



## Meeting Notes

### TREE Community Advisory Committee

Monday, October 17, 2005

#### Committee Members Attending:

*Clifford A. Newton*, Rochester State Representative (*Presiding*); *John Larochell*, Rochester; *Allan Davis*, Waste Management; *Trey Dykstra*, NH Department of Environmental Services; *Kenn Ortmann*, Rochester Planning Dept.; *George Jenness*, Rochester Business Representative.

#### I. Meeting Notes

The committee accepted "Meeting Notes" of the Community Advisory Committee's previous meeting.

#### II. Special Communications

The committee was advised Trey Dykstra has resigned his position at the DES effective October 27. It was noted that Trey accepted a geotechnical engineering position in the Materials and Research Bureau at the NH DOT. The DES has not advised the committee regarding the status of new representative.

The committee voted to forward a letter of thanks to Trey for his work on the committee. (see attached)

It was noted that the DES provided the important role of collecting all the odor complaint data and complaining the monthly reports. The committee viewed this as important not only from a functional perspective but also because having the DES as the data collection point gave significant credibility to the data. The committee expressed hope that this function would continue and that the DES would be encouraged to do so.

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III. Review of Odor Complaint Log Data

The committee reviewed odor complaints since the last meeting.

It was noted that only 14 complaints were received in September and none through the date of this meeting. Cliff Newton noted the improved performance of the landfill gas odor mitigation system at Turnkey, emphasizing that much had been accomplished over the past year.

Al Davis of Waste Management reported that a total of 15 vertical wells and over 500 feet of new gas lines have been installed in this latest phase of construction. He indicated all new wells have pumps which can be activated if needed.

The following represents a review of odor complaints as compiled by the DES:

| Month           | Year | No. of Complaints<br>(1) | No. of Complainants<br>(2) | Odor Description(3) |                 |
|-----------------|------|--------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
|                 |      |                          |                            | Garbage(4)          | Landfill Gas(5) |
| Jan             | 04   | 12                       | 4                          | 0                   | 8               |
| Feb             | 04   | 7                        | 6                          | 2                   | 2               |
| Mar             | 04   | 6                        | 6                          | 1                   | 2               |
| Apr             | 04   | 24                       | 10                         | 0                   | 9               |
| May             | 04   | 24                       | 15                         | 1                   | 5               |
| Jun             | 04   | 17                       | 9                          | 0                   | 4               |
| Jul             | 04   | 21                       | 9                          | 1                   | 6               |
| Aug             | 04   | 39                       | 18                         | 7                   | 20              |
| Sep             | 04   | 97                       | 44                         | 13                  | 28              |
| Oct             | 04   | 51                       | 21                         | 9                   | 26              |
| Nov             | 04   | 20                       | 10                         | 2                   | 11              |
| Dec             | 04   | 5                        | 4                          | 0                   | 1               |
| Jan             | 05   | 2                        | 1                          | 1                   | 1               |
| Feb             | 05   | 17                       | 6                          | 3                   | 10              |
| Mar             | 05   | 1                        | 1                          | 1                   | 0               |
| Apr             | 05   | 3                        | 3                          | 2                   | 1               |
| May             | 05   | 7                        | 4                          | 3                   | 4               |
| Jun             | 05   | 8                        | 5                          | 7                   | 1               |
| Jul             | 05   | 26                       | 12                         | 17                  | 2               |
| Aug             | 05   | 30                       | 13                         | 20                  | 5               |
| Sep             | 05   | 14                       | 8                          | 8                   | 2               |
| <b>Total:</b>   |      | <b>431</b>               |                            | <b>98</b>           | <b>148</b>      |
| <b>Percent:</b> |      |                          |                            | <b>40%</b>          | <b>60%</b>      |

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IV. Planning Board

Alan Davis noted that Rochester Planning Board meeting that would be meeting later that evening as part of the TREE permit extension process.

V. Communications

Mark Bodi reviewed a letter by Waste Management was forwarded to all residents who had complained about odors over the last year updating them landfill construction activities which might result in some minor landfill odors. This information was also posted on the CAC website.

VI. Next Meeting

The committee discussed whether on not it was necessary to meet on a monthly basis given the substantial success in landfill odor mitigation activities at Turnkey. It was agreed not to meet in November or December and that the next meeting would be held on January 16, 2005

**MEETING CHANGE: Subsequent to the meeting the committee was advised that January 16, 2005 was a Martin Luther Day holiday. As a result, it was agreed that the next meeting would be held on January 23, 2005.**