

TOWN OF SILVER CITY RECYCLING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES April 7th , 2016

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 , David Krisch, Connie Glenn, Jane Riger, Kelduyn Garland, Alan Archer Absent: Gordon West. Dora Gonzales, SWSWA representative.

Minutes: Minutes from previous meeting approved by voice vote.

Old Business:

- Glass Recycling Discussion: there is no commercial use for glass in this community. Santa Fe takes its glass to Phoenix. Las Cruces has a glass pulverizer. Carlsbad has a glass pulverizer which was donated by the National Park Service. To date, Silver City has no workable solution to dealing with glass bottles and will put it in the landfill until such time as a better solution can be found. Local bars will need to pay for pick up of glass and have it transported to the landfill. Advance notice to the Silver City pickup area regarding changes in recycling procedures will be announced July 1. Terry T will put out a flyer re discontinuation of glass recycling.

New Business:

- **Earth Day:** April 23rd, 10:00 -2:00pm. Educational opportunities will be available as well as recycling and paper shredding availability in the Gough Park parking lot. The town will pay the cost of paper shredding. Community Youth Building (CYB) youth will be helping.

SWSWA Report (Dora Gonzalez, Business Operations/Personnel Officer):

- Recycling tonnages this quarter
 - Tons OCC sold 61.7
 - Tons of single-stream to Tucson 252.8
 - Tons of glass (Jan – March) 7.75
- Material on hand:
 - Pallets of Electronics 23 pallets – Broadway Metals will pay for transport to Phoenix
 - Bales of OCC 22 bales ready to go
 - Bales of single-stream 20 bales just loaded
- Other recycling issues (labor & equipment)
 - Few complaints lately re service
 - Baler has had an annual tune up and employees trained on maintenance. Extra parts ordered.

Update from the Office of Sustainability (Terry Timme)

- RAID and NM Clean & Beautiful Grants : \$200,000 will be asked for carts, tubs, recycling and trash containers in parks as well as dog waste containers. Will know status of grant in May.
- \$9000 asked for transport of tires to Denver City.
- Automated trucks have not been ordered yet.
- Colonias Grant is in holding status. Four cells at landfill have to be closed. This will cost \$800,000 which will need to be covered by grant.

Adjournment, Next Meeting - Meeting adjourned at 4:30 PM . Next meeting : **Thursday, May 5th, 3:00 pm.**