

City of Amarillo
Environmental Task Force

On August 18, 2022, the Environmental Task Force (Task Force) met at the Simms Municipal Building, Room 203 at 12:00 P.M., with the following members present:

MEMBERS	PRESENT	NO. MEETINGS HELD	NO. MEETINGS ATTENDED
Tim Dillon	Y	17	17
Dan Ferguson	Y	5	3
Roger Gloe	Y	22	19
David Moody	Y	17	17
Adam Schaer	Y	17	6
Howard Smith	Y	30	27
EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS/STAFF			
Donny Hooper	N		

The following guests were also present:

Alan Harder, Assistant Director of Public Works
Julie Herman, Program Coordinator of Public Works
Courtney White, Assistant City Attorney

The meeting was called to order at 12:07 PM by David Moody, Chairman. The following items of business were conducted:

1. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no members of the public present.

2. **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JUNE 16, 2022**

A motion to approve the June 16, 2022 minutes as written was made by Adam Schaer and seconded by Roger Gloe. The motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

3. **DISCUSS OR RECEIVE REPORTS ON THE FOLLOWING CURRENT MATTERS OR PROJECTS:**

- a. **Proper Disposal of Yard Waste** – Alan Harder stated the video was posted on Facebook on August 10, 2022 and Solid Waste continues conversations with residents regarding recycling and being more environmentally friendly. A report will be provided to task force members on changes to the amount of waste being processed. Task force members believe more composting sites may be needed.
- c. **Cardboard Recycling Program** – Adam Schaer reported on the 100,000 lbs. of cardboard recycled this year and the proposal to move cardboard recycling dumpsters to 5 new locations on City property. The relocation was a recommendation of the City’s Blue Ribbon Team. Communications will inform the public when the dumpster relocation is approved. Also discussed painting dumpsters yellow and using vinyl City logos.
- d. **Autumn Leaf Disposal** – Alan Harder will coordinate with Donny Hooper and Communications to create an informational task force video encouraging residents to mulch leaves and keep them out of the waste stream. Commercial landscape vacuum trailers receiving a discount for composting leaves was discussed.

5. **SET DATE AND AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING**

The Task Force set the next meeting for Thursday, October 20, 2022, from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM. Public Works staff will provide updates on the impact of the yard waste video and the status of composting at the landfill. The autumn leaf disposal video will also be discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:44 PM.