SOLID WASTE LICENSING COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

August 24, 2017

A regular meeting of the Solid Waste Licensing Committee was held on Thursday, August 24, 2017, at 10:30 a.m., in Room 1E09 of the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality Headquarters, 5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, Arkansas.

The meeting was called to order by Phillip Davis, Chairman. Members present included Phillip Davis, Angela Sparks, Rosemary Rogers, Randy Harper, William Wright, Warren Atkins, Neal Washburn, Susan Speake and Jane Schwartz. Visitors present were, Kevin White, Associate Director, Office of Land Resources and Jarrod Zweifel, Senior Manager, Assessment and Remediation, Office of Land Resources. Gussie Robinson and Bill Burrough were not present.

Neal Washburn made a motion to approve the minutes. Angela Sparks seconded the motion. The minutes from the prior meeting were approved.

Susan Speake opened with the Department report, reporting Jane Schwartz issued 615 Solid Waste Licenses from 7/1/2017 to 8/24/2017. There are also twenty three (23) licensed Illegal Dump Control Officers. She followed up by introducing guests, Associate Director, Kevin White, and Sr. Manager of Assessment and Remediation Jarrod Zweifel. She concluded with saying that we now have testing in Spanish, available upon request, in the licensing program.

Angela Sparks commented that the Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission will be voting on the New Tire Regulations at their next meeting, scheduled for August 25, 2017. Regulation 14 will now be Regulation 36. She mentioned that at the tire meeting they were mainly concerned with getting the regulation approved and then they can work on any changes as they get further into the implementation of the program.

Randy Harper presented the Arkansas Environmental Training Academy (AETA) report with a brief summary of the Train the Trainer Meeting recently held in Fayetteville. He expressed appreciation for the representatives from ADEQ making presentations and networking. It is an opportunity to share information from both sides and is beneficial to improving the resources in the academy classes offered for operators. Randy explained to the visitors how the AETA provides classes state wide and meets with the Advisory Board throughout the year.

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He also presented the training report for Kenny Nutt, Solid Waste Program Coordinator for AETA. Mr. Nutt taught 19 classes with 250 students from April to June. He also said that AETA was now working on the new 2018 – 2019 Academy Training schedule for the coming year.

Other business included a brief discussion suggesting the staggering of replacement dates for retiring Board members. Six (6) of the nine (9) members are serving their second terms and will rotate off the board in April 2018. Staggering the replacement dates will insure that the Board will always have experienced board members.

The term for Mr. Warren Atkins, City of Little Rock Landfill, expired July 24, 2017. Mr. Atkins agreed to extend his membership on the board for another term of three (3) years. His new Term End Date is now July 24, 2020.

The next meeting date was set for November 16, Thursday at 10:30 a.m. at ADEQ.

With no further business, a motion was made to adjourn by Warren Atkins, and seconded by Angela Sparks. The meeting was adjourned

Phillip Davis, Chairman