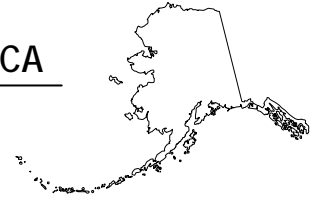




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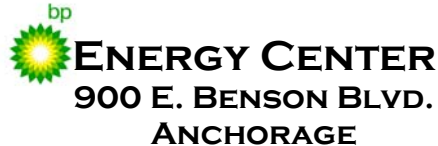
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## QUARTERLY MEETING

APRIL 28, 2006



### AGENDA

- I. **Call to Order @ 12:50 pm**  
**Introductions**
- II. **Agenda Approved**
- III. **Minutes Approved**
- IV. **Board and General Membership Issues**
  - A. **Committee Reports**
    1. **Treasurer's Report** – Cory Hinds
      - Current Assets are \$37,920.10
      - Accounts do not balance due to a \$200 check to Red Cross which is outstanding, Cory will contact the Credit Union to make sure the check will be honored.
      - *Financial Advisor, Alan Sandar* – presented advice on investments for the Chapter.
      - The Chapter made modification to the Draft Investment Policy Statement based on the recommendations of the advisor (final Investment Policy Statement attached)
      - The Chapter also approved the investment of \$25,000 to be managed by Sandar and Sandar Financial Strategies Group of Wachovia Securities
    2. **Program Committee** – Greg Goodale  
The committee is developing a program for a future meeting on Emergency Debris Management.
    3. **Membership Committee** – Mike Blair
      - There are currently 87 chapter members
      - The Chapter discussed the establishment and continuation of membership for retirees. The chapter left it up to the Board to set policy on funding and continuing retiree memberships.
      - Mike noted that several emails have been returned due to bad email addresses. Please contact Lori Aldrich ([Lori\\_Aldrich@dec.state.ak.us](mailto:Lori_Aldrich@dec.state.ak.us)) or Mike Blair ([blairpairm@acsalaska.net](mailto:blairpairm@acsalaska.net)) if your email changes.



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#### 4. Scholarship Committee – Cathy Mayer

- The Scholarship Committee did not receive any application for the Chapter scholarship. Applications are still being accepted for the National SWANA scholarships.
- Lanie Hughes will serve as the new Scholarship Committee Chair, as Cathy Mayer is leaving the state.

#### 5. Training Committee – Mike Blair

- Rural Alaska Landfill Operator (RALO) Training – we have presented 3 RALO Trainings in Kotzebue, Bethel, and Dillingham, all with positive responses. The Chalkyitsik training was postponed and move to Fort Yukon, and currently has a total of 40 students signed up. The committee is meeting on May 31 to review and revise the RALO manual based on the four trainings this year. The committee will also be contacting the British Columbia Chapter of SWANA regarding their Chapter training program and initiate an exchange of information.
- Manager of Landfill Operation (MOLO) Training – MOLO training will be held in Anchorage September 25 – 29 at the Homewood Suites, 140 West Tudor Road. The cost will be \$700 for members. With 40 students, the chapter will net \$7200. The break even point for the Chapter is 22.5 students. 18 have committed already. The instructors for the MOLO will include Mike Blair, Greg Goodale, and Richard Bonwell.

#### 6. Legislative Liaison – Kim Stricklan

- The draft Solid Waste Regulations have been revised by the Program, based on the Commissioners comments, and sent back to his office. Although the revision of the regulations is a top priority for the Commissioner, the oil tax, gas pipeline, and election year will slow the approval process. Once they are approved by the Commissioner, the new regulations package will be posted for public comment. The required comment period is at least 60 days, but ADEC would like to extend it for 90 or 120 days to allow for the maximum input by the industry.
- Leslie Simmons is now the Federal Facilities Coordinator for ADEC, and will no longer be active in SWANA.
- Kim agreed to act as the Legislative Liaison for the Chapter.

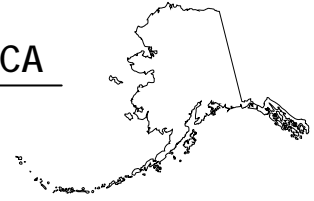
#### B. Director's Corner – Greg Goodale

- The mid year SWANA meeting was held in Silver Springs, MD in April.
- The 2005 Audit was accepted, and the FY07 Program & Budget Plans approved.
- Wastecon 2009 will be held in Long Beach, CA. Wastecon 2006 is scheduled for September 19-21 at Charlotte, NC.
- A capital funding program was discussed to update and expand training and education. This is a challenge for SWANA while trying to increase capital reserves. They are looking at funding strategies.
- SWANA released a joint statement with the US Composting Council in support of Bioreactor landfills.



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#### C. President's Comments

- The Chapter needs to increase its exposure and its ability to communicate information to the public. A website proposal has been developed by Cory Hinds and Keith Howard. Kurt Eilo has agreed to help develop the site. A website committee will report progress at the next meeting.
- The chapter needs to develop a clear concise mission statement. Assigned to the Website Committee
- The vacant Vice-President position has not been filled by the Board. The new VP will be selected by the Board and announced at the next meeting. The VP will be responsible for Chairing the Program and Training committees.

#### D. Member Comments

- Cory Hinds suggested that the Chapter develop a statement in support of leachate recirculation in the state of Alaska. Kim Stricklan stated that the current EPA position was that if the Research, Development & Demonstration (RD&D) Rule was not adopted by State regulation, that the state could not approve RD&D projects. However, two states have approved projects without approval. Doug Buteyn of ADEC will be meeting with Region 10 to discuss the RD&D rule on May 18.  
The Board will approve a position statement to be submitted to EPA prior to the May 18 meeting.
- The Chapter will need a new Board Member. The Board will appoint a Board member and announce the new member at the July Meeting.

#### V. Technical Session

##### *Water Monitoring Reporting and Standards for Alaska Landfills*

*Karin Hendrickson, ADEC* presented information on the proper report information and format and the proper comparison standards for water monitoring results for landfills. The guidance documents are available online at [http://www.dec.state.ak.us/eh/sw/Factsheets/index\\_FS.htm](http://www.dec.state.ak.us/eh/sw/Factsheets/index_FS.htm).

#### VI. Next Meeting – Friday July 21 Usibelli Coal Mine

- **10 am mine tour – family members welcome.**
- **Followed by lunch and business meeting at the golf course.**
- **RV parking (no hook ups) will be available at the Community Center.**
- **RSVP required by July 14 for tour, meeting, and RV parking.**

#### VII. Adjournment – 3:05 pm.