

Summary Minutes as Approved on 10/16/2019
Ohio Materials Management Advisory Council (MMAC)
October 16, 2019
Lazarus Government Center
50 West Town Street, Suite 700
Columbus, OH 43215

The following members were present:

Michael Dinneen, Private Sector
Jennifer Fenderbosch, Municipalities
Jenna Hicks, Solid Waste Management Districts
Kimberly McConville, Private Sector
Paul Wise, Townships
John Bayliss, Counties
Alex Boehnke, Private Sector
Beth Mowery, Private Sector
Brian Winter (Private Sector)

Absent: Chuck DeJonckheere (Health Departments), Frank Szollosi (Environmental Advocacy Organizations), Kathy Trent (Private Sector), and Kelly Bensman (General Public).

Also in attendance were Chet Chaney (Ohio EPA-DMWM), Jeff Montavon (Ohio EPA-DMWM), Matthew Hittle (Ohio EPA-DMWM), Kevin Zacharyasz (Ohio EPA-DMWM), Ernie Stall (Ohio EPA-DMWM), Marie Barnett (Ohio EPA-DEFA), Dave Foulkes (Ohio EPA-DEFA), Taylor Greely (Rumpke), Michael Greenberg (GT Environmental), Paul England (Pratt Industries), Travis Limbert (Ohio EPA-DEFA), John Minnear (Montgomery County SWMD) and Steve White (Republic).

2020 State Solid Waste Management Plan

Ernie Stall provided a summary of the public hearings and public comments that were received by the Agency. Ohio EPA received no testimony or comments. It was asked if the reference to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) was still needed since the grant program was moved to Ohio EPA. It was confirmed that the reference related to the previous version of the state solid waste management plan, so it is appropriate.

John Bayliss moved to adopt the *2020 State Solid Waste Management Plan* as presented. Brian Winter seconded the motion. The motion passed on voice vote.

It was related that MMAC is required to review the document every 3 years.

Montgomery County Disaster Debris Response

John Minear, Community Outreach and Education Manager for the Montgomery County

Solid Waste Management District, provided an overview of the District's involvement in cleaning up debris from the recent tornados near Dayton. He related the importance of planning ahead and practicing the steps laid out in the county emergency management agency (EMA) disaster plan. For temporary debris storage and reduction sites, it is crucial to consult Ohio EPA to identify appropriate sites and if air permits are required. For purposes of FEMA reimbursement, the importance of documenting everything cannot be stressed enough.

Mr. Minear also spoke about the process of managing volunteers. Sinclair Community College helped with this endeavor. It was also related that Ohio EPA is planning training(s) next year focusing on disaster events. It will be for both solid waste management districts and EMA offices.

Pratt Industries

Paul England, Senior Vice President of Pratt Industries Midwest Region, started with an overview of America's fifth largest corrugated packaging manufacturer. The company's network of over 100 plants, facilities, design centers and distribution centers are in 27 states and take pride in turning recycled paper into new packaging solutions. He provided a map of the different operations in the U.S. along with details of the components of the company's hub-and-spoke network, including the new mill in Wapakoneta, Ohio.

Mr. England provided some details about the new Ohio plant. The mill will take approximately 500,000 tons of recovered fiber a year. Of that material, eighty percent is mixed paper and the remaining 20 percent is OCC. Mr. England answered questions about the cleaning systems at the front end of the mill, which are propriety technology. Also discussed was the company's methods for sourcing material, with discounts for boxes being provided for rights to a business's recycling material. Generally, the source radius for material is about 100 miles. Currently, Pratt must source some of the material going into the mill from out of state, but the company is looking to source more material locally.

Approval of September 18, 2019 Minutes

Jennifer Fenderbosch moved to approve the minutes for the September 18, 2019 meeting. Jenna Hicks seconded the motion. Motion was passed on voice vote.

Ohio EPA Updates

Chet Chaney mentioned that Ohio EPA Director Laurie Stevenson discussed performing a review of House Bill 592. The directive was to "be bold" and at the same time find items that can be agreed upon. Incremental changes could also be looked at. Ohio EPA previously conducted an extensive review of House Bill 592. Consensus items from that effort were previously presented to MMAC and could be looked at as a starting point.

Ohio EPA is holding a training for new solid waste management district coordinators at the County Commissioner Association of Ohio's office in Columbus on November 7.


Data from Ohio's contamination intervention campaign is showing that there has been significant reduction as a result of the initial efforts of the campaign. A presentation with details will happen at a future MMAC meeting.

It was also mentioned that the next cycle for Ohio EPA's Recycling and Litter Prevention grants will be opening soon.

Next Steps and Wrap Up

It was agreed to cancel the next meeting (scheduled in December). Therefore, the next meeting will take place on February 19, 2020. Ernie will send a draft of the committee's report to the legislature prior to the next meeting. A retreat is being planned in place of the committee's April meeting.

Jenna Hicks moved to adjourn the meeting. Kimberly McConville seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:  CHAIR
Chair

Minutes approved on: February 19, 2020

Certified by:  Secretary

