

Health, Education & Welfare Committee

May 30, 2012

In attendance:

Natalie Wolf, Chair

Bill Doering, Ed Hattenbach, J.K. Byar, Tom Muething,

Scot Lahrmer, Village Manager

Holly Christman, HCSW&R

The purpose of the meeting was to approve the 15 year Solid Waste Plan.

Ms. Christman explained that HB 592 required Ohio counties to form solid waste districts and reduce reliance on landfills. Since its formation in 1989, the Hamilton County Solid Waste District has exceeded all its mandates. The philosophy of the HCSW&R District is to rely on the private sector to provide garbage and recycling pickup. Resources are then passed on to communities to enact their own recycling programs. The District provides tools, advice, and money.

Amberley receives grant money from the District based upon the community's rate of recycling and how many tons are recycled each year.

Amberley's rate of recycling is 22% which is above average. In 2011, Amberley received \$11,000 from the District in grant money based upon the above factors. With large containers, an average of 25% more waste is recycled. AV will renew its garbage collection contract next year and will probably include large containers to residents at that time.

There was discussion about how to increase the rate of recycling among residents and businesses in Amberley Village. More education to residents regarding what can be recycled was suggested, including problem waste streams (household hazardous waste, batteries, pool chemicals, antifreeze, pesticides, fertilizer): take to Spring Grove facility Tues. 2-6 and Sat. 9-1. Tire Amnesty Days were suggested as a way to increase tons recycled., Electronic waste can be taken to Republic Transfer Station M-F 10-4 and first Sat. of the month. No charge for residents and local governments. If we hold an electronic recycling event in AV the Village gets a recycling credit.

Ed Hattenbach made a motion to approve the Solid Waste Plan and Bill Doering seconded it. The motion passed and the Committee will recommend passage of a similar resolution by Council in June.

Natalie Wolf