

Minutes - Common Ground Committee

September 20, 2016

The Wallace Farm Common Ground Committee Meeting was held on September 20, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Wallace Farm office.

A total of five (5) people were in attendance:

Joe Taborek
Marina Riggio
Charles Dial
Michelle Wallace
Eric Wallace

Eric opened the meeting by discussing attendance. Attendance has declined possibly due to lack of current issues. The group agreed that quarterly meetings is still a good idea. It is also a requirement of the permit conditions.

The group felt that a better reporting system would be worth investigating. Ideas suggested include an app or a form on the WF web page. Charles Dial felt like people currently have every opportunity using traditional methods to report situations that are deemed problematic. Another idea was to send an email to all the HOAs providing them with an updated contact list. The group agreed that this is a great plan to begin as soon as possible. *Michelle will update the contact list.*

There has been very few complaints since our last meeting. The Wallace Farm staff have been doing great with managing the materials. With the fall coming, expect order complaints to increase due to inversion conditions. The odors we have now are from the windrows being dry. The group agreed we desperately need rain. When compost rows are too dry, the microbes become dormant.

Berm update – the purpose is to beautify the entrance. A landscaping company is coming Friday to provide options. Second to the berm facelift is to improve the signage and landscaping at the circle entrance.

Operationally, WF is operating as usual. We have two big jobs that are creating more truck traffic.

Eric gave an update on the Davie County facility. Retail sales begin October 1, 2016.

Eric reviewed the Importance of Composting. There was a discussion about the potential future of food-waste and composting with the recently announced goal of reducing food waste by 50% by 2030. *Michelle will send the 2 documents discussed as well as web links to the new EPA goal.*

Community Feedback

1. Joe will be moving soon. This will most likely be the last meeting he will attend. He has not heard of anyone talking about odors.
2. Marina has not heard of anyone talking of odors. When she does hear anything, it is in passing.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm.