

RESOLUTION NO. 126-07

The Board of Logan County Commissioners met in regular open session on this date of March 8, 2007 with the full board present.

John Bayliss moved that the following resolution be adopted:

ADOPTION OF ZERO WASTE PHILOSOPHY ADOPTING "ZERO WASTE BY 2020" AS A COUNTY GOAL DECLARING LOGAN COUNTY TO BE A "ZERO WASTE ZONE".

WHEREAS each day tons and tons of valuable resources are sent to landfills across Ohio, resources that could economically and reasonably be recovered and recycled saving millions of dollars in material costs and saving additional millions of dollars by avoiding the use of oil based energy to smelt and use virgin resources;

AND WHEREAS landfill space itself is a limited resource that needs to be appropriately used to dispose of those few materials that cannot be reused or recycled;

AND WHEREAS the growth in populations, industrialization, and consumer demand now requires the wise and efficient use of all natural resources, and it is incumbent on states, industries, political and social leaders at every level to initiate programs and initiatives to address this issue;

AND WHEREAS countries, states, and cities are now planning and implementing ways to deal with product design, product distribution, and product recycling by adopting the philosophy of Zero Waste which focuses on designing products and services to use the fewest natural resources and least energy to produce, and where the end of product life leads to reuse, recycling, or composting back to nature;

AND WHEREAS Honda of America Manufacturing Company, and Honda Transmission Manufacturing have taken the industrial lead in Logan and surrounding counties by adopting a 'Green Factory' initiative with the goal of 'Zero Waste to the Landfill by 2010';

AND WHEREAS the Board of Logan County Commissioners supports the concept of Zero Waste, endorsing both 'back end' or 'downstream' solutions that maximize reuse and recycling aimed at recapturing valuable resources and waste minimization, and 'front end' or 'upstream' solutions requiring industrial product design and environmentally sensitive methods for delivering goods and services along with consumer education that maximizes the use recycled resources, and minimizes the use of difficult to recycle packaging and toxic materials so that each product or service "end of life" leads to further reuse, repair, recycling, or composting;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Logan County Commissioners adopts the philosophy of Zero Waste and adopts the goal of promoting every business, organization, and citizen to adopt and work toward Zero Waste in Logan County by 2020 and declares Logan County, Ohio to be a Zero Waste Zone.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Logan County Solid Waste District is charged with the responsibility on behalf of the County to plan, educate, promote, encourage, provide information and available resources and incentives and partner with constituents to assure that Logan County will reach its Zero Waste Goal by 2020.

Mr. Jack Reser seconded the motion.

Roll Cal resulted as follows:

Mr. Jack Reser, yes

Mr. David Knight, yes

Mr. John Bayliss, yes

I, Kacy D. Kirby, Clerk/Administrator, hereby certify this to be a true copy of the proceedings as taken from the minutes of the meeting of the Logan County Commissioners on this date of March 8, 2007.