

FNSB Recycling Task Force Meeting
Wednesday August 27, 2008, 4:30-6:30pm

Attendees

Karen Bollinger	Suni Lambert	Mike Musick (Chair)	Marielle Smith
Scott Calder	Randy Lewis (Facilitator)	Marilyn Russell	Ty Taylor
Gary Currington	Michael Machulskey	Phil Schad	Kristen Thomas
Dave Ferree	Sue McCullough	Barbara Sevier	Darcie Warden
Suzy Fenner	Andrea Miller (Note-taker)		

Announcements and Presentations

- Gary discussed meeting a woman from the Mat-Su recycling organization at the Chena Hot Springs Energy Fair last weekend. The group is called Valley Community for Recycling Solutions (VCRS) and their website is here: <http://www.valleyrecycling.org>. This representative is willing to come here to talk to us and assist the Fairbanks Recycling Task Force if we can bring her here.
- Marilyn gave a presentation on the recycling program in Eugene, Oregon – they have an extensive curbside recycling program. Website at <http://www.sanipac.com>
- Sue McCollough announced that her school, West Valley High School, now has a recycling program up and running – they are partnering with Wal-Mart for collection.

Plan for Today’s Meeting

The purpose of today’s meeting is to begin drafting recommendations based on input from the group. Randy led the group through a brainstorming exercise in order to gather and organize the ideas that each of us feel are most important to cover in our recommendations.

Recommendations – Brainstorming

After submitting a number of ideas, the group worked together to categorize them under a small number of category headings. The results of this activity are as follows:

Stakeholders

- Commission
- FNSB Involvement
- School District
- Coordinate
 - military, state, federal, UAF, FNSB, city, commercial, private industry, non-profits, citizens

Recyclables

- Paper
- Plastic
- Compost
- Metal
- Tires
- Electronics
- Glass

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Education/Communication

- Education
- Public Will
- Philosophy
- Packaging (reduce)

Logistics

- Technology
- Labor (resource agencies)
- Transfer Sites
- Collections
- Baler
- Location (recycling center)
- Transportation

Business Plan

- Financial Incentives
- Market Product

Alternatives

- Waste to Energy

Future Meetings

- Randy is willing to continue working with our group in order to complete the work we are doing. However, he will not be able to attend any future meetings held on Wednesday evenings.
- Mike will investigate the possibility of moving our Wednesday RTF meetings to Fridays for the near future, so that Randy can continue assisting us with our efforts.
- The goal for future meetings will be to begin drafting these ideas into a set of recommendations to deliver to the Mayor.

NEXT MEETING

Friday, September 12th, 2008
4:30-6:30pm
FNSB Assembly Chambers