

Solid Waste Task Force Meeting Summary- July 31, 2013

Members Present: Stephen Deleski, Jason Dougherty, Charly Leuze, Tim Johnson, Tom Amberg, Joline Hovland, Don Williamson, Linda Mathiasen, Bruce Peterson-Director Planning and Development Services, Megan DeSchepper- Planner/Airport Manager.

- Staff reviewed the existing Municipal Code and Zoning Ordinance regulations regarding garbage storage, pick-up, and enforcement/violation processes.
- The Task Force talked generally about garbage issues in the community they were as follows:
 1. Police powers in garbage dumping on public/private property and if it's in a can or not. CSO ticketing ability for garbage/litter violations.
 2. Overflow or non-payment issues. Lids, dumpster sizes, bagging practices, frequency of pick up based off of the use (business vs. residential).
 3. Historical practices of garbage storage downtown.
 4. Leasing garbage storage space downtown to businesses that have no exterior space in which to store a garbage receptacle.
 5. Oil storage and butcher waste storage.
 6. County Licensing practices, Ag and Department of Health, USDA standards and licensure.
 7. Enforcement process, fines, court actions, and drawn out legal process.
- The key issues identified for the task force to focus on were:
 - A. No onsite storage for garbage receptacle. Leasing of garbage space.
 - B. Fly tight lids, and keeping the lids down.
 - C. Frequency of pick up based off of the type use of the property (restaurants, grocery stores, butcher shops).
 - D. Enforcement, fines, not going through drawn out court process.
- Task force will come to the next meeting with ideas for amendments to the existing regulations. Staff will e-mail out other communities solid waste ordinances for task force review as well as contact the County Sanitarian to better understand the license requirements etc. for restaurants and grocery stores etc. The next task force meeting will be August 14, 2013 at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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