

Present: Sammie Baratta, Ken Orashan, Annmarie Jensen, Dan Matsch, Anne Peters, Deb Barton, Gary Cruson.

CAFR Administrative Assistant Amy Randell was also present.

Action Items denoted by ☐

1. Regulatory Update

Annmarie Jensen reviewed the progress of the Comprehensive Recycling Bill that will be introduced to legislature next year. It will involve a tipping fee surcharge, the value has not yet been determined. A portion of the surcharge would go to the Hazardous Substance Response Fund, the state's share of Superfund. The other portion would go to a recycling grant program and grants would be reviewed by an Integrated Waste Management Commission. Private entities, nonprofits, etc. would have to apply in partnership with local governments to add credibility to and ensure community approval of proposed grants. The funds could be used for a variety of purposes, from building infrastructure to improving other recycling features. A draft of the bill could be ready by the first week of November.

E-waste will need to be defined, either in broad or more definitive terms. The definition of e-waste for distributing money, as in the current Comprehensive Recycling Bill grant opportunity, could differ from the definition of e-waste for regulatory purposes.

☐ **Dan Matsch will send Annmarie Jensen samples of e-waste definitions used by the State of Washington and other programs.** Dan recommended that we dovetail with other programs currently working on legislation to reduce opposition to our own bill.

☐ **Sammie Baratta will send Annmarie Jensen citations for e-waste definitions in Colorado's universal waste regulations and the results of ERRC member survey of e-waste definition.**

Council discussed the problems for rural communities involved with implementing an electronics ban, supposed lack of infrastructure, and resistance to a ban if funding is not also provided.

☐ **Dan Matsch will send Annmarie Jensen information about Washington's plan for dealing with cities with populations of less than 10,000.**

Council discussed including representatives from the electronics manufacturing industry in future discussions, noting that Fred Shannon of HP has been the only representative involved so far. ☐ **Annmarie Jensen will try to line up individuals from HP or Dell or possibly Apple or IBM for future policy meetings.**

Annmarie Jensen said that the Comprehensive Recycling Act would not be introduced to the legislature until after January 10; ideally a draft of the Act would be completed before

Christmas. A stakeholder meeting will be held after the statewide elections November 7, date to be determined.

Council discussed the possibility of applying for the Technology Advancement Grant to study the effect of an electronics ban, what infrastructure would be required, outlets for recycled material in the state, etc. ERRRC could involve either Anne Peters or Laurie Batchelder Adams to both write the grant and complete the study. Annmarie suggested arranging a meeting with Alice Madden, D-Boulder and House Majority Leader, who sponsored a previous recycling pilot program to discuss e-waste options. The meeting would have to take place for the next legislative session if e-waste is addressed in 2007.

☐ Sammie Baratta will solicit ERRRC members to participate in interim meeting about applying for the Technology Advancement Grant; CAFR would serve as the umbrella organization—Sammie will ask for approval from the CAFR Board.

2. Approval of September 21 meeting minutes

Dan Matsch motioned to approve the minutes from the September 21 meeting. Deb Barton seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

3. E-waste Conference

Sammie Baratta reported that Mike Wright, GRX, met with Basal Action Network members and reviewed the national certification process, which was well received.

Dag Adamson spoke with a representative from Dlubak (glass processing company) who indicated that Dlubak would be interested in collecting leaded glass from Colorado if it was possible to aggregate the glass, creating more favorable terms for collection. Dauback washes the glass domestically then sends it to Philips or Samsung. Council discussed making the arrangement a benefit of being an ERRRC member, working as a COOP, and how the arrangement could reduce costs.

Dan Matsch said he thought the e-waste conference was a great way to find out what all of the states are doing and that it offered opportunities for collaboration. The states are taking the lead, there is little going on at the national level. Dan also attended the BAN meeting and said discussions focused on who would be the certifying body, who would conduct the audits, how to keep costs down, etc.—everyone seemed to be on board.

NEXT MEETING: November 16, 10:00am to 11:15am.