5:00 pm Call to Order

1. Regular Business – Joseph Ringold, Co-Chair
   - Meeting notes approved – January 8, 2014
   - Report on outstanding items from January – none
   - Chair report – none

2. All compostable food ware in quick-serve restaurants ordinance – Dick Lilly, SPU
   - See PowerPoint
   - SPU cannot achieve zero waste until we divert all food and packaging from restaurants into the composting stream
   - The original ordinance was written in 2007, when only 70 products were available, so we said packaging could be compostable or recyclable
   - There is still a lot of plastic being used which results in cross contamination (both ways) between recycling and composting
   - The proposed ordinance will state that all dine-in service must be compostable; food courts are considered dine-in
   - Ordinance will go up to council sometime in second quarter
   - SPU will do direct mailings, stakeholder meetings and additional outreach
   - In grocery stores, this regulation will only apply to things packaged within the grocery store; pre-packaged items are not regulated
   - SPU is working to make compostable and recyclable easily identifiable to reduce cross-contamination
   - Plastic bag ban will not be extended to produce bags because there is not an alternative at this time
3. **Compostable Food Ware Logo** – Dick Lilly, SPU
   - SPU is working on a logo to identify compostable products; this logo will be free to use and anyone can use it once their product passes testing
   - To use the SPU label, the product must be tested at Cedar Grove and match Cedar Grove’s standards
   - Cedar Grove currently has a logo, but they charge a royalty fee to use it
   - A recognizable logo is important when you are about to dump your food tray and also so people at the tipping floor can identify them as well

4. **Director’s Update** – Tim Croll, Solid Waste Division Director
   - Highlights for 2014:
     - New south transfer done
     - Old south transfer – looking at options to use once north transfer is done
     - Construction starting at north transfer within weeks
     - North transfer done in first quarter of 2016
     - A portion of the old Kent Highlands landfill site is sold and closes in April
     - Looking at billing outsourcing – will there be cost savings?
     - Rate path and spending plan comparisons – SW rate increase is close to inflation
     - Outreach meetings are taking place to discuss this with the public and get their feedback
   - 2014 Workplan is posted on the website and is located at: [http://www.seattle.gov/util/groups/public/@spu/@diroff/documents/webcontent/01_028918.pdf](http://www.seattle.gov/util/groups/public/@spu/@diroff/documents/webcontent/01_028918.pdf)

5. **Team Building** – Vicky Beaumont, Policy Liaison

6. **Announcements** – Vicky Beaumont, Policy Liaison
   - Starting in March the meetings will start at 5:30pm
   - Training announcement regarding sustainable packaging
   - February 26 is the first special meeting on Climate Change from 5:15 to 7:30pm

**Wrap Up:**

7. **Review**: Joseph Ringold, Co-Chair
   a) **Recommendations:**
   b) **Action Items:**
      - Schedule officer vote for April 2014
   c) **Next meeting**: March 5, 2014 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm

6:59 PM - Meeting adjourned