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## RECYCLING COMMISSION MEETING

Wednesday, February 15, 2012, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  
Mary Siah Recreation Center, Art Room

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### AGENDA

#### CALL TO ORDER

**1. ROLL CALL**

**2. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

(Approval of Consent Agenda passes all routine items indicated by an asterisk (\*) on the agenda. Consent Agenda items are not considered separately unless so requested, in which case the item is returned to the general agenda. Said item will be discussed prior to public comment period, or under New Business, at discretion of Chair)

- A. \*Approval of Agenda
- B. \*Approval of minutes of previous meeting

**3. MESSAGES**

- A. Chairman's comments
- B. Communications to the Recycling Commission
  - I. Bob Jordan: report on Mayor Hopkins' final disposition of the Information Insights proposal to create, administer, and report on a phone survey of Borough residents
  - II. Mike Schmetzer: report on current recycling efforts in the City of Fairbanks
  - III. Michelle Hebert: UAF report
  - IV. Andrea Miller: IAGS report
  - V. Pat Kougl: FNSBSD report
  - VI. Capt. Tim Hall: Ft. WW recycling report and upcoming plans
  - VII. Kauai Alpha of Central Recycling (Wasilla) will present information regarding expansion of their construction debris recycling efforts to the Fairbanks area
  - VIII. David Weissman: report on research into recycling in other Alaskan communities

**4. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS**

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- A. Agenda items
- B. Items not on the agenda

**5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- A. Items on agenda scheduled for public hearing
  - I. Develop a strategy to help ensure borough funding of future recycling efforts

**6. NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS/PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS**

- A. Items on agenda scheduled for public hearing
- B. Items on agenda not scheduled for public hearing

**7. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS**

**8. ADJOURN**

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## RECYCLING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, January 11, 2012, 5:00pm – 8:00pm

Mary Siah Recreation Center, Art Room

### 1. ROLL CALL

**Commissioners:** Larry Fogleson, Karl Hough, Karl Monetti, Barbara Carlson Johnson, David Weissman

**Liaisons:** Capt. Tim Hall, Fort WW; Pat Kogle, FNSB School District

**FNSB Staff:** Bob Jordan, Solid Waste Division; Denise Brand, Mayor's Office (Grants); Jane Steeves, Scribe

**Guests:** Sylvan Robb, Information Insights; Ken Simington, Alaska Waste; Andrea Miller, IAGS

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MOVED: David Weissman, SECONDED: Larry Fogleson, DISCUSSION: none, PASSED: unanimously

### 3. MESSAGES

A. Chairman's comments

I. In future, Commissioners please be aware of quorum requirements and give notice if you're not coming, or going to be late.

II. The annual report to the Mayor is finished and has been forwarded to him.

B. Communications to the Recycling Commission

I. Bob Jordan: Report on the final disposition of IAGS recommendation to fund electronics recycling for January-June 2012.

The Recycling Commission recommended \$25,000.00 of funding at its last meeting to support operations and subsidize fees. The Mayor agreed to fund half now and is willing, if needed, to fund the remaining half at a later date. The Purchase Order is in progress. The goal is to encourage more people to recycle and that includes Fort Wainwright.

II. Denise Brand, Mayor's Office: discuss grant process.

Denise is a grant finder and grant writer and will be a resource for the Commission in pursuing State, Federal and private monies. Feedback from the Commission to Denise included recommending searching for potential resources to establish markets here for glass/paper/etc., incentives for business start-ups using waste materials, money for a glass crusher, money to upgrade transfer sites to accept recycling bins, money for reconfiguring the landfill and transfer sites to support more recycling, approaching manufacturers for help in recycling their products {extended producer responsibilities (EPR)}, funding for scrap tire recycling. The Commission asked Denise to compile a potential list and bring to the Commission.

a. Barbara Carlson-Johnson emphasized the need to use household waste materials for recycling bins. Barbara will meet with Denise to share expertise.

b. Commissioner communications are to be submitted to the Chair for collation and forwarding to Denise.

III. Kauai Alpha, Central Recycling: introduce business plan

Presenter not available for this meeting. Will attend in February to discuss construction debris recycling.

IV. Bob Jordan: Brief history of the previous Recycling Commission.

Five to seven Commissioners met regularly from 1995 to 1998; discussed transfer sites; reuse areas were added; containers were provided for waste batteries/oil/etc; scrap metal recycling continued; the hazardous waste building was constructed in 1996; waste paper was recycled from 1998-2007, pelletized at Eielson and burned in the power plant. The Commission ended in 1999 since the Commissioners felt everything had been accomplished that was possible at the time. No budget was approved at any time.

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**A. Agenda items**

None

**B. Items not on agenda**

None

**5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**A. Items on agenda scheduled for public hearing**

**I. Budget**

**a. Finalize budget & submit to Bob Jordan**

DISCUSSION:

- David Weissman recused himself since he is on the board of Alaska Greenstar and there is a budget item funding Greenstar.
- FY13 begins July 2012. Funding is available 7/1/12-6/30/13.
- If current funding is spent as planned, there is about \$2,400 left in budget.
- Concern was expressed that nothing has been budgeted for worthy projects that haven't been foreseen.

MOTION: To amend the budget by adding \$15,000 for Project Development.

MOVED: Larry Fogleson, SECONDED: Barbara Carlson-Johnson,

DISCUSSION: Ensure the Assembly is aware of recycling staffing and funding in other areas in Alaska, for example, Anchorage.

PASSED: Unanimously

MOTION: To approve the amended budget of \$140,000.00

MOVED: Barbara Carlson-Johnson, SECONDED: Karl Hough, DISCUSSION: none, PASSED: unanimously

**B. Items on agenda not scheduled for public hearing**

None

**6. NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS/PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS**

**A. Items on agenda scheduled for public hearing**

**I. Act on Information Insights proposal to create and administer a phone survey.**

MOTION: The proposal to be passed as recommended by the Education Subcommittee.

MOVED: David Weissman, SECONDED: Larry Fogleson, DISCUSSION: none, PASSED: unanimously

**B. Items on agenda not scheduled for public hearing**

**I. Elect Officers for 2012**

(Current officers are Karl Monetti, Chair and David Weissman, Vice Chair)

MOTION: The current officers continue.

MOVED: David Weissman, SECONDED: Karl Hough, DISCUSSION: Keep up the good work.,  
PASSED: Unanimously

**7. COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS**

- A. Holiday Tree Recycling: 70 trees collected on Fort Wainwright; several hundred trees in the Borough chipped for trails and burning; Ms. Carlson: In future, collection should begin later than the 26<sup>th</sup> and end at the 12<sup>th</sup> day of Christmas
- B. Capt. Hall: The Defense Realization and Marketing Office (DRMO) site on Badger Road has surplus/retired military equipment. After a set period of time, if the military doesn't need the equipment, it is available free to local governments
- C. Bob Jordan: Kindly adhere to the submission dates for material for future meetings.

**8. ADJOURN**

MOVED: Larry Fogleson, SECONDED: David Weissman, DISCUSSION: none, PASSED: unanimously