



# Sustainability Office

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## Boulder County Resource Conservation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes – January 25, 2017

### Present:

Russ Callas – At-Large  
Jack DeBell – CU Recycling  
Michael Donovan – At-Large  
Suzanne Jones – Eco-Cycle (phone)  
Charles Kamenides – City of Longmont  
Shari Malloy – At-Large  
Dan Matsch – Town of Lyons (phone)  
Mark Persichetti – City of Louisville  
Tim Plass – At-Large

### Active Members Not Present:

Darla Arians – Boulder County  
Shirley Garcia – City & County of Broomfield  
Holly Hughes – Town of Ward  
Bryce Isaacson – Western Disposal  
Bridget Johnson – Town of Jamestown  
Neal Lurie – Center for ReSource  
Conservation  
Chris Pelletier – Town of Nederland  
Stephanie Walton – City of Lafayette

### RCAB Staff Liaison:

Leigh Cushing – Commissioners'  
Office/Sustainability  
Tyler Kesler – Commissioners'  
Office/Sustainability

### Guests:

Kevin Afflerbaugh – Western Disposal  
Steve Derus – Momentum Recycling  
Andrea Doukakis – City of Boulder Resident  
Chris Gallagher – LID Landscape  
Jamie Harkins – City of Boulder  
Rick Kattar – Boulder County RCD  
Lisa Knoblauch – City of Longmont  
J. Cody Lillstrom – Boulder County RCD  
Roger Pacheco – Republic Services  
Lou Perez – Eco-Cycle  
Lisa Skumatz – Superior resident

### **1. Call to Order**

Chair Charles Kamenides called the meeting to order at 5:02 pm

### **2. Approval of Minutes December 14, 2016**

No quorum – approval of minutes will be moved to the next meeting

### **3. Community Updates**

- **CU Boulder** – Is studying their shrink wrap usage to find how the most common types used, and how to reduce usage and waste. It is current valued at 0.3 cents a pound, however, the more quantity and quality LDPE plastic, the higher the value will be. If you have any shrink wrap that you would like to dispose of or to be included in the study, CU Boulder is interested in receiving it from you.
- **Boulder County**– RFQ for Carbon Sequestration will be released shortly, which asks for industry experts to create a feasible Scope of Work to pilot a project in Boulder County. The City of Boulder and the City of Longmont have communicated initial interest in

being involved and RCAB will email City Reps when ready with a clear ask. Also, the County Commissioners approved Zero Waste funding for the suggested grants in 2017.

- **City of Longmont** – Longmont continues to increase customer sign-ups for curbside composting and is just under 2,400 customers. In February, the City will be sending out information through the utility bill to advertise again for this program.
- **City of Louisville** – PACE partnership with Xcel that will apply to both residents and businesses, both city and private property.

#### **4. Special Topic: January Retreat Results**

Charles spoke about short and long-term goals identified in the RCAB retreat last week.

Short-term goals (next couple of months) are:

- Sub-committees – existing committees need to be evaluated and future committees need to be created with specific goals and timelines with end dates.
- Monthly Topics – Feb Comp plan, March RCAB Bylaws
- Tours (with social hour) in lieu of a monthly meeting or additional gathering
- Volunteer opportunities
- ZW Grants, increase funding
- Informing the public of regional/local waste diversion programs (HTR events, spring cleanups)
- BCRC updates

Medium (this year) goals are:

- Boulder County Comp Plan Update
- Explore feasibility of BC compost facility
- Analyze current policies and identify gaps – identify local, regional, national, and international
- Zero Waste Action Plan (relevance/update)
- Food Waste – needs definition

Long-term goals are:

- Sustainability Tax uses for ZW
- E-waste issues
- Carbon Sequestration
- Source Reduction (manufacturer CAFR partnership?; consumer)

#### **5. Special Topic: Hauler Ordinance**

Cody Lillstrom presented on the updated hauler ordinance. The Commercial Hauling License was adopted on December 27<sup>th</sup> with updates that include additional haulers such as landscapers and construction and demolition contractors. In addition, mandatory reporting using the county's ReTrac program is now required. New haulers have been informed and will continue to be offered additional trainings on a voluntary basis. Next week Cody is holding three training events (Tuesday, Wednesday,

and Thursday) to train and onboard landscapers, and other haulers, to get introduced to Boulder County's ReTRAC tracking system. Questions about what happens to the submitted materials reports and how will they guard against double-counting impact numbers. Voluntary self-reporting programs will always continue to be tricky. Recognition was given that the only way to get the haulers to comply is going to be with a multi-pronged approach leveraging financial penalties.

## **6. Special Topic: Rick Katter 2016 BCRC Year in Review and 2017 Updates**

Rick, BCRC MRF Operations Analyst, presented a Power Point (see attached) including:

- Inbound Material Trend (2012-2016)\*
  - Mixed Materials: Single Stream Residential 82.8%; Single Stream Commercial 10.9%; Co-mingled Containers 0.6%.
  - Source Separated Materials: Fiber 5.5%; Containers 0.1%.
- Outbound Trend (2012-2016)\*
  - 2012 – 43,625 tons; 2013 – 41,252 tons; 2014 – 39,532 tons; 2015 – 46,211 tons; 2016 – 42,985 tons.
- Outbound Material Revenue Trend (2012-2016)\*
  - 2012 – \$5,184,765; 2013 – \$4,915,684; 2014 – \$4,983,623; 2015 – \$4,622,427; 2016 – \$5,042,071
- Briefing on Market Conditions
  - Plastics will most likely be down for 2017
  - Metals: Aluminum may stay stable for Q1; Steel has shown great strength and should continue to hold
  - Fiber: PCC will continue to hold strength for Q1; ONP will decline in value; MP will hold or increase nominally
- Gate Fee Discussion – Posted first day of each month [here](#)
- Key Operating Performance Indicators – Zero Safety Recordable Incidents; 23 tons per run hour; 21 tons per paid hour; 93% uptime; 12% residue.
- Update on Optics Retrofit – Contract has been executed, field measurements completed, component delivery is scheduled for March-April, commissioning schedule for mid-June.

\* details granulated within Power Point slide deck

### **Additional:**

Momentum Recycling has a Grand Opening on February 22<sup>nd</sup> starting at 1:30p.

**Adjournment:** Charles Kamenides called the meeting to a close at 6:32 pm