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BENTON COUNTY

Solid Waste Advisory Council (SWAC)

April 27, 2022 Minutes

Members Present: Ken Eklund, Deborah Gile, Marge Popp, Joel Geier, Chuck Gilbert & Mark Yeager. Staff Present: Daniel Redick & Linda Ray

Call to Order/Introductions. Ken Eklund, Vice Chair called the meeting to order at 8:58 pm.

Approval of Minutes for March 23, 2022

Joel made a **MOTION** to approve the March 23, 2022 minutes. Seconded by Marge, the minutes were **APPROVED 4-0**.

Community Member Comments

None.

SWAC Elections

Mark nominated Ken Eklund to be promoted from the temporary chair to permanent chair. Seconded by Joel, the motion passed 6-0. Marge nominated Mark Yeager as Vice Chair of SWAC. Seconded by Joel, the **MOTION passed 6-0**.

Bylaws Review

Comments were made at the DSAC meeting regarding the bylaws and no further discussion took place. Ken encouraged members to be mindful of opportunities to amend the bylaws, especially around the specifics of chair/vice chair roles.

Member Requests

- After a brief discussion about the meeting packets, members requested an index be included to allow for easier access to materials which can often be a large pdf file. SWAC requested that the packets be sent out by county staff one week prior to the SWAC meeting. If additional materials come in after the original packet is sent out, SWAC requested that staff send out those materials 24 hour prior to the SWAC meeting. Members also requested when a DSAC/SWAC meeting is scheduled for the same evening, that staff send out separate packets so it is more delineated. SWAC also requested that if time sensitive material pertaining to DSAC becomes available in between meetings, those are sent out as soon as possible instead of waiting for the quarterly meeting.

Agenda Items

- Marge suggested moving the "Independent Audit into Landfill Waste" item from DSAC and placing it at the start of the May SWAC meeting.

- Regional SWAC Coalition discussion
- (Tentative) Updates (DEQ Waste Generation Summary, Sustainable Materials Management Plan & Equitable Solid Waste Services)
- Members suggested an agenda separated into two areas;
 - Updates
 - Projects or new business
- Grant Initiative

Mark moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Marge, the meeting adjourned at 9:47 pm.

