A regular meeting of the Solid Waste Licensing Committee was held on Thursday, May 25, 2017, at 10:30 a.m., in Room 1E09 of the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality Headquarters, 5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, Arkansas.

The meeting was called to order by Phillip Davis, Chairman. Members present included Phillip Davis, Angela Sparks, Rosemary Rogers, Neal Washburn, Randy Harper, Ken Nutt, Susan Speake and Jane Schwartz. Gussie Robinson, Warren Atkins, William Wright, and Bill Burrough were absent.

Randy Harper made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 23, 2017 meeting. Angela Sparks seconded the motion. The minutes from the prior meeting were approved.

Susan Speake reported that Jane Schwartz had issued 139 Solid Waste Licenses and 29 Illegal Dump Control Officer Certifications. Susan also stated that Jane Schwartz had mailed out 728 Solid Waste Operator Renewal forms, and 29 IDCO’s for the next year.

She followed up by saying that Office of Land Resources now has someone on staff to assist with bilingual testing when requested. Susan also reported that the Solid Waste Landfill disposal fee per ton will be $2.50 per ton beginning July 1, 2017.

Randy Harper gave the Academy report stating that, under the direction of the Chancellor, the Work Business Industry work force training had been moved to his training educational program. At this time, they are working on the transfer and evaluating staff that needs to be hired for the operation of the program as well as classes. He also added that the OSHA classes they are now operating will work well with these classes.

Ken Nutt gave his training report from the Academy. From January 1, 2017 to March 31, 2017, there were 306 contacts and 353 enrolled at 26 locations. From July 1, 2016 to May 31, 2017, there were 877 contacts and 771 enrolled at 69 locations. From January 1, 2017 to May 31, 2017, there were 480 contacts and 506 enrolled at 40 locations.
Angela Sparks stated that the training manuals used by instructors for the Arkansas Environmental Training Academy will need updating after the new tire regulations have been written and adopted.

The next meeting date was set for August 24th, Thursday at 10:30 a.m. at ADEQ.

With no further business, a motion was made to adjourn by Randy Harper, and seconded by Rosemary Rogers. The meeting was adjourned

Phillip Davis, Chairman