

## **Recycling Committee Meeting October 4, 2006**

### **Members Present**

Meg Healy  
Sarah Ginsburg  
Guyleene Ebersole  
C.J. Adkins

Bonnie Parker  
Tami Sheena  
Craig Bello

### **Non-voting members present**

Todd Gross, Public Works Information Coordinator  
Joe Keene, Director of Public Works

### **Communications**

- Articles written about curbside recycling in local papers passed around
- A resident made a complaint for having to pay money for extra bins
  - Chairperson, Craig Bello, responded to the resident explaining that is it necessary to charge for the bins as to make it fair for all residents

### **Public Works**

- As of right now public works has not been able to find a place that is recycling yard waste, however brush can be recycled
  - Fortunately, when grass goes to a landfill it does not take long for it to break down
- 24 tons of recyclables a week is being collected city wide
- It is taking a long time for the trucks to get through their routes
  - It will take public works 90 -120 days to get the trucks to make better time on the recycling route
  - Public works is in the process of purchasing a 32 yard truck
  - Public works would like to have 4, 32 yard trucks, which would replace the 25 yard trucks they are currently using
- Public works would like to be able to release data to the public about curbside recycling through the quarterly Dec. newsletter and through the BRC website
- The BRC needs to work on directing residents to package bins in appropriate packaging or not packaging recyclables for curbside collection
- Public works would like residents to prepare for segregated loads
  - Residents would need more education on separation of loads eventually
- There is no current data being collected on the Debbie Marshall recycling center on Edith
- Assisted Saturdays are still scheduled through December

### **Proud to Recycle**

- Distribution of all P2R materials is planned for upcoming events in conjunction with neighborhood partners
- The Proud to Recycle newsletter needs to be completed
  - Front motivational article needs to be written

### **Curbside Recycling**

- Grant List
  - Postcard
  - Refrigerator magnet
  - Can crushers
  - T-shirts
  - Pencils
  - Website rebuild to include curbside recycling
  - Work on development of PowerPoint presentation
  - Branding of recycling trucks

### **Upcoming Events**

- Pumpkin Patch
  - Proud to Recycle giveaways
  - Literature
  - Packing Example
    - Good vs. Bad ways to fill a bin

### **Newsletter**

- Goes out the first week of December
- Goes to print on November 15<sup>th</sup>
- Everyone on the committee is encouraged to write a 4 to 5 paragraph article

### **H-GAC Grants**

- There is additional grant money available through H-GAC
  - Applications are due Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>

Assisted Saturday

October 7th, 9:00 – noon

Next Meeting

Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, 7:00 p.m.

Submitted by Sarah Ginsburg, Secretary