MARI\N COUNTY HAZARDOUS & SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Thursday, March 27, 2008
Marin Municipal Water District
220 Nellen Avenue, Corte Madera.
TIME 9:00 AM

AGENDA

1. Call to Order.

2. Approval of JPA Board Meeting Minutes from November 1, 2007 (Action)

3. AB939 Local Task Force Environmental Member Appointments. (Action)

4. Open Time.

5. Next JPA Board Meeting to be held on Thursday, May 22, 2008, 9:00 AM, 220 Nellen
   Avenue, Corte Madera

      Next Executive Board Meeting to be held on Wednesday, April 23, 2008, 10:00 – 11:00 AM, 65 Mitchell Blvd., San Rafael

6. Adjourn.

The full agenda with staff reports is available at www.marinrecycles.org/mins_agendas.cfm
Call to Order The Board of Directors meeting came to order at 9:00 AM.

1. Approval of JPA Board Meeting Minutes from May 24, 2007. M/s Bonander, Keen to approve JPA Board Meeting Minutes from May 24, 2007. The motion passed with Ayes from all members, except Linda Kelly, who abstained.

Charles McGlashan requested that the item order be changed to address Zero Waste Planning first.

2. Zero Waste Planning. Staff discussed the 6.1 and 6.2 programs (special programs as HHW) and the need to follow AB 939. Executive Committee suggests staff put together an RFP. Supervisor McGlashan stated that he supports zero waste and recommends an RFI first, then proceeding with an RFP to force contractors to be more articulate about their zero waste planning process. Bonander questioned if any other counties are doing zero waste, and stated that if the JPA intends to further its scope beyond the goals of AB939 there should be more discussions involving all JPA member jurisdictions. Staff responded that they have reviewed other ordinances that neighboring municipalities have adopted and a major issue is that the JPA does not have any enforcement authority.

Zero Waste Advisory Committee representatives commented the need for more information is crucial and a RFP and RFI are not needed; the JPA needs to spend $100,000 to hire a professional manager.
M/s Bonander, Rodericks to directing staff to develop a RFI and present it to the Executive Committee in January. Motion was unanimously approved.

3. **JPA AB 939 Local Task Force Appointment.** Staff reported that there is a LTF vacancy for an environmental representative. The Executive Committee recommended expanding the LTF to include 3 environmental positions and create a sub committee of the full JPA Board to select candidates. The board discussed the reasons why the Executive Committee did not make the appointments. Jean Bonander recommended having the Executive Committee select representatives at their next meeting.

The Green Coalition commented they were happy but not satisfied with the appointment of three environmental LTF members and requested there be four members to match the number of waste industry representatives.

M/s Bonander, Kelly to authorize the Executive Committee to conduct interviews and select 3 environmental representatives for the Local Task Force. Motion was unanimously approved.

4. **Single Use Bag Elimination.** Staff reported that the JPA has handed out 5,000 reusable cotton bags to the community along with educational materials and has given bags to each member jurisdiction. The program has been very well accepted by the public. Supervisor McGlashan was happy that there was public outreach and supported developing the cultural change within the community. He noted the problems concerning plastic bags and other plastic products and stated that he wants to create model ordinance and work with Oakland to develop an EIR for the elimination of plastic bag use.

A member of the Green Coalition suggested creating a brand for zero waste in Marin County to further environmental efforts, which should be used on bags. Further, promoting reuse and creating a cultural change away from all single use items by encouraging instead of banning. Jon Elam, of the Local Task Force, thanked the JPA for sponsoring reusable bags, which they use at community events.

Supervisor McGlashan discussed how the reusable bag program connects with the California Product Stewardship Council, EPR and companies taking responsibility for their products. The 2008 Legislative cycle could see the adoption of product take back legislation.

Board members discussed examining “branding” as part of a zero waste study.

5. **2007 Draft Five Year Report.** Staff presented the draft five year Integrated Waste Management Plan Review Report that was recommended for approval by the Local Task Force and Executive Committee. Question arose regarding the estimated closure date of the landfill. The Local Enforcement Agency makes that estimate, which is currently set at 2024. Debbie Stutsman asked to have staff summarize the report. Staff described the different sections and determinations of the report.
A member of No Wetlands Landfill questioned the landfill capacity, the accuracy of the report, sited examples of capacity and fill rate from the report, and suggested that the plan need to be amended to focus on source reduction.

Members of the public commented on Marin's increase in waste stream tonnage and questioned what amount of change, the problem with the Landfill accepting out-of-county waste and energy and materials.

Staff reported as of October 2007 Phil Smith, Local Enforcement Agency Chief, determined the earliest possible closure date of Redwood to be 2024. Additionally, there is a limit on how much waste is accepted daily at the landfill and that out of county waste will not accelerate the closure date of the landfill.

Supervisor McGlashan asked if the report actually will reflect the intent of the board or if it is just filling a State requirement annual change and validity of report.

Dan Keen stated that change in estimates can be addressed in annual report and that the review report should be submitted to be in compliance with AB 939. Bonander agreed that primary task is to be in compliance with AB 939.

M/s Bonander, Keen to approve 5 year draft review report and submit the report to the State. Gary Broad questioned the fines related to AB 939 Compliance. Gary Broad and Ken Nordhoff would like to see LEA at a future meeting to discuss capacity. There was discussion to include more information on closure date, which was agreed to be presented as a separate motion. Motion was passed with Ayes from all members except Kelly.

M/s Broad, Curran to take into consideration issues regarding the landfill termination date and issues arisen in the Five Year IWMP Report process when submitting the annual report making sure the data is consistent. Motion was unanimously approved.

6. **Chair and Vice Chair Appointments.** Staff reported on the composition of the JPA and that the Executive Committee recommended reappointing Stutsman as Chair and Rodericks Vice Chair. M/s Bonander, Nordhoff to re-elect the current Chair and Vice Chair. Motion was unanimously approved.

7. **Household Hazardous Waste Grant Budget Adjustments.** Staff reported that the JPA received a $300,000 infrastructure grant for Household Hazardous Waste Facility improvement and a $7,000 Household Hazardous Waste Coordination Grant for Universal Waste outreach. Staff requested the board approve the appropriate budget adjustments to accept the grants. M/s Nordhoff, Bonander to approve the budget adjustments to accept the grant funds. Motion was unanimously approved.

8. **Novato Household Hazardous Waste Grant.** Staff reported that this is the fifth year of the grant to Novato Sanitary District which is based on the portion of the tipping fee for Novato self haul material. M/s Keen, Kelly. Motion was unanimously approved.
9. **Open Time.** Bruce Baum stated that the JPA agreement needs to be amended to show the Landfill Operator as one of the positions and the JPA should be made up of elected officials. There were no further comments.

10. **Adjourn.**
Date: March 27, 2008

To: JPA Board Members

From: Michael Frost

Re: AB939 Local Task Force Environmental Member Appointments

At the November 1, 2007 JPA Board Meeting your Board directed the Executive Committee to form an interview panel to select three environmental representatives to fill one vacant and two newly created environmental positions on the AB 939 Local Task Force. The additional positions were created to strengthen the voice of the environmental community in this advisory group.

On March 5, 2008 a panel consisting of Dan Keen, George Rodericks, and Michael Rock interviewed six qualified nominees from various Marin environmental organizations. To fill the three positions the interview committee selected:

Trip Allen - Sierra Club, Environmental Forum, Green Coalition
Tamara Hull – Sustainable San Rafael
David Haskell – Sierra Club, Green Coalition

The JPA Board must review the selections and appoint the nominees to their positions on the AB 939 Local Task Force. Confirming these nominations will allow the individuals to participate as part of the Local Task Force beginning at their April 2, 2008 meeting.

Staff requests your Board approve the nominations and appoint the selected individuals to the AB 939 Local Task Force.