furniture and delivery is free. Much of the furniture is from hotels.
- Chair Filla invited Dick Cooper to participate in the Sustainability Summit as a vendor and providing 3 slides.

#### **Chair Filla Council Reports**

- Clean Air Action Plan. It is non-attainment for ozone. The plan has dos and don'ts.
- MARC Urban Forestry. They want to increase the number of trees by 10%. Chair Filla will send both links to members. It takes 10 trees for every one person to take care of our own waste that we have created.

#### **Pilot Green Street**

- The Pilot Green Street has been installed in front of Chair Filla's house and neighbors. It has been planted. More updates next spring.

#### **Green Mobility – Brian Anderson Council Approved**

- The council approved the Self-Propelled Leawood Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan.
- Brian Anderson and Bicycle Friendly Committee is coming up with a final design of what the way finder signage is going to look like and how they are going to mark these routes. Dimensional Innovations will provide a proposal and he will schedule a meeting for members to review it. There is no funding earmarked for it yet but the plan will provide a cost estimation. The committee hopes to provide a recommendation for way finding signage (smaller is better).

#### **Walk/Bike to School - October Date**

- Martha Conradt suggested picking an earlier date in October. The suggested national date is too cold for Kansas children and for promotions. Chair Filla asked that she; Alicia Jennings and Brian Anderson discuss and choose a date. Members commented on dates; suggesting promoting it in September, and contacting schools for a conference call for suggested dates.

#### **HOA Meeting**

- Marica Putman shared a brief summary of E-brite and how it will be used for registration, check-ins, etc. It was decided that the cost for extra attendees is now free.
- Chris Schultz confirms member ownership and tasks. Chris Claxton suggested using underused areas. Brian Anderson suggested using the Nature Center for the roundtable discussions.
- Chris Claxton will send out a meeting notice for the HOA meeting work session is December 11<sup>th</sup> at 8 am, Walnut Room. Chris Schultz will update the needed documents.
- Members discussed various improvements in for the meeting, time, and schedule. They also discussed providing a link on the city's web page for recycling info.

#### **Adjourn**

- Meeting adjourns at 9:08 am. Next meeting is January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015.
- Future meetings are February 12<sup>th</sup> and April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Annual HOA Meeting – February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015
- March, August, and December – no meetings.