

**RESOLUTION HOLDING PUBLIC HEARING ON UPDATES TO THE ASHTABULA COUNTY'S SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

WHEREAS, Ashtabula County has revised its Solid Waste Management Plan under which the District currently operates; and

WHEREAS, It is a requirement of the update of said Solid Waste Plan that a public hearing be conducted to provide information to the public and to gather input from the public concerning the Plan; and

WHEREAS, Jake Brand, Ashtabula County Department of Planning and Development, explained the following:

The Ashtabula County Solid Waste Management District is establishing a 30-day written comment period (December 19th, 2023 – January 18th, 2024) on the draft Solid Waste Management Plan Update (Plan) (Ohio Revised Code Section 3734.54). The District prepared the draft Plan Update as required by Section 3734.54 of the Ohio Revised Code.

The draft Plan Update includes a budget and fees to finance the 2024 Plan, a solid waste facility inventory, projections and strategies, facilities and programs to be used, an analysis of the progress made toward achieving state solid waste reduction goals, and District rules. The 2024 Plan is an update to a previously approved solid waste plan. The 2024 Plan details existing programs including: Curbside Recycling; Drop-Off Recycling; Yard Waste Management; Household Hazardous Waste Education and Outreach; Lead-Acid Battery Management; Scrap Tire Management; County Office Building and School Recycling; Industrial Technical Assistance; Education, Advertising, Promotion, and Presentations; Scrap Tire, and Community Clean-Up; Curbside Recycling Launch Grant; Community Clean-up Grant; Start-up Recycling Assistance For Public and Private Parks; Grant Application Assistance; Grant Program; Health Department Funding (Annual Reports); Market Development Program; Data Collection Efforts; Ashtabula City Transfer Station.

The 2024 Plan includes a demonstration of access to landfill capacity demonstrating more than fifteen years of landfill capacity available to the District. Based on the landfills used to manage waste generated in the District during the 2021 reference year for the planning period, landfills had an average life expectancy of 52 years. Under this plan, the Board of Commissioners is authorized to designate facilities in accordance with Section 343.014, 343.014 and 343.015 of the Ohio Revised Code.

The District does not currently have facility designations that can accept solid waste generated within the District unless a waiver is granted by the Board of County Commissioners of the District. The 2024 Plan does not have any existing rules and is not proposing to create any new rules. The 2024 Plan complies with State Plan Goal #1: Providing Access to Waste Reduction Opportunities. The District will continue to provide access to recycling and waste minimization opportunities for municipal solid waste to its residents and businesses.

The District currently partially funds plan programs and current operations through disposal fees collected on each ton of solid waste disposed of in landfills located in the District. The District also collects rates and charges fees of \$5.00 for each improved parcel within the District; and

WHEREAS, there were no members of the public in attendance at the public hearing; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of Ashtabula County, Ohio, there being no further comments offered, the public hearing on the Ashtabula County Solid Waste Management Plan be and the same is hereby adjourned.

**ASHTABULA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
CERTIFICATION PAGE**

**Resolution No. 2024-3SW**

**January 23, 2024**

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**Upon the motion of J.P. Ducro IV, seconded by Casey R. Kozlowski.**

**VOTE:**

**Kathryn L. Whittington**

**Aye**

**J.P. Ducro IV**

**Aye**

**Casey R. Kozlowski**

**Aye**

**CERTIFICATE OF CLERK**

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon and duly passed by the Board of County Commissioners of Ashtabula County, Ohio, on the date noted above.



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Lisa Hawkins, Clerk of the Board  
Board of County Commissioners  
Ashtabula County, Ohio