

West Silver Valley Citizens Advisory Committee

The West Silver Valley Citizens Advisory Committee previously met on August 18, 2016 at the Panhandle Health Office, Kellogg, Idaho.

September 15, 2016
Pinehurst City Hall, Pinehurst Idaho

1. Introductions – In attendance were 3 residents; Karen Maravilla, Brian Nansel, and John Rubert. DEQ staff included Ralph Paul and Dan Smith.

2. Committee Business:

New Business – Ralph Paul met with the County Commissioners and City Officials to provide them with an update for the Roll Forward Modeling. Ralph reported the finalization is close to completion for that project.

The Preliminary Modeling Results have determined there must be 35 wood stove change outs in Pinehurst by December 31, 2017.

Old Business – Dan Smith reported there were over 70 names on the list for the wood stove change outs. He says he's had a great response from the few articles in the local newspaper and feels it's been super effective for getting the word out about the program. Dan also stated he continues to meet with local citizens, realtors, and other community members in order to continue to gather names for the list.

3. Action items:

Messaging – Brian Nansel suggested the committee set up a Facebook Feed in order to advertise the program further and to reach specific groups within the targeted area. Dan Smith and Karen Maravilla will work on setting up the Facebook Feed.

4. Topic Discussion:

Yard Waste Collection/Dry Wood Program – DEQ will be purchasing a chipper / shredder, capable of handling up to 8" limbs.

Dan Smith reported he is working on providing a seminar to educate our local representatives from each municipality on the advantages of eliminating yard waste by composting it instead. He will provide further information as the components come together.

The program has funding to provide energy logs and dry fire wood to local citizens within the targeted area. DEQ hopes our local Community Action Program can distribute those items to households who qualify for energy assistance through the CAP agency.

5. Next meeting – October 20, 2016 from 6-7pm at Panhandle Health Office, Kellogg ID

Meeting adjourned.