

City of Amarillo
Environmental Task Force

On the 7th day of December, 2017, the Environmental Task Force met at 6:00 p.m. on the Third Floor, Conference Room 306 at Amarillo City Hall, 509 S.E. 7th Ave., with the following members present:

MEMBERS	PRESENT	NO. MEETINGS HELD	NO. MEETINGS ATTENDED
Charlie Graham	N	11	4
Taylor Finley – Resigned 8/22/17	N	10	4
Tom Johnson	Y	11	10
Chris Gulley	N	10	5
Mindy Odom	Y	11	8
Cole Camp	Y	11	11
John Kiehl	N	11	9
EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS/STAFF			
David Lehfeldt	N	11	9

The following guests were also present:

Courtney White - Assistant City Attorney
Stacy Krizan – Admin. Assistant Solid Waste
John Fiel – Assistant Solid Waste Superintendent

1. Call to Order.

The meeting was called to order at 6:09 p.m. and the following items of business were conducted:

2. Consider and Approve Minutes of Regular Meeting Held on October 19, 2018.

Motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Odom, motion passed with a 3-0 vote.

3. Discuss Improvements to City Recycling Sites.

Mr. Fiel led a discussion informing the Task Force that the City has reduced the items it accepts for recycling to aluminum, tin, used oil & oil filters. Other items are not accepted due to the costs incurred to sort & transport these items for recycling. Recycling of the accepted items will cut down on illegal dumping.

Part of the discussion was the location & appearance of some of the Recycling locations. The Task Force discussed the positive aesthetics of the 26th Ave. site.

A concrete barrier to control oil spills was suggested for each site.

*A member suggested a sole purpose meeting to further discuss this agenda item and requested a map of City-owned property and current recycling sites.

4. Discuss Future Recyclables - Long Term Recycling.

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The Task Force has a desire to see cardboard & paper be added as future acceptable items for recycling. This agenda item was tabled for discussion at a later meeting.

5. Receive Update on New Website.

This agenda item was tabled for discussion at a later meeting.

6. Discuss Recycling Fuels.

The Task Force discussed the public's decreased need to recycle fuels now that fewer citizens change their own automobile oil.

7. Presentation and Approval of Status Report to City Council.

Mr. Camp presented a draft of a status report to be submitted to City Council. Mr. Johnson proposed several revisions. Mr. Johnson moved to approve the status report as amended; seconded by Ms. Odom; motion passed with a 3-0 vote.

8. Public Comments.

There were no public comments.

9. Set Agenda for Next Meeting.

The following items were suggested for discussion at the next meeting of the Task Force:

- Recommendations to City Council: Revamping Recycling Sites
- Long Term Recycling and Public Education Campaign
- Invite IT - Information Services Director – Rich Gagnon
- UPDATE FROM STAFF:
 - a. Tire Ordinance
 - b. Composting
 - c. Dumpster Stickers

10. Announcement – Next Meeting Date.

The Task Force will next meet on January 18, 2018 at 6pm in Room 306, City Hall.

11. Adjourn

With no other business to be conducted the meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.