

**TOWN OF SILVER CITY RECYCLING ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES February 6, 2013**

Held at, Annex II, (old Shamrock station) Silver City, NM

**Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 3:00 PM. Members in attendance: Terry Timme, acting chair, Tommy Ogas, Recycling Supervisor, Jane Riger, Gordon West, Amy Hart, Genevieve Morgan, Alan Archer, Members absent: Ron Groves, Connie Glenn

**Minutes:** Minutes from January 3 approved by voice vote.

**SWSWA Report( Tommy Ogas)**

- Residential use bins: 80 bins are available.
- Glass recycling: the 17<sup>th</sup> shipment of glass to Turner with a total of 430,000 lbs. since shipping to Turner Bros. began. Discussion of contamination of glass with tires, wood, and a mattress.
- Cardboard recycling: 135 bales have been sold to Centennial Recycling in CA ( a total of 416 bales in 4 months) at \$102.50 per ton with \$8,337.00 in revenue to date. 40 bales were sold to Western Fibers in OK to be made into insulation and returned to Silver City.
- Single stream recycling: 281 bales have been sent to Tucson at \$15.00 per ton; \$4,215 total.
- E waste update: currently 16 empty gaylords. UNICOR collects 30 gaylords per trip.

**Update from Office of Sustainability(Terry Timme)**

- State climatologist talk Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> GRC 6:30 pm.
- Open house and site visit to WWTP solar array Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>. The site visit will be at 2:00 pm; RSVP necessary for place on the bus. Discussion of identification of the building that houses the recycling baler. Tommy suggests we paint a SWSWA logo on the building before the open house.

**Old Business**

- Organic waste diversion: Genevieve is working at Townside Farm experimentally composting bind weed and denim insulation. She will collect food waste at the Farmer's Market.

- Earth Day: April 20, 2013 at Gough Park. RAC will have a booth and e waste collection. PNM may provide volunteers.

### **New Business**

- Collaborative Forest Restoration Proposal: Gordon is submitting a grant proposal to USDA (NM only) for a series of erosion control demos on Forest Service land, at the landfill and on Freeport- McMoRan property. Proposal is due Feb. 25, 2013.
- Keep America Beautiful/Coke Bin grant program: proposal will be submitted by March 4, 2012.
- NMED Solid Waste Facility & Recycling and Illegal Dumping (RAID) grants: will be submitted by April 5, 2012.
- Plastic Bag Ban Ordinance: this topic is currently under the purview of the Climate Change Committee. Discussion as to whether SC Recycling Advisory Committee will take it on. If so, committee members will talk to local business owners for input.

**Adjournment, Next Meeting** - Meeting adjourned at 4:50PM. Next meeting **Thursday, February March 14<sup>th</sup>**.