

Juneau Commission on Sustainability (JCOS)
Solid Waste Subcommittee, joined by Outreach Subcommittee
Tuesday, September 19, 2023, 12:00 p.m. (Noon) Zoom

- 1. Call to Order**
12:05p.m.
- 2. Land Acknowledgement**
- 3. Roll Call**
Solid Waste Subcommittee: Nick Waldo (chair), Marian Call, Jessie Barker
Outreach Subcommittee: Marian Call (chair), Jessie Barker
CBJ: Denise Koch
A quorum was present
- 4. Approval of Agenda**
Approved
- 5. Approval of Minutes**
Approved
- 6. Public Participation**
Brandi Tolsma (Tlingit & Haida), Cer Scott (Tlingit & Haida)
- 7. Agenda Topics**

a. Sustainability Session

Suggested presenters at the planned session in early November:

- Lisa Dougherty of Juneau Composts
- Dani from [Sunny Slope Organic Farm](#)
 - 907-723-6353
 - sunnyslopeorganicfarm@hotmail.com
- Someone from Tlingit & Haida
 - Cer: cscott@tingitandhaida.gov
 - Brandi: btolsma@tingitandhaida.gov
 - Raymond Paddock: rpaddock@tingitandhaida.gov
 - Amy Erfling: aerfling@tingitandhaida.gov
- Dianna Robinson, CBJ

Decided not to ask Waste Management or DEC for this session.

Likely dates are Nov 2 and 7:

- Confirm with Theater Alaska when they are likely to use the Valley library conference room
- Marian to confirm dates with participants and [book library room](#) for 1.5h
- Marian has promo checklist and can work through this once we've confirmed speakers
- To reduce load on CBJ resources we can follow a similar format to what we did for the recent JCOS hybrid meeting in the downtown library.

b. Website

Consider what materials could we post on the [JCOS website](#) around the sustainability session: part of this could be what guests want to know during the session. Denise is making updates to the website: what could we put on the rotating banner? On the [recycling & solid waste tab](#), following the format of other tabs? Can we revive some of the talking trash content? Bring ideas to next meeting.

c. Recommendation to Assembly

Last year JCOS' letter was in early December. We'll need a couple of bullet points. This can be an agenda item for October 17. Promising topics: new landfill site, industrial waste. Nick to email Gretchen to get on agenda for October 4 JCOS meeting to discuss how many bullet points to send.

8. Information Items

Composting - Didn't receive the \$4 million SWIFR grant; it's very competitive. We are still using the congressionally directed spending from Murkowski (\$2.5m).

Update from Tlingit & Haida: they have a USDA grant for a 2-year project to reduce their organizational input to landfill. It's early stages but they are happy to share. They're housing an in-vessel composter at their building in the valley, which will take waste from all their facilities and potentially from other organizations in the future.

9. Committee/Liaison Comments and Questions

None

10. Next Meetings

October 17, 2023, November 14, 2023 (third Tues of the month but November earlier due to holidays).

11. Adjournment

12:59p.m.

Minutes submitted by Jessie Barker.