

**Lawrence Recycling and Resource Conservation Advisory Board
(RRCAB) June 11, 2003
S.W.A.N Building, Lawrence, Kansas 66044**

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Members Present: Deb Baker, Rachel Treanor, Bruce Plenk, Steve Lane, Richard "Dickey" Heckler, Celeste Fish, Lew Phillips, Steve Hughes

Members Absent: Austin Kelly, Jeff Abbott, Heather Muth

Staff Present: Mollie Mangerich, Diana Sjorgen

- Deb Baker called the meeting to order at 4:45 pm.

Announcements: Mr. Zack Basin attended May's RRCAB meeting. Mr. Basin is interested in learning more about curbside recycling. Effective July 1 2003, there will be an opening for a new board member.

Committee Discussions:

- 1) **Earth Day Activities / Parade:** Committee members, Rachel Treanor, Dickey Heckler, Celeste Fish, Diana Sjorgen (staff liaison) and (Mollie Mangerich). Board approved an Earth Day Parade for 2004. The parade will be April 17, 2004. Board discussed the importance of scheduling an alternate rain day. The board cancelled the initial 2003 parade date due to rain. Board completed a recycling pilot program at the Earth Day fair to determine the effectiveness of recycling containers at public events. Board reports successful recycling efforts, and low contamination of recyclable materials. Board would like to invite the public schools to participate in the 2004 Earth Day parade.
- 2) **Energy Fair/Homes Tour:** Bruce Plenk, Steve Hughes, and Steve Lane. Energy Fair is on the agenda for October 19, 2003. Mollie Mangerich suggests profiling energy efficient home on the local television show, "Home and Away." This publicity would promote the Energy Fair and the Solar Homes Tour. The National Solar Homes Tour is scheduled for October 4, 2003. Board would like to have a bus tour of homes on the Lawrence homes tour. Board will look into scheduling the "T" to provide transportation. Board will continue to research possible homes that could be on the tour. Promote the idea pf professionalism with new signage and advertising for the upcoming Energy Fairs.
- 3) **Parks and Rec. and Schools Recycling:** Deb Baker, Rachel Treanor, Celeste Fish (Mollie Mangerich). Eagle Bend is reporting success from their newly implemented recycling efforts. Board would like to formally congratulate Eagle Bend and perhaps schedule a press release.
- 4) **Eco Village/Eco Footprint:** Bruce Plenk, Steve Hughes, and Steve Lane. Information is on hold until gaps of data can be filled.
- 5) **City Sustainability Office:** Celeste Fish, Bruce Plenk, Heather Muth. Board would like to have information ready for the City's review by the first of the year. Discussions are ongoing as to what the Sustainability Office should be and what current city offices would be involved.
- 6) **Recycling Bins for Newspapers:** Heather Muth. Lew Phillips contacted Doug Compton regarding a bin at Set 'Em Up Jacks, and is waiting final decisions.

WRR/HHW Update:

More that 300 HHW drop offs have occurred to date. 20 Small Quantity Generators have been serviced to date. There is a new newspaper drop box located at Douglas County Bank on 6th Street. WWR staff met with Downtown Lawrence Inc., in regards to recycling efforts and the "Greening of Downtown."

Topics for Next Discussion:

No tax on Ethanol fuel products. City Sustainability Office. Wind farms and wind turbines.

- Meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.